

# 1 & 2 Samuel Series

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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

**CONFESSIO AND CONSEQUENCES**

**1 SAMUEL 15:23–35**

**5. We are all to submit to the authorities over us.**

**Titus 3:1, “Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,”**

**Rom. 13:1, “Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.”**

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**1 Pet. 2:13, “Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord’s sake, whether to the king as supreme,**

**1 Pet. 2:14, “or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good.”**

**Acts 4:18, “So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.**

**Acts 4:19, “But Peter and John answered and said to them, ‘Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge.**

**Acts 4:20, “ ‘For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.’ ”**

# **Review of Divine Institutions**

- 1. Personal Responsibility: God is the authority**
- 2. Marriage: The husband is the authority**
- 3. Family: The parents are the authority**
- 4. Government: The governing authorities**
- 5. Nationalism: God is the authority; He sets the boundaries. Acts 17:26**

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**Deut. 31:27, “for I know your rebellion and your stiff neck. If today, while I am yet alive with you, you have been rebellious against the LORD, then how much more after my death?”**

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**Deut. 18:10, “There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, one who uses divination, one who practices witchcraft, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer,”**

**2 Kings 17:17, “Then they made their sons and their daughters pass through the fire, and practiced divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking Him.”**

**1 Sam. 15:23**

**For rebellion = witchcraft**

**Stubbornness = iniquity and idolatry**

**Divination is the attempt to use various secret or occult powers to determine the future.**

**Often this is done through various means of interpreting signs, omens, or objects, usually with the aid of supernatural beings.**

**Forms of divination include: clairvoyance, palm reading, astrology, reading the liver of a dead animal (hepatoscopy), reading the signs of cast arrows (belomancy), necromancy (consulting the dead), and recently I've heard of reading someone's tattoos.**

**Divination was specifically prohibited by the Law.**

**Lev. 19:26, “You shall not eat anything with the blood, nor shall you practice divination or soothsaying.”**

**Lev. 19:31, “Give no regard to mediums and familiar spirits; do not seek after them, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God.”**

**Lev. 20:27, “ ‘A man or a woman who is a medium, or who has familiar spirits, shall surely be put to death; they shall stone them with stones. Their blood shall be upon them.’ ”**

**Lev. 17:7, “They shall no more offer their sacrifices to demons, after whom they have played the harlot. This shall be a statute forever for them throughout their generations.”**

**Deut. 32:17, “They sacrificed to demons, not to God, to gods they did not know, to new gods, new arrivals that your fathers did not fear.”**

**2 Chron. 11:15, “Then he appointed for himself priests for the high places, for the demons, and the calf idols which he had made.”**



**Psa. 106:37, “They even sacrificed their sons and their daughters to demons,**

**Psa. 106:38, “And shed innocent blood, the blood of their sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan; and the land was polluted with blood.**

**Psa. 106:39, “Thus they were defiled by their own works, and played the harlot by their own deeds.”**

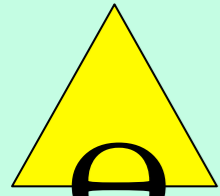
**1 Cor. 10:20, “Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.”**

**Divination was often used in the ancient world.**

**Ezek. 21:21, “For the king of Babylon stands at the parting of the road, at the fork of the two roads, to use divination: he shakes the arrows, he consults the images, he looks at the liver.”**

**So Why is Rebellion Compared to  
Divination?**

# Course of the Angelic Conflict



Angels Created

Man Created  
Man Falls

Gen 1:1

Calvary  
Isa 53:1-12



Rapture

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The Kingdom  
Dan 7:13-14  
Isa 2:1-3  
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**Isa. 14:3, “It shall come to pass in the day the LORD gives you rest from your sorrow, and from your fear and the hard bondage in which you were made to serve,**

**Isa. 14:4, “that you will take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say: ‘How the oppressor has ceased, the golden city ceased!**

**Isa. 14:5, “ ‘The LORD has broken the staff of the wicked, the scepter of the rulers;’ ”**

**Isa. 14:10, “They all shall speak and say to you: ‘Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us?’ ”**

**Isa. 14:11, “ ‘Your pomp is brought down to Sheol, and the sound of your stringed instruments; The maggot is spread under you, and worms cover you.’ ”**



**Isa. 14:12**, “How you are fallen from heaven,  
O Lucifer, son of the morning [*helel ben shahar*]  
! How you are cut down to the ground, you who  
weakened the nations!

**Isa. 14:13**, “For you have said in your  
heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt  
my throne above the stars of God; I will  
also sit on the mount of the congregation  
on the farthest sides of the north;

**Isa. 14:14**, “ ‘I will ascend above the  
heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most  
High.’ ”

**Isa. 14:15, “Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit.**

**Isa. 14:16, “Those who see you will gaze at you, and consider you, saying: ‘Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms,’ ”**

**Isa. 14:17, “ ‘Who made the world as a wilderness and destroyed its cities, who did not open the house of his prisoners?’ ”**

**Isa. 14:18, “ ‘All the kings of the nations, all of them, sleep in glory, everyone in his own house;**

**Isa. 14:19, “ ‘But you are cast out of your grave like an abominable branch, like the garment of those who are slain, thrust through with a sword, who go down to the stones of the pit, like a corpse trodden underfoot.’ ”**

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פצר *patzar*

**hif infinitiveAbs  
to be  
insubordinate,  
rebellious,  
defiant,  
arrogant**

אָוֵן *ʾawen* **iniquity, sin**

תְּרָפִים *teraphim* **comm masc  
plur abs idols**

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**1-סאמ *ma'as*-1 qal perf 2 masc sing  
to reject, deny, repudiate**

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to miss the mark, fall short, sin**

**עבר-1 *avar-1* qal perf 1 com sing  
to pass over, through, or by**

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**נָשָׂא *nasa'* qal**

**imper masc**

**sing**

**to lift, carry,**

**take**

**Mic. 7:18, “Who is a God like You,  
pardoning iniquity and passing over the  
transgression of the remnant of His  
heritage? He does not retain His anger  
forever, because He delights in mercy.”**

**1 Sam. 15:26, “But Samuel said to Saul, ‘I will not return with you, for you have rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD has rejected you from being king over Israel.’ ”**

**1 Sam. 15:27, “And as Samuel turned around to go away, Saul seized the edge of his robe, and it tore.**

**1 Sam. 15:28, “So Samuel said to him, ‘The LORD has torn the kingdom of Israel from you today, and has given it to a neighbor of yours, who is better than you.’ ”**

**1 Sam. 15:29, “And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor relent. For He is not a man, that He should relent.”**

**נִצְחָה-1 *netzach-1* comm masc sing constr  
power, strength, victory, even perpetuity  
Refers to the omnipotence of God.**

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**Gen. 6:6, “And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.”**

**anthropopathism [Greek *άνθρωπος* (*anthropos*), man; *παθος* (*pathos*), feeling]**  
**Language of accommodation that ascribes to God human passions, emotions, thoughts, and attitudes which He does not actually possess to reveal and explain Himself, divine policy, acts, and decisions to the finite mind of man. Examples include: grief (Gen. 6:6), repentance (Ex. 32:14 KJV), vengeance (Isa. 1:24), hatred (Ps. 5:5), anger (Deut. 29:23), jealousy (Ex. 34:14).**

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**worship שָׁחָה *shachah*  
hishtaf imperf 1 com sing cohortativeM  
to bow, worship**

**1 Sam. 15:32, “Then Samuel said, ‘Bring Agag king of the Amalekites here to me.’ So Agag came to him cautiously. And Agag said, ‘Surely the bitterness of death is past.’**

**1 Sam. 15:33, “But Samuel said, ‘As your sword has made women childless, so shall your mother be childless among women.’ And Samuel hacked Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.”**

**1 Sam. 15:34, “Then Samuel went to Ramah, and Saul went up to his house at Gibeah of Saul.**

**1 Sam. 15:35, “And Samuel went no more to see Saul until the day of his death. Nevertheless Samuel mourned for Saul, and the LORD regretted that He had made Saul king over Israel.”**

**אבל-1 *aval*-1 hitpael perf 3 masc sing to  
mourn**