

Homework

Here I Am

Winter 2025 | Week 8

Message Date 3/2/2025

MY STORY

- 1) If you could only communicate using movie quotes for a day, which ones would you use the most?
- 2) If you had to survive a zombie apocalypse with only the food in your house, how long are you going to make it?

QUICK REVIEW

- 3) What caught your attention from Sunday's message?

DIGGING DEEPER / TAKING IT HOME

1 Samuel 1-9 (NLT)

As Samuel grew old, he appointed his sons to be judges over Israel. ² Joel and Abijah, his oldest sons, held court in Beersheba. ³ But they were not like their father, for they were greedy for money. They accepted bribes and perverted justice.

⁴ Finally, all the elders of Israel met at Ramah to discuss the matter with Samuel.

⁵ "Look," they told him, "you are now old, and your sons are not like you. Give us a king to judge us like all the other nations have."

⁶ Samuel was displeased with their request and went to the Lord for guidance. ⁷ "Do everything they say to you," the Lord replied, "for they are rejecting me, not you. They don't want me to be their king any longer. ⁸ Ever since I brought them from Egypt they have continually abandoned me and followed other gods. And now they are giving you the same treatment. ⁹ Do as they ask, but solemnly warn them about the way a king will reign over them."

- 4) What does this passage teach us about raising godly children?
- 5) According to the passage, what are some of the things that Samuel's sons did?
- 6) I understand that many people doing this study are not parents, so in this following question think about what friends or people you influence. As a parent,

how do you influence your children or how do you share godly influence with those around you who need Jesus?

- 7) Let's shift gears because there's something significant that happens in the rest of this passage when Israel asked Samuel to give them a king. What was God's response and why do you think they did it?
- 8) What does this request from Israel teach us about the heart condition of Israel? And are there worldly things in our own personal lives that we chase which reveal a similar condition? If there is or has been, what can you do about it or what did you do about it?
- 9) What are modern ways in which people reject God's authority in their lives?
- 10) What are things we can do in our daily lives to prevent us from running astray and chasing the things of the world? What do you intentionally and consistently have in your life to protect you from these things?

CHAIR TIME TOOLS

Reflection Questions for Chair Time: think about the following questions and pray through them with Jesus.

- 1) Are there things in your parenting that you need to shift to live a godlier life in front of your children? (Or if you aren't a parent, think of the people you are around daily.)
- 2) Are there things that you need to start or stop in regards to seeking the love of the world instead of the love of God?
- 3) Who can you reach out to today and use your influence to point them toward God? How can you encourage them or invite them to church?