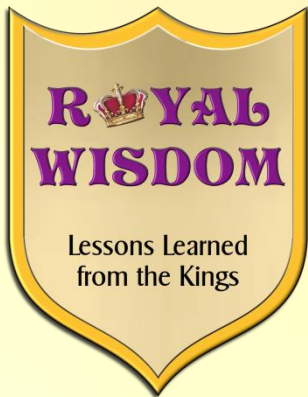


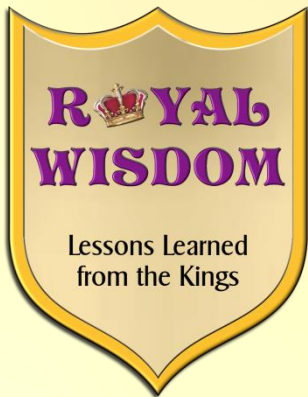
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# Do Not Rebel Against the Lord

***1 Samuel 15:20-25***

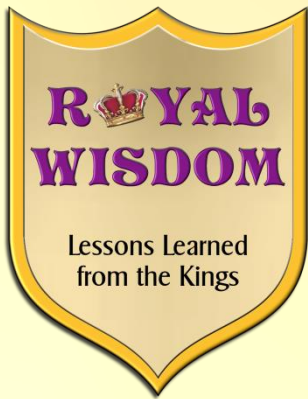


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## *The Story of King Saul*

### What is the definition of rebellion?

- : an effort by many people to change the government or leader of a country by the use of protest or violence
- : open opposition toward a person or group in authority
- : refusal to obey rules or accept normal standards of behavior, dress, etc.



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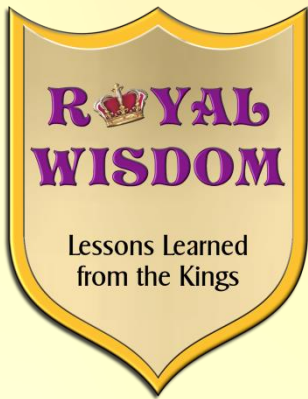
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### Who Was King Saul?

The story of King Saul begins in 1 Samuel 9.

- The Israelites had asked Samuel for a king.
- The Lord told Samuel to give the people a king.

From a small tribe and a small family, the Lord chose Saul. ***1 Sam 9:21; 10:15-16, 22***



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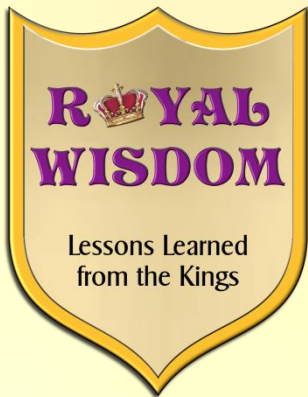
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Saul unlawfully offered an offering to the Lord. ***1 Sam 13:8-14***

Saul disobeyed the Lord's instructions regarding the Amalekites. ***1 Sam 15:1-29***

The Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul.  
***1 Sam 16:14-16***



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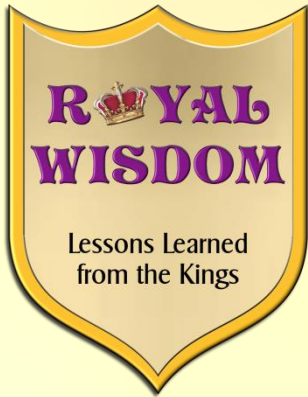
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The Lord rejected Saul because of Saul's rebellion.

This rejection led to Saul's jealousy over David.

However, in the end, the Lord's will was done and David became king over Israel.



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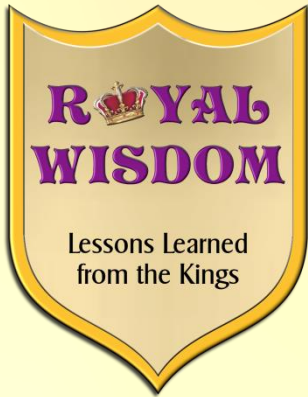
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### Royal Wisdom Lessons

Lesson 1: The Lord has lifted us up.

The Lord lifted Saul up from a small family and an insignificant tribe.

We once were little, insignificant, and lost in sin. *Col 2:13; Eph 2:1-3*



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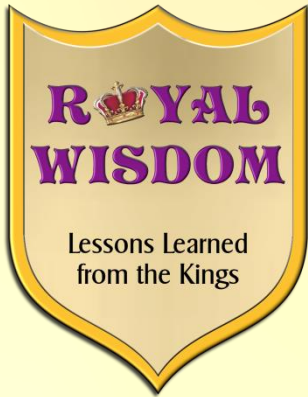
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When we obeyed the gospel's call, we became

- Children of God. *Rom 8:14-17*
- Members of a household. *1 Tim 3:15*
- Members of body of Christ. *Eph 1:22-23*





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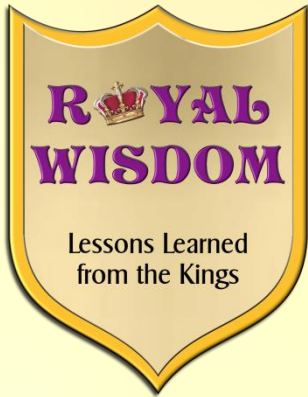
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Peter describes us as . . . ***1 Pet 2:9-10***

- A chosen generation.
- A royal priesthood.
- A holy nation.
- God's own special people.



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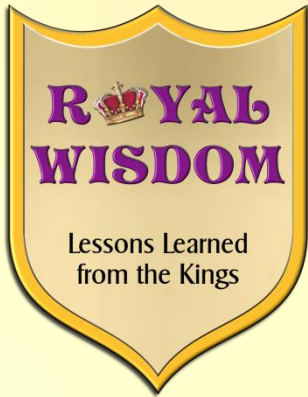
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### **Royal Wisdom Lessons**

Lesson 2: We must not rebel against the Lord.

The Lord saw disobedience as rebellion.

***1 Sam 12:14-15***



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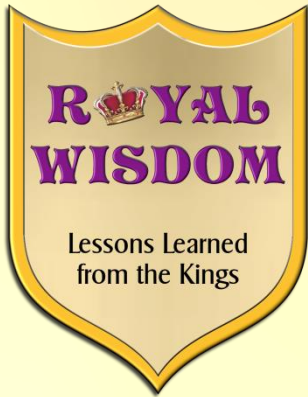
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Consider how God views disobedience today.

- To sin willfully. ***Heb 10:26-31***
- Falling prey to false doctrines. ***2 Pet 2:19-22***
- Not obeying the gospel. ***2 Thess 1:8-10***



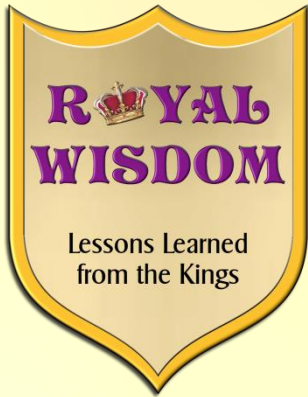
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Lesson 3: We cannot justify disobedience.

Saul tried to justify his sinful actions. ***1 Sam 13:11-13; 15:15, 20-21, 24***



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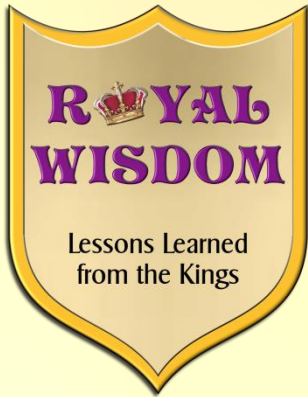
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No amount of justification will make rebellion acceptable to God.

Lying, sexual immorality, cursing, etc. cannot be justified. *Eph 4:25-32, Col 3:5-11, Rom 1:18-32*

No justification will change God's mind.



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## *The Story of King Saul*

### Conclusion

Three lessons from royal wisdom:

- Recognize the Lord has lifted us up.
- Avoid rebelling against the Lord.
- No amount of justification will make rebellion acceptable to God.

Learn from King Saul and choose to serve the Lord in faithful and humble obedience.