## BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS

Starts on 21st september 21st 9:10 - 9:40 am

CLASS

Part 1: What's the Bible & Why do we view it as God's word?

Fill out an interest sheet

## 1 SANUEL

(Heard by God)



## TeloRD sees not as Man Sees

## Leading Up to 1 Samuel Chapter 16

- 2091 B.C. 1399 B.C. From Abraham's call to Israel's settlement
- 1100 B.C. 1042 B.C. **1 Samuel 1- 12** Samuel is born; Israel & their priests are unfaithful; the ark is stolen & returned; Israel repents... then asks for king; Saul is chosen as first king; Saul defeats Nahash; Samuel transitions power, & God sends lightning and thunder as a sign.
- 1041 B.C. **1 Samuel 13** Saul, out of fear, unlawfully presents God's offering when Samuel is late. Samuel says his kingdom will not endure.
  - 1041 B.C. **1 Samuel 14** Jonathan & his armor bearer proceed with faith vs. 20 Philistines & Israel has a victory. Saul makes a rash vow.
  - 1028 B.C. <u>1 Samuel 15</u> Saul is called to bring judgment on the Amalekites. Saul gives excuses for his actions (& sets up a monument to himself). Samuel tells him obedience is better than sacrifice.

1 Samuel 16:1-5 (LSB) 1 Then Yahweh said to Samuel, "How long will you be grieving over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and go; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I see among his sons a king for Me." 2 But Samuel said, "How can I go? Saul will hear *of it* and will kill me." Then Yahweh said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to Yahweh'. <sup>3</sup> And you shall invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will make you know what you shall do; and you shall anoint for Me the one whom I say to you." 4 So Samuel did what Yahweh said and came to Bethlehem. And the elders of the city came trembling to meet him and said, "Do you come in peace?" 5 And he said, "In peace; I have come to sacrifice to Yahweh. Set yourselves apart as holy and come with me to the sacrifice." He also set apart Jesse and his sons as holy and invited them to the sacrifice.

**1 Samuel 16:6-11 (ESV)** 6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before him." 7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." 9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." 10 And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." 1 Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down Do you ask the Holy Spirit to see with His eyes?

I Samuel 16:12-14 (NIV) <sup>12</sup> So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one." <sup>13</sup> So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David.

Samuel then went to Ramah. 14 Now the Spirit of the LORD had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him.

It is possible that David was born of a different woman, but God looked at his heart. Note that from the time of the anointing, God's Spirit Saul's refusal to repent from his disobedience resulted in the LORD allowing an evil spirit to torment him. An unrepentant heart opens

Is your heart inclined toward the Lord so that the Holy Spirit can work powerfully through you?

1 Samuel 16:15-18 (NKJV) 15 And Saul's servants said to him, "Surely, a distressing spirit from God is troubling you. 16 Let our master now command your servants, who are before you, to seek out a man who is a skillful player on the harp; and it shall be that he will play it with his hand when the distressing spirit from God is upon you, and you shall be well." 17 So Saul said to his servants, "Provide me now a man who can play well, and bring him to me." 18 Then one of the servants answered and said, "Look, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, who is skillful in playing, a mighty man of valor, a man of war, prudent in speech, and a handsome person; and the LORD is with him." 19 Therefore Saul sent messengers to Jesse, and said, "Send me your son David, who *is* with the sheep."

Do you seek the fulfilled "Son of David" for all areas of deliverance?

**1 Samuel 16:20-23 (CSB)** <sup>20</sup> So Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a wineskin, and one young goat and sent them by his son David to Saul. <sup>21</sup> When David came to Saul and entered his service, Saul loved him very much, and David became his armor-bearer. <sup>22</sup> Then Saul sent word to Jesse: "Let David remain in my service, for he has found favor with me." <sup>23</sup> Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would pick up his lyre and play, and Saul would then be relieved, feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.

David's gift of the Holy Spirit was the greatest gift that was brought. Saul recognized David's skill as a warrior (Note: Historical books are pot always in chronological order) Sadly, Saul's attitude toward David was self-serving and would soon change. Note how God can powerfully work through music, which is one of God's most powerful artistic creations

Do you know that music, people, and even evil spirits can be used by God to accomplish His purpose? He is sovereign.