

“‘Will Appoint, Will Take, Take, & Take...’  
Israel Demands a King”

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Judg. 21:25 ¶ In those days there was no king in Israel; all the people did what was right in their own eyes.





1Sam. 8:4 ¶ Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah,

1Sam. 8:5 and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.”





1Sam. 8:6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD,





1Sam. 8:7 and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.

1Sam. 8:8 Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you.





1Sam. 8:9 Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”





1Sam. 8:10 ¶ So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king.

1Sam. 8:11 He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots;

1Sam. 8:12 and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots.





1Sam. 8:13 He will take your daughters  
to be perfumers and cooks and  
bakers.





1Sam. 8:14 He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers.

1Sam. 8:15 He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.





1Sam. 8:16 He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work.

1Sam. 8:17 He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves.





1Sam. 8:18 And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”





Ecc. 4:1 ¶ Again I saw all the oppressions that are practiced under the sun. Look, the tears of the oppressed—with no one to comfort them! On the side of their oppressors there was power—with no one to comfort them.





Num. 27:16 “Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint someone over the congregation

Num. 27:17 who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the LORD may not be like sheep without a shepherd.”





Num. 27:18 So the LORD said to Moses,  
“Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is  
the spirit, and lay your hand upon him;





Mic. 2:12 ¶ I will surely gather all of you, O Jacob,

I will gather the survivors of Israel;

I will set them together

like sheep in a fold,

like a flock in its pasture;

it will resound with people.

Mic. 2:13 The one who breaks out will go up before them;

they will break through and pass the gate,

going out by it.

Their king will pass on before them,

the LORD at their head.





Ezek. 34:2 Mortal, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel: prophesy, and say to them—to the shepherds: Thus says the Lord GOD: Ah, you shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep?





Ezek. 34:11 ¶ For thus says the Lord  
GOD: I myself will search for my sheep,  
and will seek them out.





Ezek. 34:23 ¶ I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd.

Ezek. 34:24 And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.





John 1:17 The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

John 1:18 No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.





John 10:11 ¶ “I am the good shepherd.  
The good shepherd lays down his life  
for the sheep.







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