

1 & 2 Samuel Series

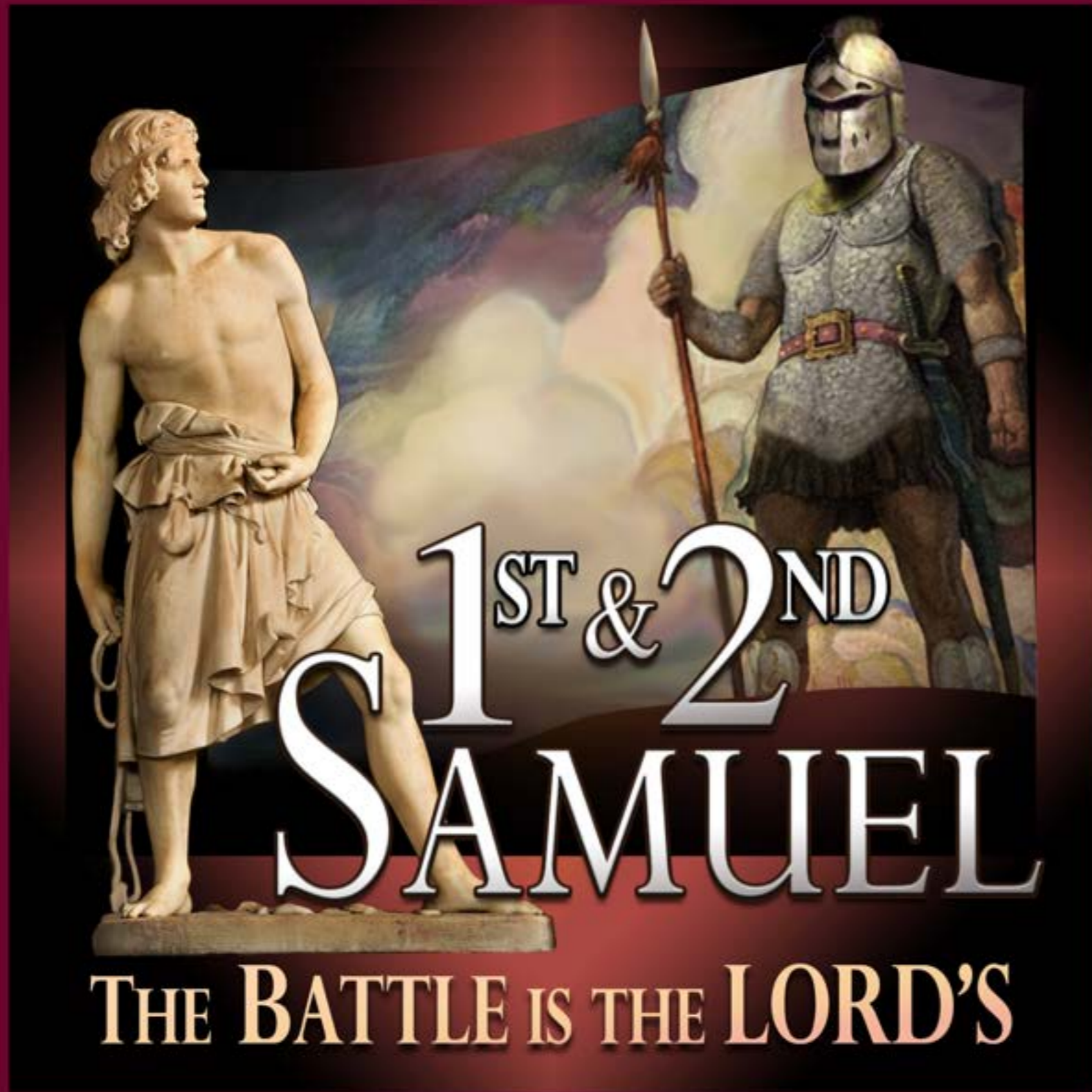
Lesson #036

December 22, 2015

Dean Bible Ministries

www.deanbibleministries.org

Dr. Robert L. Dean, Jr.



GOD TEACHES ISRAEL A LESSON
1 SAMUEL 8:6–22

1 Samuel

Samuel
Prophet,
Priest,
Judge

1 7

Saul

Rise

Decline

David's
Rise

8 15 16 31

1 Sam. 8:1–3: The setting: The people reject the sons of Samuel, who he made to be judges over Israel, because they are corrupt and pervert the law.

1 Sam. 8:4–5: The elders of Israel gather to meet Samuel at Ramah and request a king over them like all of the nations.

1 Sam. 8:6–9: Samuel takes it personally and reacts to their request but in prayer, turns to the Lord who tells him that it is He whom the people have rejected and tells Samuel to warn them of the consequences.

1 Sam. 8:10–18: Samuel tells the people all of the consequences and how this will burden them financially and limit their liberty and freedom.

1 Sam. 8:19–20: The people reject the warning and continue to demand a king like all of the other nations.

1 Sam. 8:21–22: The Lord tells Samuel to obey their voice.

1 Sam. 8:4, “Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah,

1 Sam. 8:5, “and said to him, ‘Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.’ ”

The Divine Institutions

1. Individual Responsibility

PRE-FALL

2. Marriage

3. Family

**Designed to promote
productivity and advance
civilization**

4. Government, judicial

5. Nations

POST-FALL

Designed to restrain evil

What kind of king did the other nations have?

GOD

Personal-Infinite
Creator GOD

FINITE UNIVERSE

Man
Animals
Vegetation
Matter/Energy

INFINITE-
IMPERSONAL
Universe



God
man
nature

Application

Political/National or Individual Decisions

This is where we talk and argue.

Logical sequence

Ethics: What is right? What is wrong? What is good or bad?

Pressures of life

These are the real issues, usually ignored.

Epistemology: How do we know truth? Right from wrong? Just or unjust?

Metaphysics: Ultimate reality, i.e., God, matter, energy, nothing

Foundation of *all* thought

What kind of king did the other nations have?

Into the vacuum created by the removal of God moves the State which encroaches more on more on divine prerogatives. Thus, the State itself becomes the ultimate determiner of right, wrong, meaning, significance, and claims ultimate authority over the lives of the people.

1 Sam. 8:6, “But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, ‘Give us a king to judge us.’ So Samuel prayed to the LORD.”

Judg. 2:11, “Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served the Baals;”

Judg. 3:7, “So the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD. They forgot the LORD their God, and served the Baals and Asherahs.”

1 Kings 14:9, “but you have done more evil than all who were before you, for you have gone and made for yourself other gods and molded images to provoke Me to anger, and have cast Me behind your back—”

1 Sam. 8:7, “And the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Heed the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them.’

1 Sam. 8:8, “ ‘According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt, even to this day—with which they have forsaken Me and served other gods—so they are doing to you also.’”

1 Sam. 8:9, “Now therefore, heed their voice. However, you shall solemnly forewarn them, and show them the behavior of the king who will reign over them.”

1 Sam. 8:9, “Now therefore, heed their voice. However, you shall solemnly forewarn them, and show them the behavior of the king who will reign over them.”

עוֹדֵד-2 *ʿawad-2*

**hifil infinitiveAbs
to warn, testify
with reference to
the stipulation of a
covenant or treaty.**

עוֹדֵד-2 *ʿawad-2*

**hifil imperfect
to warn, testify
with reference to
the stipulation of a
covenant or treaty.**

1 Sam. 8:9, “Now therefore, heed their voice. However, you shall solemnly forewarn them, and show them the behavior of the king who will reign over them.”

“you shall legally testify to them about their obligations related to the covenant ... and the judgments (policies, actions) of the king who will rule over them.”

1 Sam. 8:18, “And you will cry out in that day because of your king whom you have chosen for yourselves, and the LORD will not hear you in that day.”

1 Sam. 8:11, “And he said, ‘This will be the behavior of the king who will reign over you: He will take your sons and appoint them for his own chariots and to be his horsemen, and some will run before his chariots.’ ”

1 Sam. 8:12, “He will appoint captains over his thousands and captains over his fifties, will set some to plow his ground and reap his harvest, and some to make his weapons of war and equipment for his chariots.”

1 Sam. 8:13, “He will take your daughters to be perfumers, cooks, and bakers.”

1 Sam. 8:14, “And he will take the best of your fields, your vineyards, and your olive groves, and give them to his servants.”

1 Sam. 8:15, “He will take a tenth of your grain and your vintage, and give it to his officers and servants.”

1 Sam. 8:17, “He will take a tenth of your sheep. And you will be his servants.”

1 Sam. 8:18, “And you will cry out in that day because of your king whom you have chosen for yourselves, and the LORD will not hear you in that day.”

1 Sam. 8:19, “Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, ‘No, but we will have a king over us,

1 Sam. 8:20, “ ‘that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles.’ ”

Rom. 1:21, “because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Rom. 1:22, “Professing to be wise, they became fools,

Rom. 1:23, “and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.”

1 Sam. 8:21, “And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he repeated them in the hearing of the LORD.

1 Sam. 8:22, “So the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Heed their voice, and make them a king.’ And Samuel said to the men of Israel, ‘Every man go to his city.’ ”

Rom. 1:24, “Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves,

Rom. 1:25, “who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.”

Psa. 106:15, “And He gave them their request, but sent leanness into their soul.”