Rise of Saul - I Sam 9-15

Anointing of Saul (9-10)	Ammonites Defeat/Samuel's Final Address (11-12)	Clash with Philistines (13-14)	Saul's failure and Rejection (15)
Chapter 9 - A Benjamite - Son of Kish - Family of wealth and influence - Handsome and tall - Lost donkeys = lost wealth - Kish sent Saul to look for the donkeys - The servant suggested going to see the seer (prophet - Samuel) - Saul finds Samuel and goes to eat with him at a sacrifice - Samuel has a place of honor for Saul - gives him a place to sleep and sends him away in the morning Chapter 10 - Lord chose Saul to be the leader of Israel - Samuel anoints him with oil - sets him apart for God's service - Spirit of the Lord will come on him and he will become like another man - Saul presented to the people as their kings	 11:1-4 Nahash = snake The covenant will be made if Nahash gouges out the right eye of all the Israelites Give us 7 days and see if anyone comes to our aid 5-11 Saul comes in from the field Saul was filled with indignation Victory over the Ammonites Vs 8? A split in the kingdom - prophecy? 12-15 now the people recognize Saul as king Saul recognized that God delivered them in this battle 12:1-5 end of Samuel's life He listened to their voice and appointed a king Faithful witness for God for many years 6-11 the people rejected God as king 12-18 The king was of their choosing You and your king need to follow Me 19-25 people recognize their sins - including asking for a king The Lord will not abandon His people Samuel will continue to pray for them and instruct them If you act wickedly, you will be swept away 	 1-7 Jonathan smiting the garrison of the Philistines Because they were odious in the sight of the Philistines - the people were terrified of retaliation The people hide from this "danger" 8-14 people were scattering Saul did not wait for Samuel Saul was going to take absolute power - test of Saul's obedience He acted disobediently and God withdrew His favor from him God has already chosen a man after His own heart (David) 15-23 Israel had no weapons Israel had to go to the Philistines to get their tools sharpened Philistines charged high prices for their tools 14:1-10 Jonathan and his armor bearer are creeping toward the Philistine camp Let's make ourselves known and see how the Philistines respond 11-23 Jonathan goes into the camp - kills 20 men God brings an earthquake Saul charges out without God's direction 24-46 Saul makes an oath - that no man will eat until the Philistines are taken care of Jonathan is blamed that more Philistines were not killed People stand behind Jonathan 	 1-3 Saul is to kill the Amalekites - all the people and the animals 4-9 spared Agag (king) Kept the best of the animals and all that was good 10-19 Saul set up a monument to himself at Carmel Saul says he carried out God's commands Saul shifts all the blame on the Israelites - taking none for himself He did what was evil in the sight of the Lord 20-24 Saul's excuses - I did everything I was told and even brought back the king, the people are the ones who took things - but only to offer them as sacrifices to God To OBEY is better than sacrifice Saul confesses his sin but still blames the people for his sins - he is more afraid of the people than of God God rejected Saul from being king 25-31 Samuel goes with Saul before the people - but Saul knows he has been rejected 32-35 Samuel in righteous judgment kills Agag - hacks him to pieces Samuel leaves Saul's presence and won't see him again