

# The Book Of 1 Samuel

## Wednesday Noon Bible Study

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## Lesson 14 Finding God's Will

- Every saint wants to know what is God's will about this matter or in this situation. One of the things we will learn in today's lesson is a truth about discovering God's will

### 1<sup>st</sup> Point Busy In The Service Of The Lord (1 Samuel 9:12-14)

- If we remember from last week that Saul and his servant were searching for *"the man of God"*, Samuel.
- When they arrive in Samuel town they discovered that the *"man of God"* was on his way to nearby high place.
- That's significant because a high place was a place of worship.
- The true *"man of God"* is busy doing what the *"man of God"* should be doing.

#### Here is the truth about the will of God:

- **The will of God is discovered as we are doing the will of God.**
- *It was, as Samuel is busy doing what God commanded him to do, Samuel discovers the next thing that God wanted him to do.*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Point Obedience Leads Us To The Next Step (1 Samuel 9:15-19)

- These verses tell us that the day before Samuel and Saul would actually meet, God had told Samuel that he would be meeting Saul, the future king.
- Saints, once again we must remember the words of **Proverbs 3:5-6**.
- Samuel had to put faith in the Word of God.
- God told, the *"man of God"* Samuel, exactly what to do.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Point The Providence Of God (1 Samuel 9:17)

- Samuel and Saul meeting at the time and place wasn't a coincidence or an accident.
- For Saul this was just another ordinary day in his life.
- **There are no ordinary days in the life of the saint of God!**
- It's the providence of God. The providence of God is God working in the background, controlling, bringing people, events, actions, together to accomplish HIS will, HIS purpose, HIS plans.
- The woman at the well in **John 4** is the providence of God.
- Moses in the desert in **Exodus 3** is the providence of God.

There are 100 of examples in the Bible of the Providence of God.

*Saints, so many things in our lives are instances where the providence of God is at work*

### 4<sup>th</sup> Point Learning Lessons From Life's Encounters (1 Samuel 9:18-27)

- A) Saul learned who the *"man of God"* was (**vvs. 18-19**)
- B) Saul mind was put at ease about his father's donkeys (**v. 20**)
- C) Saul's learned that he was the choice to be the first king of Israel (**vvs. 21-27**)
- D) Saul learned that God takes ordinary and does extraordinary things (**v. 21**)  
*You see, in Saul's mind he wasn't some, what we call, a "bigshot"*
- E) Saul would find himself being honored (**v. 22**). He was given the seat of honor at the table of 30 men. Here Saul does demonstrate the quality of godly leader. He showed humility.
- F) Saul was given "the best" (**v. 23**)
- G) What Saul received was already planned and prepared in advance (**vvs. 23-24**)

Is that not what the Word of God says to the saint of God in **1 Corinthians 2:9**?