

The background of the entire image features black silhouettes of men against a solid blue background. On the left, two men stand close together, one with his arm around the other. In the center, two men are shown from the waist up, holding hands and reaching outwards. On the right, a man is depicted in a dynamic pose, leaning forward with his arms extended. In the bottom right corner, another man is shown in a similar dynamic pose, reaching upwards. The overall composition suggests themes of community, support, and personal growth.

CONNECT AND GROW WITH FELLOW
BROTHERS IN CHRIST

@ the
Community
Care Building

Men's Study
Thursday, June 5th
@ 7 pm

TACKLING TOUGH QUESTIONS

What are the 4 views of Baptism?
June 22nd, 6 -7:30 pm

And... why does LWCC hold to our
view as the most biblically accurate?

1 SAMUEL

(Heard by God)

*A powerfully, true story with shadows & types
of the coming Prophet, Priest, & King*



**Unfaithful Priests
vs. Our Faithful,
Eternal, High
Priest**

Leading Up to 1 Samuel Chapter 2:22

2091 B.C./ 1859 B.C. - Abrahamic Covenant/ Messianic tribe identified

1446 B.C./ 1445 B.C. – Exodus occurs & Torah given/ Tabernacle built

1399 B.C. **Joshua 18** – Joshua has the Tabernacle set up in Shiloh

1100 B.C./ 1096 B.C. **1 Samuel 1** – Samuel is born/ He is given to Eli

1446 B.C./ 1096 B.C. **Leviticus 3 & 1 Samuel 2** – God's law for the priests confirmed/ Eli's sons' actions were grievously against Yahweh

1096 B.C. **1 Samuel 2** – Eli's sons Hophni and Phinehas were wicked priests who instructed their servants to take Yahweh's sacrifice

1 Samuel 2:22-26 (NASB₁₉₉₅) ²² Now Eli was very old; and he heard all that his sons were doing to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who served at the doorway of the tent of meeting. ²³ He said to them, Do you seek the Lord to be cleansed from all unrighteousness? people? ²⁴ "No, my sons; for the report is not good which I hear the LORD'S people circulating. ²⁵ "If one man sins against another, God will mediate for him; but if a man sins against the LORD, who can intercede for him?" But they would not listen to the voice of their father, for the LORD desired to put them to death. ²⁶ Now the boy Samuel was growing in stature and in favor both with the LORD and with men.

*Committing sin is bad.
Causing others in God's
kingdom to sin is even
worse, yet they were
unwilling to repent.*

Hebrews 7:25 (CSB) *Therefore, he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, since he always lives to intercede for them.*
Luke 2:52 (NIV) *And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.*

1 Samuel 2:27-30 (NIV) ²⁷ Now a man of God came to Eli and said to him, "This is what the LORD says: 'Did I not clearly reveal myself to your ancestor's family when they were in Egypt under Pharaoh?' ²⁸ **I chose your ancestor out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest,** to go up to my altar, to burn incense, and to wear an ephod in my presence.

I also gave your ancestor's family all the food offerings presented by the Israelites. ²⁹ **Why do you scorn my sacrifice and offering that I prescribed for my dwelling? Why do you honor your sons more than me by fattening yourselves on the choice parts of every offering made by**

my people Israel?' ³⁰ "Therefore the LORD, the God of Israel, declares: 'I promised that members of your family would minister before me forever.' But now the LORD declares: 'Far be it from me! **Those who honor me I will honor, but those who despise me will be disdained.**

Do your words, actions, and thoughts honor the Lord?

1 Samuel 2:31-33 (LSB) ³¹ Behold, the days are coming, and I will break your strength and the strength of your father's house so that there will not be an old man in your house. ³² And you will look upon the distress of *My* habitation, in *spite of* all the good that I do for Israel; and an old man will not be in your house all the days. ³³ Yet I will not cut off every man of yours from My altar so that your eyes will fail *from weeping* and your soul grieve, and all the increase of your house will be put to death in the prime of life.

Hebrews 7:28 (NKJV) *For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever*

God continued to fulfill in 1 Kings 2 after Eli's great-grandson, Abiathar, conspired with Adonijah to take the Kingship from David. Solomon put Zadok in charge in the priesthood

Do you realize how blessed we are to live in the age where Jesus, our Prophet, High Priest, and King will never be replaced?

1 Samuel 2:34-36 (ESV) ³⁴ And this that shall come upon your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, shall be the sign to you: both of them shall die on the same day. ³⁵ And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. ³⁶ And everyone who is left in your house shall come to implore him for a piece of silver or a loaf of bread and shall say, "Please put me in one of the priests' places, that I may eat a morsel of bread."""

Though Eli spoke to his sons, he should have teamed with other Levites to control or remove his sons as priests. Instead, God removed them

John 6:35 (CSB) "I am the bread of life," Jesus told them. "No one who comes to me will ever be hungry, and no one who believes in me will ever be thirsty again."

Hebrews 7:24 (NLT) But because Jesus lives forever, his priesthood lasts forever

Do you abide in Christ for the nourishment only He can provide?