

**1. Intro: 1 Samuel 8:4-5 — Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now make us a \_\_\_\_\_ to judge us like all the nations.”**

1. Why did the Israelites want a king?
  1. Samuel was \_\_\_\_\_
  2. His sons were \_\_\_\_\_
  3. They wanted to be \_\_\_\_\_ the other \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was the Lord’s response?
  1. 1 Samuel 8:7 — And the Lord said to Samuel, “Heed the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have \_\_\_\_\_ Me, that I should not \_\_\_\_\_ over them.

Principle #1 — God _____ despite our _____ of Him
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Principle #2 — God gives _____ to our _____ of _____
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**2. Kingly Desires: 1 Samuel 8:19-20 — Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, “No, but we will have a king over us, that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may \_\_\_\_\_ us and \_\_\_\_\_ us and \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_.”**

1. They wanted to be like the other nations
  1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who was their king up to this point?
  1. Judge: Isaiah 33:22 — (For the Lord is our \_\_\_\_\_, The Lord is our \_\_\_\_\_, The Lord is our King; He will save us);
  2. Go out before: Isaiah 52:12 — For you shall not go out with haste, Nor go by flight; For the Lord will \_\_\_\_\_ you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard.
  3. Fight battles: Deuteronomy 20:4 — ... for the Lord your God is He who goes with you, to \_\_\_\_\_ for you against your enemies, to \_\_\_\_\_ you.
3. What did the Israelites actually want?
  1. They wanted a \_\_\_\_\_ king
3. Fast Forward 1000 Years...
  1. **John 19:12-15 — But they cried out, “Away with Him, away with Him! Crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your \_\_\_\_\_?” The chief priests answered, “We have no \_\_\_\_\_ but Caesar!”**
  2. What the Israelites desired eventually led them to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_

Principle #3 — Keep your eyes on the _____!
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