

I Samuel

- Portrays Jesus Christ, our King!
- Israel comes of age...
- Story of 4 men: Eli (priest), Samuel (prophet), Saul (king), and David
- All 4 failed, but NOT Jesus – our perfect Prophet, Priest + King!

Overview

1. Failure of Priestly office – Eli
2. Forming of Prophetic office – Samuel
3. Founding of Princely office – Saul, David

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Failure of Priestly office – Eli

- Failure as a **Priest** (1:9,13;2:27-36)
- Failure as a **Parent** (2:12-17,22-25)

Forming of Prophetic office – Samuel

- Samuel as a **Person**
 - His Birth
 - His Boyhood
- Samuel as a **Prophet**
 - Teaching the people (4:1-7:14)
 - To Wait (4-6)
 - To War (7:1-14)
 - Reaching the people (7:15-17)

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Founding of Princely office – Saul,
David

- The **Tragedy of Saul** (8-15)
 - The finding of Saul (8-10)
 - The fitness of Saul (11-12)
 - The failure of Saul (13-15)
- The **Training of David** (16-31)
 - As a lover of God (years as shepherd)
 - As a lord over self (years as courtier)
 - As a leader of men (years as outlaw)

Main Lessons

Mighty men have failed through:

- **Pride** – Saul
- **Passivity** – Eli, Samuel, David