

# IN SEARCH OF THE KING

Community Group Questions

1 Samuel 11-12 You and Your King



#### **Focus**

Saul is proven to be the king whom God has chosen in response to His people's demand for a king. Equipped by the Spirit of God, Saul can bring salvation from the Philistines, but the future depends on the submission of this king to the King of Kings.

## **OPENING QUESTION**

Do you have someone who prays regularly for you? If so, in what way has that proven to be a blessing in your life?

#### READ

1 Samuel 11-12

## Some Questions for Study and Reflection

As chapter 11 opens, what's the danger God's people are facing?

What does Saul do when he learns of the situation?

Compare II:I-II with what we saw last week in chapter 10. How is the situation Saul's facing similar to what he was called to do in 10:5-8? What's the difference in Saul's behavior between these two chapters?

How do the people respond to the salvation Saul brings them?

Last week we were introduced to Saul. Has your thinking about Saul developed or changed in any way?

Looking at Samuel's farewell address in chapter 12, what do you learn about:

- Samuel and his leadership?
- God and His ways?
- The people and their ways?



CLOSING REFLECTION AND APPLICATION What idols are you most struggling not to worship and trust right now?

In light of these chapters, reflect back on the question in 10:27. How would you answer that question now?

What will it look like for you to fear the Lord, serve Him, and obey His voice? What changes do you need to make in your life for this to happen?

Review Samuel's last words in chapter 12. What stands out to you? Share your thoughts.

Consider that if you're a Christian, the phrase you and your king is a wholly wonderful phrase. In what way is your identity, salvation, and destiny wrapped up with your king?

How might we as a group commit to not ceasing to pray for each other? Why is this so important in the Christian life?

Read Hebrews 7:25. What does this tell us Jesus does for us unceasingly? How might that help you in the day-to-day battles of life and temptation?