



GROUP DISCUSSION | Week 2: All-Stars of 1 Samuel

SERIES OVERVIEW

Welcome to “All-Stars,” a series that uses America’s favorite pastime as a launch angle to unpack *heroes of the Old Testament*. Built from the stories highlighted in Hebrews 11, brace yourself for an inspiring and captivating summer series where new players get called up weekly.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE:

Think of this discussion guide as a springboard. Use what’s helpful to your group, but don’t be afraid to share what you’ve studied. Throughout this series, each week’s speaker will provide Discussion Questions found below.

CONNECTION

Read Romans 1:20 Then share one of your favorite outdoor memories. Maybe it was hiking, camping, canoeing, star gazing, hunting, fishing or whatever? Where did you go and what did you do? How has God made Himself evident through that experience?

Read 1 Samuel 1:27- 28 How did Hannah demonstrate her faith? Who shared their faith in your life? How?

DISCUSSION

The Elders of Israel are afraid of the Ammonites and they come to Samuel asking him to appoint a king for them to judge them like all the nations. Is this wrong? Why or why not?

Read 1 Samuel 8:6-7 How did Samuel react to their request? Why?

If it was God’s plan for Israel to have a king after His heart, why did God allow them to have King Saul?

Does God allow us to choose a path based on world standards instead of being guided by the Word? Why?

God asks Samuel to anoint Saul as king. Do you think this was difficult for Samuel? Why or why not? What does it tell you about Samuel’s faith? What does it tell you about God?

Read 1 Samuel 12:7 and 17 How does Samuel call the people of Israel to repent? How can we apply this today when we know people who are not following God’s plan? How does this demonstrate faith?

Read 1 Samuel 12:20-24 How can we encourage each other to stay strong in our faith?

PRAYER

Samuel did not quit on the people of God in their disobedience. Spend time praying for repentant hearts for the people we know. May we love unconditionally and trust faithfully for God to do great things!