

HISTORY

IN 1 & 2 SAMUEL

1 Samuel
8:6-11



PROPHET PRIEST KING

Three Kings
Saul, David and Absalom

2 Samuel
14:25-26

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Three Kings

⁶As the troops were coming back, when David was returning from killing the Philistine, the women came out from all the cities of Israel to meet King Saul, singing and dancing with tambourines, with shouts of joy, and with three-stringed instruments. ⁷As they danced, the women sang: Saul has killed his thousands, but David his tens of thousands. ⁸Saul was furious and resented this song. "They credited tens of thousands to David," he complained, "but they only credited me with thousands. What more can he have but the kingdom?" ⁹So Saul watched David jealously from that day forward. ¹⁰The next day an evil spirit sent from God came powerfully on Saul, and he began to rave inside the palace. David was playing the lyre as usual, but Saul was holding a spear, ¹¹and he threw it, thinking, "I'll pin David to the wall." But David got away from him twice.

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²⁵No man in all Israel was as handsome and highly praised as Absalom. From the sole of his foot to the top of his head, he did not have a single flaw. ²⁶When he shaved his head—he shaved it at the end of every year because his hair got so heavy for him that he had to shave it off—he would weigh the hair from his head and it would be five pounds according to the royal standard.

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Jesus is revealed in the lives of Saul, David, and Absalom in different and contrasting ways.

Saul reveals the futility of kingship apart from full obedience to God, pointing us to the need for a better King: Jesus.

David points us to Jesus as the true and righteous King, a shepherd, warrior, and servant.

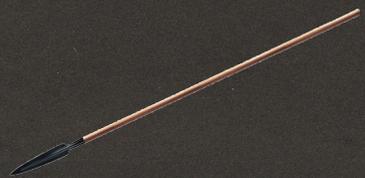
Absalom shows us the danger of rebellion and counterfeit kingship, making us long for the true Son and rightful King: Jesus.

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Three Kings

A King Wants to Control Your Life

King Saul Represents Envy
A Spirit of Jealousy, A Spirit of Envy, A Spirit of Anger



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A King Wants to Control Your Life

King Saul Represents Envy
King David Represents Submission
The Spirit of the Lord Jesus

¹ Peter 2:21-23
²¹For you were called to this, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that **you should follow in his steps**. ²²He did not commit sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth; ²³when he was insulted, he did not insult in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten but entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.



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King Saul Represents Envy
King David Represents Submission
King Absalom Represents Rebellion

Selfish Ambition

REBELLION

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Understand How God Works

PATIENCE

SUBMISSION

Brokenness



usefulness

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Jesus

MY KING!

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