**SAMUEL ANOINTS SAUL**

 1 Samuel 10:1-27 Key Verse: 10:1

“Then Samuel took a flask of oil and poured it on Saul’s head and kissed him, saying, ‘Has not the Lord anointed you leader over his inheritance?’”

1. Read verses 1-6. What does Samuel do to make Saul king? (1; 1Sa 9:17) How do these events show us Samuel’s obedience to God? (8:6-9; 9:22-10:1) What signs will confirm Saul’s anointing? (2-5) What will happen to Saul when the Spirit of the Lord comes upon him? (6)
2. Read verses 7-16. What instructions does Samuel give Saul? (7-8) What happens to Saul that day? (9) What happens when Saul and his servant arrive at Gibeah? (10) What response do people have to Saul’s unexpected behavior? (11-13) What does Saul’s uncle ask and how does Saul reply?  (14-16)
3. Read verses 17-24. What does Samuel tell the Israelites at Mizpah? (17-19) How is Saul chosen? (20) What does Saul’s hiding suggest about him (21-22)? How did the people respond? (24b)
4. Read verses 25-27. What does Samuel do before dismissing the people? (25) What does this teach us about the nature of kingship? How do two groups of people react differently when Saul goes home? (26-27)