

Big Idea: *First Samuel chapter 16 is a turning point. Saul is still king, but has been rejected, and Samuel mourns for this. David, the future king, is introduced. David is God's unexpected choice for king, for "God looks on the heart" rather than outward appearance. God's Spirit comes upon David, and is no longer on Saul, rather Saul is tormented. This gives occasion for the young David to go serve in Saul's palace. God's sovereign hand is orchestrating these events (i.e. the calling of David and rejection of Saul) with a longer goal in mind: establishing the Davidic lineage leading to the promised Messiah.*

I. Introduction

What (or who) are the books of 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel about?

Review: why was Saul rejected?

1 Sam. 15:22-23, 13:14

II. The Anointing of David

a. Samuel Mourns, then Goes

1 Sam. 16:1-5

Does Samuel lie by saying he's going for the purpose of sacrifice?

b. God Looks at the Heart

1 Sam. 16:6-10

In what ways did Jesus talk about the heart?

Matt. 23:25-28

c. God's Call

1 Sam. 16:11-13

Does God call those who are qualified?

III. David in Saul's Service

1 Sam. 16:14-23

a. Saul's Tormenting Spirit

1 Sam 16:14-1

What was the purpose of this "troubling spirit?"

Why do we get so much backstory to David?

IV. Conclusion

What was the significance of Gilgal? How is it a turning point?

How or in what manner should we look to our past?