

God choose the least
1 Samuel 10:17-27
For Oct 25, 2026 Study

1 Samuel 10:17–27 | Theme: Learning to trust God's wisdom rather than our own understanding.

Opening Reflection (5 minutes)

We all want certainty and security in life. Sometimes we believe that having the right person, the right plan, or the right circumstances will give us peace of mind. But what happens when the things we trust begin to take the place of God?

Read 1 Samuel 10:17–27 together.

1. Remembering God's Faithfulness (vv. 17–19)

Samuel begins by reminding Israel how God rescued them from Egypt and delivered them from their enemies.

Why does Samuel remind the people of God's past faithfulness before presenting their new king? In what ways might we forget God's faithfulness when facing uncertainty about the future?

2. When Our Desires Replace Our Trust (v. 19)

God tells Israel, "You have now rejected your God," even though He has faithfully delivered them. Why was Israel's request for a king considered a rejection of God?

Can we sincerely believe in God while placing our confidence in something other than Him? How might this happen in our lives or our church?

3. A King Hiding Among the Baggage (vv. 20–23)

Saul is chosen by lot, yet when the people look for him, he is nowhere to be found. They discover him hiding among the baggage.

Have you ever felt inadequate or hesitant when asked to take on a responsibility? What can we learn from this story?

4. Looking at What Impresses Us (vv. 23–24)

Saul stands a head taller than everyone else. Samuel presents him, and the people shout, "Long live the king!"

What qualities seem to impress the people about Saul? What qualities do we tend to value when choosing leaders? How might God's priorities be different from ours?

5. Different Responses to God's Choice (vv. 25–27)

Some people support Saul, while others question his ability to lead. Saul remains silent.

What can we learn from these different responses?

How can we express honest concerns about leadership while preserving unity, respect, and trust in God?

Closing Reflection and Prayer (10 minutes)

Israel wanted a king because they believed a king would give them security. Yet the larger story reminds us that our security does not ultimately rest in human leadership, but in the God who remains faithful to His people

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways submit to Him and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs

神拣选卑微的人

撒母耳记上 10:17 - 27 | 2026 年 10 月 25 日小组查经

主题：学习信靠神的智慧，而不是倚靠自己的判断。

开始分享（5 分钟）

我们都渴望生活安稳，心里有把握。有时我们以为，只要有合适的人、周全的计划，或理想的环境，就能安心。但当我们所倚靠的这些事物，渐渐取代神在我们心中的位置时，会发生什么事呢？

请大家一起读撒母耳记上 10:17 - 27。

1. 纪念神的信实（17 - 19 节）

撒母耳首先提醒以色列人，神怎样带领他们出埃及，又怎样救他们脱离仇敌的手。

为什么撒母耳在向百姓介绍新王之前，要先提醒他们神过去的信实？当我们面对不确定的未来时，会在哪些方面忘记神以往的带领？

2. 当我们的愿望取代了对神的信靠（19 节）

神对以色列人说：「你们今日却厌弃了救你们脱离一切灾难的神。」既然神一直信实地拯救他们，为什么他们要求立王，竟被视为拒绝神呢？

我们会不会真心相信神，却又把安全感寄托在神以外的人或事上？这样的情况可能怎样发生在我们的生活或教会中？

3. 一位躲在行李中的王（20 - 23 节）

扫罗经抽签被选出来，但众人四处寻找，却找不到他。最后才发现，他躲在行李堆中。

当别人请你承担一项责任时，你是否也曾觉得自己不够资格，或心里犹豫退缩？从扫罗的故事中，我们可以学到什么？

4. 什么最容易吸引我们的目光？（23 - 24 节）

扫罗比众人高出一个头。撒母耳把他介绍给百姓，众人便高呼：「愿王万岁！」

扫罗身上有哪些特质令百姓印象深刻？今天我们选择领袖时，通常看重什么？神所看重的又可能与我們有什么不同？

5. 对神拣选的不同回应（25 - 27 节）

有些人支持扫罗，有些人却质疑他有没有能力带领百姓。扫罗没有回应，保持沉默。

从这些不同的反应中，我们可以学到什么？当我们对领袖有真实的疑虑时，怎样坦诚表达，同时仍然保守合一、彼此尊重，并继续信靠神？

结束反思与祷告（10 分钟）

以色列人想要一位王，因为他们相信有了王，就有了保障。但整段故事提醒我们：我们真正的安全感，最终不是建立在人间的领袖身上，而是建立在那位始终信实、看顾祂子民的神身上。

「你要专心仰赖耶和华，不可倚靠自己的聪明，在你一切所行的事上都要认定他，他必指引你的路。」——箴言 3:5 - 6