

Saul then David - The Chief Stone is Christ

This is what the comparison between Saul and David does. It shows what it looks like for God to truly be treated as King in a person's life. Scripture(s): 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (other assorted verses)

I. Saul's failure stems from the people's failure - God's honor is not _____. Treating God with contempt means that we treat God as if He is but one important voice among _____.

1 Samuel 8:4-9 ⁴ Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah ⁵ and said to him, "Behold, you are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations." ⁶ But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." And Samuel prayed to the LORD. ⁷ And the LORD said to Samuel, "Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them." ⁸ According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. ⁹ Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." Saul's contempt for God: 1 Samuel 13; 15

II. David's difference is not perfection, but of caring that God be honored as He _____. Treating God with honor means that we treat His voice as the only voice that truly _____.

1 Samuel 17:8-37 - Notice David's reasons for standing against Goliath...

Psalms 51:1-4 ¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

III. David points to His eventual Son as the One who will both honor God and _____ the honor of God. It is out of the horrible dishonor of the _____ that Christ has shown us what it is to truly honor God.

Psalms 118:22-26 ²² The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief corner stone. ²³ This is the LORD'S doing; It is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day which the LORD has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵ O LORD, do save, we beseech You; (Yahweh hosanna!) O LORD, we beseech You, do send prosperity! (Yahweh salanna!) ²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

Remember this - Honoring Jesus as King will appear _____ to everyone who does not also honor Him as such.

Our challenge: Make the Word of the Lord the _____ source of truth that you obey.

1. If you have not obeyed the command to come to God through Christ _____, do not wait any longer.
2. Let this first question guide your day, "Is what I am doing and the attitude in which I am doing it truly make God _____?"
3. Let this second question guide your day, "Is what I am doing and the attitude in which I am doing it point people to the glorious _____ and _____ of God?"

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