

Samuel and Kings

UNIT 6

Read pages 173–174 as a class

Judges– In groups, find out what you can about your judge.

Samuel: The Last and Greatest Judge

1. He was judge over all 12 tribes
2. Samuel's mother Hannah had prayed a long time for a child
3. When Samuel was born his mother took him to the shrine at Shiloh to dedicate Samuel to God
4. As a boy Samuel heard God call him and he answered "Here I am Lord. Speak Lord, your servant is listening."



Saul is the First King

The people demanded a king from Samuel.

Samuel warned the people against Kings. (Why?)

So God told Samuel to anoint Saul...



Saul as King

Saul reigned for 10 years and then was no longer opened to the Spirit of God.

An evil spirit entered Saul.



Saul's Mistakes as King

Partner up!

- **Read the following bible passages:**
- **1 Samuel 13:2-14 (First book of Samuel, chapter 13, verses 2-14
and answer questions on page 178 #1-5**
- **1 Samuel 15:2-31
and answer questions on p. 178, 179 #6-10**

David

1. God tells Samuel to choose a man not as man sees but as God sees.
2. Samuel asks Jesse if he has any other sons. Jesse tells him that his youngest is out in the fields
3. Because Saul was no longer open to the spirit of God, God sent Samuel to anoint David





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Goliath Worksheet

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David Defeats Goliath



Davidic Covenant

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King David

1. David united the 12 tribes of Israel.
2. He obeys God and serves the people and protects them.
3. David made Jerusalem the capital of his newly United Kingdom.
4. He brings the ark of covenant to the city for the people to worship God.



King Solomon: A Wise King

- God asks Solomon in a dream, “Solomon, ask a favor of me, and I will give it to you.”
- Solomon asks for wisdom.
- Solomon wrote some 3000 proverbs (wise sayings).
- Solomon built the Temple for the Ark.
- **Read the Picture Bible; page 71, to see the wisdom of Solomon.**





The Prophets

Called by God to speak his word

- **Prophet** – was a go-between God and His people *called by God* to be His mouthpiece;
 - ~ Being called to be a prophet defined them; became part of their essence.
 - ~ Wasn't a conscious choice to become a prophet; Can't run from God! (Ex: Jonah)
 - ~ Prophets show up when the chosen people fall away and stop following God.
 - ~ Most appear before the exile or following the conquest by the Assyrians (conquering Israel's Northern part of the divided Kingdom-Israel)

Prophets

1. God gives the prophets the special gift of seeing things as they truly are.
2. They see the goodness and holiness of God and they see sin pulling people away from God.
3. The prophets' major roles are to point out how people are sinning and turn them back to God.
4. Sometimes prophets tell what will happen in the future.
5. The prophets are often called the conscience of Israel.
6. The major prophets have the longest books in the Bible.

Who is Moses?

God appeared from burning bush to send Moses back to Egypt to convince Pharaoh and to Lead Israelites out of slavery/bondage. Exodus and Desert Wanderings

Major Prophets

- **Isaiah**- prophecies about Christ' life (Isaiah chapter 53): foretold that Judah would be destroyed but a few people would be saved: angel touched his lips with a live coal for forgiveness of sins so that his lips would be clean to proclaim God's words.
- **Jeremiah**- touched by an angel who put the words of God into his mouth; reluctant to be a prophet; said "no" at first; youngest prophet; difficult for people to accept him because of age.
- **Ezekiel**- first prophet to be called while Hebrews were in exile; had vision of Cherubim, ate the scrolls; "dry bones becoming flesh" story.
- **Daniel**- remaining true to God in the midst of an adverse culture; Heroism (in Lion's den, fiery furnace, story of Susanna).

Minor Prophets

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Micah, Nahum, and Habbakkuk

- Jonah - wanted to be a prophet but didn't want to do what God asked of him
- ended up in the belly of a whale to be taught a lesson by God
 - one of only prophets who shows a Christ reference (How?)
- Elijah - kept people focused on Yahweh as the ONLY God (to avoid bad things)
- threatened by Jezebel (wife of Ahab)
 - called upon God to burn the ox and prove his power over the false gods of Baal; true God vs. false gods
- Elisha - chosen by God to succeed Elijah
- Witnessed Elijah being taken up to heaven and received his prophetic powers then
 - Why don't we have prophets today?

Major Prophets

Major Prophets

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel
at pppst.com



MINOR PROPHETS

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Hephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

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The Prophets

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READ PAIR SHARE

The Call Narratives of the Prophets

Use the Bible to reference verses and match up how God called each:

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Old Testament Prophecy of the Messiah

Pages: 191–192

Look up and summarize the prophecies made in the Old Testament to foreshadow events that would follow in the New Testament.