

# Sermon Outline

## Twilight Kingdom

An introduction to 1 Samuel

**Introduction:** Is it really darkest before the dawn?

**I. The genre, authorship and organization of Samuel**

**II. Twilight to Sunrise: The dawning of a kingdom**

### Chapters 1-7: Samuel

Elkanah, Penninah, Hannah, Eli (1:20)

Samuel: The boy, the prophet (3:1, 10, 20)

The Ark of the Covenant (ch. 4-7)

Summary (7:15-17)

### Chapters 8-15: Saul

The people ask (sha-al) for a king (8:1-9)

Saul (sha-ul) is anointed king, by Samuel

Saul the hero (14:46-52)

Saul the villain, rejected as king (15:23-23)

### Chapters 16-31: David

A man “after God’s own heart”

But far from perfect

**III. Sunrise to High Noon: The Son Also Rises**

1. Samuel as a type of Christ (prophet, priest, king)

2. Samuel as part of the shadows of Deuteronomistic History  
leaves us wanting more ...