

MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

The People Demand a King

Lesson 90



colour this picture of a
High Priest



Read this story in the Bible:

1 Samuel 8 v 1-10

Samuel served the Lord faithfully as a judge and priest. He told the people how the Lord wanted them to live. When he was old the people said they wanted to have a king instead of being ruled by judges. All the nations around them had kings. They wanted to be the same.

Now God had made the people different. HE was their King. Samuel was very sad because he knew the people were wrong to ask for something different to what God had given them. God always knows best. God's way is always good. By demanding a king like other nations, God said that they were rejecting Him.

But God said to Samuel, "Tell them they can have a king, but tell them how a king will behave." Samuel told the people that a king would take some of their sons and daughters to work for him. A king would take away some of their crops, and some of their animals. A king would take the best land for himself. A king would make them his servants. The people would wish they didn't have a king after all.

But the people still wanted a king, so Samuel God told him to anoint Saul the first king of Israel.

Did you know God is the King of the whole world? He gives us rulers to make laws, but God is more powerful than any other king or ruler. We need to worship, love and serve Him as our Creator. Don't reject Him! Pray to God to make you His child.

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We want a king!

True or False?

Decide if these sentences are true or false. Put a circle round the answer:

Samuel had been the people's leader for many years **TRUE / FALSE**

The people wanted to be different to other nations **TRUE / FALSE**

Samuel was pleased they asked for a king **TRUE / FALSE**

God said the people were rejecting Him, not Samuel **TRUE / FALSE**

Samuel told the people a king would take their things **TRUE / FALSE**

The people decided not to ask for a king after all **TRUE / FALSE**

God told Samuel to anoint Saul as king **TRUE / FALSE**



A verse to memorise: Jesus said:

**“The fear of the Lord
is the beginning of wisdom.”**

Proverbs 9 v 10 (NKJV)