

1 SAMUEL

HEAVY IS THE HEAD THAT WEARS THE CROWN

Trust in the Lord

Scripture reference – 1 Samuel 8-10

Proverbs 3 v5-6

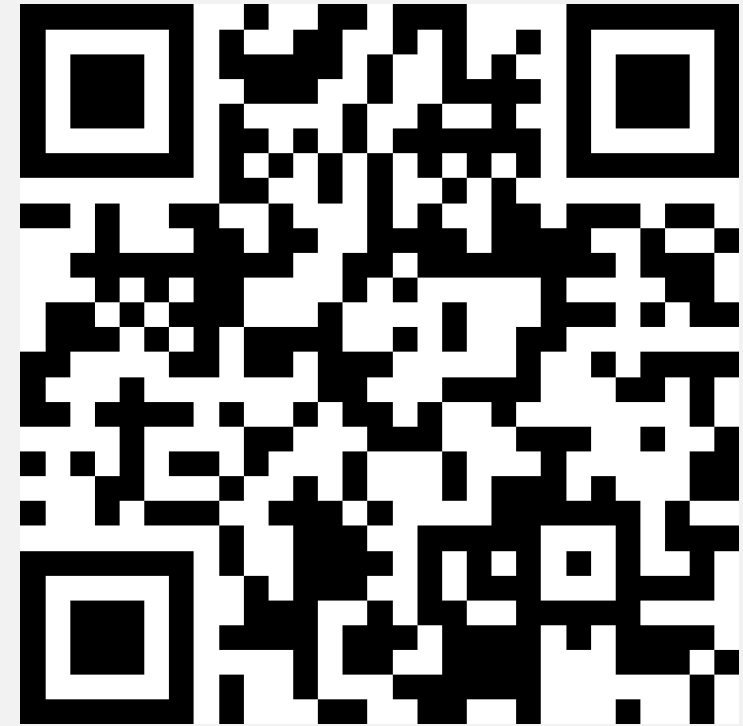
⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
⁶ in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.

How much do you trust God?

5 = Plenty

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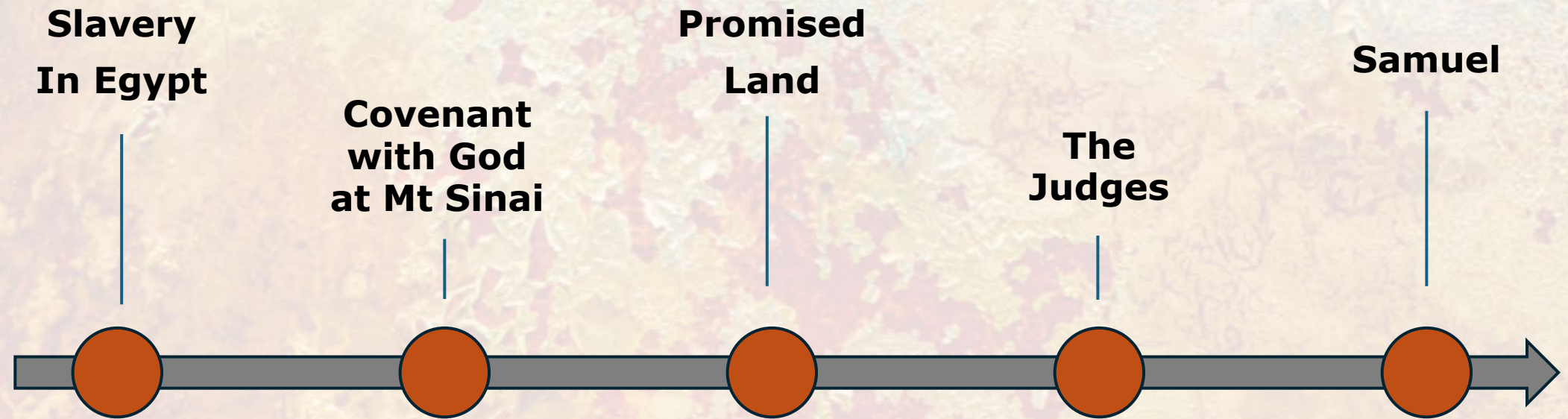
1 = Not at all



Vote



Israelite Timeline



1 Samuel 8

¹ When Samuel grew old, he appointed his sons as Israel's leaders.

² The name of his firstborn was Joel and the name of his second was Abijah, and they served at Beersheba.

³ But **his sons did not follow his ways**. They turned aside after dishonest gain and accepted bribes and perverted justice.

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⁴ So all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah.

⁵ They said to him, "You are old, and your sons do not follow your ways; now **appoint a king to lead us**, such as **all the other nations have.**"

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⁶ But when they said, “**Give us a king** to lead us,” this **displeased Samuel**; so he prayed to the LORD.

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⁷ And the LORD told him: "Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but **they have rejected me** as their king.

⁸ As they have done from the day I brought them up out of Egypt until this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are doing to you.





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⁹ Now listen to them; but warn them solemnly and **let them know** what the king who will reign over them will claim as his rights.”

¹⁰ Samuel told all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king.

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¹¹ He said, “This is what the king who will reign over you will claim as his rights: He will **take** your sons and make them serve with his chariots and horses, and they will run in front of his chariots. ¹² Some he will assign to be commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and others to plough his ground and reap his harvest, and still others to make weapons of war and equipment for his chariots. ¹³He will **take** your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers.

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¹⁴ He will **take** the best of your fields and vineyards and olive groves and give them to his attendants. ¹⁵ He will **take** a tenth of your grain and of your vintage and give it to his officials and attendants. ¹⁶ Your male and female servants and the best of your cattle and donkeys he will **take** for his own use. ¹⁷ He will **take** a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his slaves.

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18 When that day comes, you will cry out for relief from the king you have chosen, but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

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¹⁹ But the people refused to listen to Samuel. “No!” they said. “We want a king over us. ²⁰ Then **we will be like all the other nations**, with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles.” ²¹ When Samuel heard all that the people said, he repeated it before the LORD. ²² The LORD answered, “Listen to them and give them a king.”

1 Samuel 9

² Kish had a son named **Saul**, as handsome a young man as could be found anywhere in Israel, and he was a head taller than anyone else.

1 Samuel 9

¹⁵ Now the day before Saul came, the LORD had revealed this to Samuel:

¹⁶ “About this time tomorrow I will send you a man from the land of Benjamin. Anoint him ruler over my people Israel; he will deliver them from the hand of the Philistines. I have looked on my people, for their cry has reached me.”

1 Samuel 10

¹ Then Samuel took a flask of olive oil and poured it on Saul's head and kissed him, saying, "Has not the LORD anointed you ruler over his inheritance?"

1 Samuel 10

²³ They ran and brought him out, and as he stood among the people **he was a head taller** than any of the others.

²⁴ Samuel said to all the people, “Do you see the man the LORD has chosen? **There is no one like him** among all the people.”

Then the people shouted, “**Long live the king!**”



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and take
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**What do others
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want, instead
of you being
fully satisfied
in God**

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