

**I. Whose son is this? 17:55-56**

- A. Whose son is this? (see 16:21; 17:25, 32-37, 48-54)
- B. Saul is sounding out a potential threat to his own kingdom.

**II. Victory with humility. 17:57-58**

- A. Already anointed
- B. Human ambition: now is the time to take the kingship!

**III. The friendship of Jonathan and David. 18:1-5**

- A. Saul took him that day. (see 1 Samuel 8:11-12)
- B. Jonathan's love for David. (see John 15:13; 1 Samuel 14:6; 17:45-47)
- C. The bond of friendship.
- D. Friendship makes communities.
- E. Worship makes us a people
- F. What's up with the clothes and the armor? (see 1 Samuel 20:42)
- G. He must increase, but I must decrease.

**IV. Willingness to accept from God the rule of Another.**

- A. Often when we speak of the gospel, the *priestly* work of Jesus Christ is our focus
- B. The gospel here is brings us to our need for a good King.
- C. The king of promise. (see Psalm 2:2; 110:4; Isaiah 52:13-15; Revelation 4ff.)
- D. Who will be your king?