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Sunday 8th May 2016

Questions for Small Groups May 8th 2016 :-

1 . Read 1 Samuel 8:1-9 and 18-22

Discuss briefly why did the Israelites reject the judge Samuel and want a King to rule over them ?

2. Tim said “ God is committed to the secret places of our heartswe see the insidious nature of a comparative spirit One of the signs of a sick heart is envy / covetousness “ . Discuss this and why do we measure our lives against someone else and what should we be doing about this ?

3. Tim said , “Saul had no equal amongst the Israeliteshe was impressivehad so much.....but he lived for what others saw rather than what God thinksand he was anointed by God’s spirit ... yet he had a fatal flaw” . What was this fatal flaw and do we see it in ourselves?

4. Read 1 Samuel 15:1-3 and 8-11 and 20-23 . How often do we blame others so what is the significance of this story to us ?

5. Saul realised he had sinned but he wanted Samuel to honour him among his people more than anything , so is this a sin we are also guilty of and if so what should we really be doing with our lives ?

6. How should we handle criticism by others- share anonymous stories of a time when you felt you had been unfairly criticised ?

