

“‘On Whom is All Israel’s Desire Fixed’ -
Meet Saul the Small, the Least”

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1Sam. 9:1 ¶ There was a man of Benjamin whose name was Kish son of Abiel son of Zeror son of Becorath son of Aphiah, a Benjaminite, a man of wealth.

1Sam. 9:2 He had a son whose name was Saul, a handsome young man. There was not a man among the people of Israel more handsome than he; he stood head and shoulders above everyone else.



“Halakah”

Walking & talking Presence? - Samuel. No king

“Intercessory”

Broken Priesthood - Israel's desire? A king



שְׂאֻל Shaul - “asked (of Yah),”



1Sam. 9:3 ¶ Now the donkeys of Kish,
Saul's father, had strayed. So Kish
said to his son Saul, "Take one of the
boys with you; go and look for the
donkeys."



1Sam. 9:5 ¶ When they came to the land of Zuph, Saul said to the boy who was with him, “Let us turn back, or my father will stop worrying about the donkeys and worry about us.”



1Sam. 9:6 But he said to him, "There is a man of God in this town; he is a man held in honor. Whatever he says always comes true. Let us go there now; perhaps he will tell us about the journey on which we have set out."



1Sam. 9:17 When Samuel saw Saul, the LORD told him, "Here is the man of whom I spoke to you. He it is who shall rule over my people."



1Sam. 9:19 Samuel answered Saul, "I am the seer; go up before me to the shrine, for today you shall eat with me, and in the morning I will let you go and will tell you all that is on your mind.

1Sam. 9:20 As for your donkeys that were lost three days ago, give no further thought to them, for they have been found. And on whom is all Israel's desire fixed, if not on you and on all your ancestral house?"



1Sam. 9:21 Saul answered, "I am only a Benjaminite, from the least of the tribes of Israel, and my family is the humblest of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin. Why then have you spoken to me in this way?"



1Sam. 10:1 Samuel took a vial of oil and poured it on his head, and kissed him; he said, "The LORD has anointed you ruler over his people Israel. You shall reign over the people of the LORD and you will save them from the hand of their enemies all around. Now this shall be the sign to you that the LORD has anointed you ruler over his heritage:



1Sam. 10:6 Then the spirit of the LORD will possess you, and you will be in a prophetic frenzy along with them and be turned into a different person.



1Sam. 10:7 Now when these signs meet you, do whatever you see fit to do, for God is with you.



1Sam. 10:16 Saul said to his uncle, "He told us that the donkeys had been found." But about the matter of the kingship, of which Samuel had spoken, he did not tell him anything.



1Sam. 10:21 He brought the tribe of Benjamin near by its families, and the family of the Matrites was taken by lot. Finally he brought the family of the Matrites near man by man, and Saul the son of Kish was taken by lot. But when they sought him, he could not be found.



1Sam. 10:22 So they inquired again of the LORD, "Did the man come here?" and the LORD said, "See, he has hidden himself among the baggage."



1Sam. 10:23 Then they ran and brought him from there. When he took his stand among the people, he was head and shoulders taller than any of them.

1Sam. 10:24 Samuel said to all the people, "Do you see the one whom the LORD has chosen? There is no one like him among all the people." And all the people shouted, "Long live the king!"



1Sam. 9:7 Then Saul replied to the boy, "But if we go, what can we bring the man? For the bread in our sacks is gone, and there is no present to bring to the man of God. What have we?"



1Sam. 9:8 The boy answered Saul again,
“Here, I have with me a quarter shekel
of silver; I will give it to the man of God,
to tell us our way.”

1Sam. 9:10 Saul said to the boy, “Good;
come, let us go.” So they went to the
town where the man of God was.





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