

**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

I SAMUEL 9:1 – 10:27

Day 1 – Read I Samuel 9:1 – 10:27

1. What part of the lecture on I Samuel 7:3 – 8:22 was most significant to you?

Day 2 – Review I Samuel 9:1-16

2.
 - a. Describe Saul's physical appearance.
 - b. What was his family and financial position?
 - c. How do you think Saul compared in the eyes of the people to the aged Samuel?
3. What was the loss that brought Saul and his servant to Samuel?
4.
 - a. What titles are given to Samuel in verses 6-10?
 - b. What statement in verse 6 shows Samuel to be fulfilling his call as prophet?
5.
 - a. For what purpose did the young maidens think Samuel was in the city?
 - b. For what purpose of God was Samuel in the city?

Day 3 – Review I Samuel 9:17-27

6. a. What was Samuel's first message to Saul? (verses 19, 20 – 7 parts)
 - b. What part of the message fulfilled Saul's purpose in seeing Samuel?
 - c. Saul had his mind so set on his lost property and his family obligations that when the "call to service" came from the man of God, Saul was overwhelmed. On what do you set your mind?
 - d. On what does the apostle Paul instruct Christians to "set their minds?" See Colossians 3:2. Ask God to help you do this.
 - e. What reason did Saul give for not being the right choice?
7. What did Samuel say and do that showed he had prepared for Saul?
 8. In what place/places did Samuel reveal God's plan to Saul?

Day 4 – Review I Samuel 10:1-24

9. What is the significance of the anointing with oil? See Exodus 30:22-33.
10. a. What were the 3 signs Saul was to look for when he departed from Samuel?

- b. What was the purpose of these signs? (vs. 7)
11. Compare I Samuel 10:6, 9 and II Corinthians 5:17. What do these verses reveal to you about the Lord's power?
12. a. What was the method given in verses 20, 21 to determine the choice of a king?
- b. What verses would make you believe the selection was directed by God?
- c. If the Israelites had not been looking to the Lord, the choosing of Saul by lot would have seemed by chance. What are some happenings in your life that might have seemed to outsiders to be by chance when actually they were answers to prayers?
13. a. What was Saul's reaction to being chosen? (vs. 21, 22)
- b. Do you recall an instance when you were called out to serve the Lord and you felt like "hiding" as Saul hid? Explain.
- c. See Psalm 17:8, 32:7, 119:114. In whom can we hide?
14. What was the Israelites' response to Samuel's presentation?

Day 5 – Review I Samuel 10:25-27

15. Saul encounters two groups of people after his presentation.
- a. What do they represent?

b. What is Saul's reaction in verse 27?

16. a. Review 9:1 – 10:27, list the aspects of Saul's character given in these specific verses:

(1) 9:3

(4) 10:16

(2) 9:5

(5) 10:21, 22

(3) 9:21

(6) 10:27

b. Using your answers to #2 and #16, what do you think attracted the Israelites to Saul?

17. What are the characteristics by which we should be attracted to our Christian leaders as given in these Scriptures?

a. Acts 6:3-5

b. Romans 6:17

c. I Thessalonians 2:2-13

d. I Timothy 4:11-16

e. II John 9-11

f. III John 11

Pray, asking for a discerning spirit (see I John 4:1-6) as you seek and find leaders with these characteristics.