

Family Worship

Give Us A King 

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Opening Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, thank you for our family.

And thank you for the privilege of coming together for worship.

Help us to understand Your Word and obey it with a joyful heart.

In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

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There is a God

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Catechism Time!

Bible truths for teaching children

Question 33

Q: Should those who have faith in Christ seek their salvation through their own works, or anywhere else?

A: No, everything necessary to salvation is found in Christ.

Bible verse (Galatians 2:16)

We...know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ.

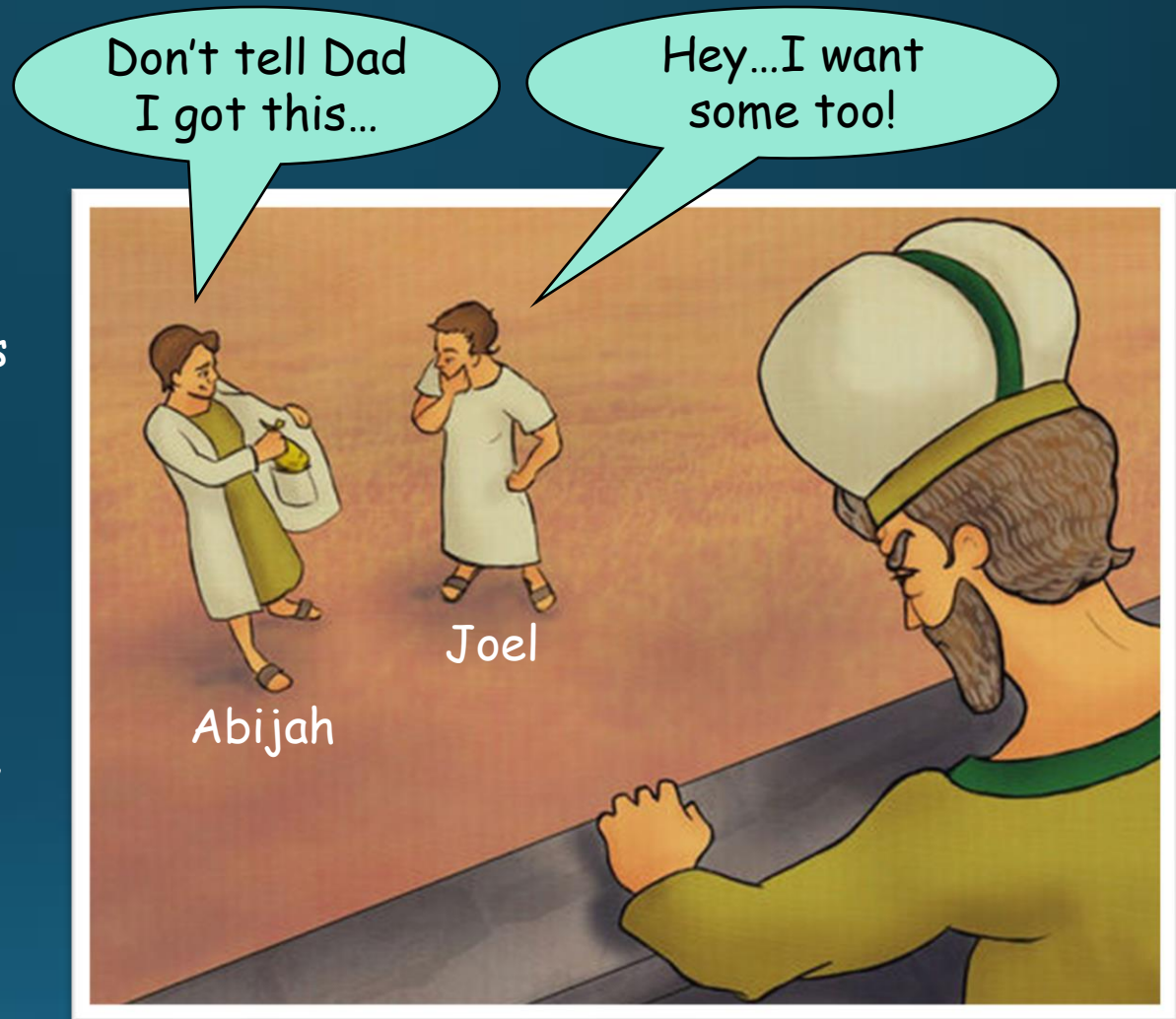
So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

Now open your Bible and read

1 Samuel 8:1-22

When Samuel became old, he made his sons judges for Israel. His first son was named Joel, and his second son was named Abijah.

Joel and Abijah were judges in Beersheba. But Samuel's sons did not live as he did. They tried to get money dishonestly. They took money secretly and were dishonest in their judging.

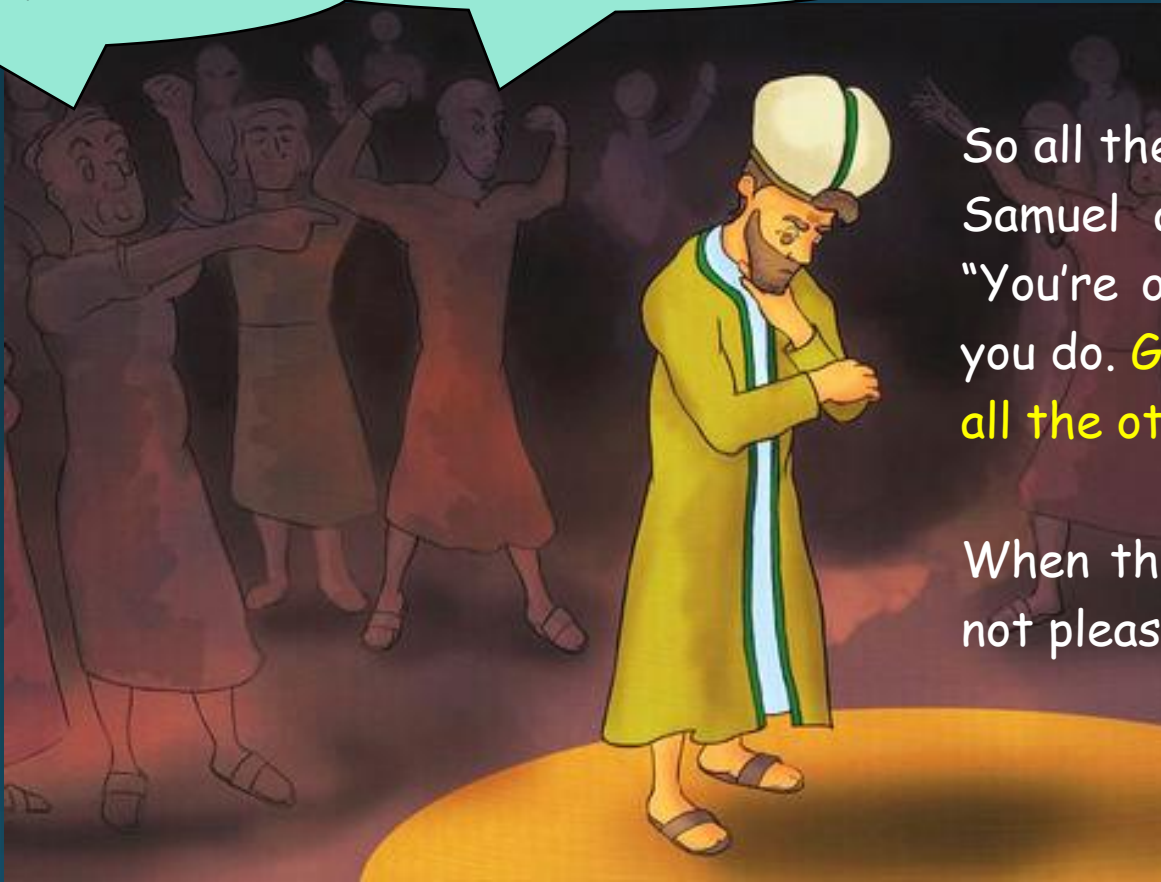


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So all the elders came together and met Samuel at Ramah. They said to him, "You're old, and your sons don't live as you do. **Give us a king to rule over us like all the other nations.**"

When the elders said that, Samuel was not pleased. He prayed to the Lord...

The Lord told Samuel, "Listen to whatever the people say to you. **They have not rejected you. They have rejected me from being their king.** They are doing as they have always done. When I took them out of Egypt, they left me. They served other gods. They are doing the same to you.

Now listen to the people. But give them a warning. Tell them what the king who rules over them will do."





Samuel answered those who had asked him for a king. He told them all the words of the Lord. Samuel said, "If you have a king ruling over you, this is what he will do:

➤ *He will take your sons.* He will make them serve with his chariots and his horses. They will run in front of the king's chariot. The king will make some of your sons commanders over 1,000 men or over 50 men. He will make some of your other sons plow his ground and reap his harvest.

He will take others to make weapons of war and equipment for his chariots.

- *This king will take your daughters.* Some of your daughters will make perfume. Others will cook and bake for him.
- *He will take your best fields,* vineyards and olive groves. He will give them to his servants.
- *He will take one-tenth of your grain* and grapes and give it to his officers and servants.
- *He will take your men servants and girl servants.*
- *He will take your best cattle and your donkeys.* He will use them all for his own work.
- *He will take one-tenth of your flocks.*

And you yourselves will become his slaves. When that time comes, you will cry out because of the king you chose. The Lord will not answer you then."

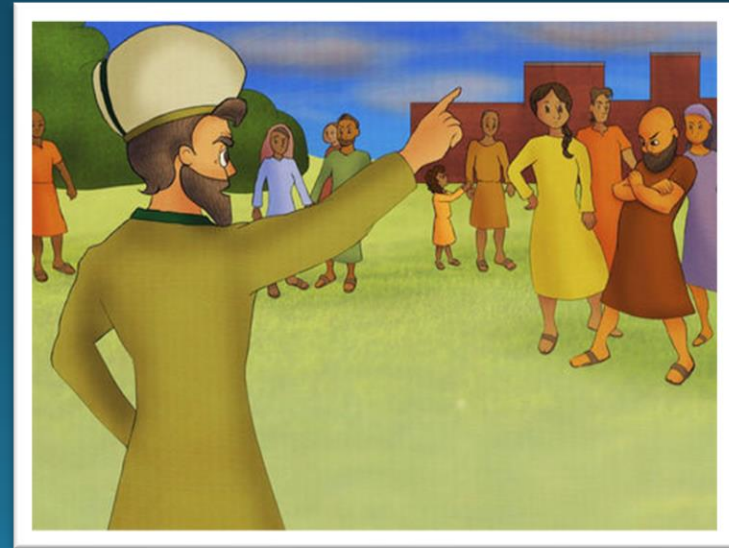




But the people would not listen to Samuel. They said, "No! We want a king to rule over us. Then we will be the same as all the other nations. Our king will judge us. He will go with us and fight our battles."

Samuel heard all that the people said. Then he repeated all their words to the Lord. The Lord answered, "You must listen to them. Give them a king."

Then Samuel told the people of Israel, "Everyone go back to his town."



Family Discussion

1. Samuel made his two sons judges so they could lead Israel. What was the problem with Samuel's sons? Since everyone knew the sons' bad character, do you think Samuel also knew? What could Samuel have done about his sons?
2. Why did the Israelites want a king?
3. When Samuel prayed to God the first time, God told Samuel, "They have rejected me from being their king...Now listen to the people. But give them a warning."
 - ❑ What was the warning Samuel gave the people?
4. Samuel said "He will take...He will take...He will take" repeatedly - The king would take their children, servants, best fields, cattle, donkeys and grain. The king would **enslave** his people.
 - ❑ Why did the people still want a king?
5. The people were determined to have their way. Why did God grant what they requested even though He knew it was not good for them? Have you ever asked God for something that was not good for you? What lesson did you learn? (Parents need to answer ;))

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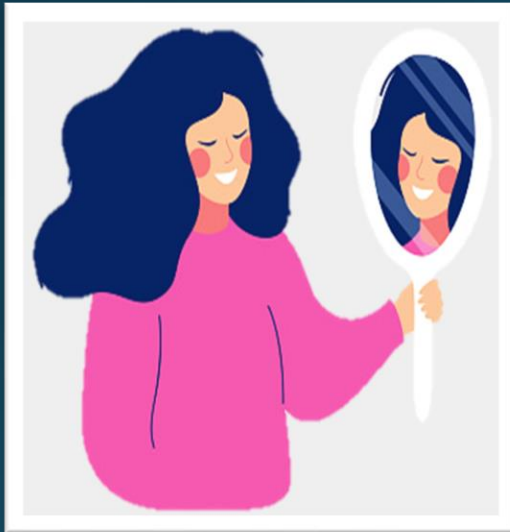
- ❑ We are like the Israelites.
- ❑ Because of our sinful nature, our hearts tend to want something to **replace God** - something to give us "victory" in the world. These include money, power, popularity, education, talents, love relationship...etc.
- ❑ We should see these as God's gifts and direct them for God's glory. But if we want any of them more than God, we will be like the Israelites wanting a "king" to give us "victory" in the world.
- ❑ But don't be fooled. Just as Israel's king took everything people had, the "king" you want will take all you have. You will become his slave.



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- ❑ So if **money** is your king - if it is what you desire the most - then money will rule over you. You will be a slave to money. You will never be satisfied with what you have. Money will take away your freedom and control you.
- ❑ If **good looks** is your king, then your desire for good looks will rule over you. You will forever be seeking admiration from others but never getting enough of it.



Since **God** made us, only **He** can satisfy our deepest desire. **He** alone is our true King.

Let Jesus Be Our King

- ❑ Jesus is God who became man. He came to be our King but we nailed him to the cross.
- ❑ Indeed Jesus wore a crown of thorns; the cross was His throne.
- ❑ Unlike the earthly "kings" who take, Jesus our true King gives!
 - He **gives** us living water so we may never thirst
 - He **gives** us power to overcome sin
 - He **gives** us hope and the joy of salvation
 - He **gives** us the Holy Spirit to guide us
 - He **gave** us His own life so we can have abundant life
- ❑ Do you want a king who takes or a King who gives? You can invite Jesus into your heart and ask Him to be your King!

Family Prayer Time

1. Thank God for His Word and help so we may learn the truth
2. Ask your children to pray for what they have learned
3. Ask your family how you can pray for them specifically

The Servant King

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