

A Study in 1 Samuel
A King After God's Own Heart
Introduction
Part 1

I. The Book.

One Book

Authorship Cf. 2 Tim.3:16; 2 Pet.1:20,21

Date

II. The Times.

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|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 2000 BC | 1500 | 1375 | ****1000 | Christ |
| Patriarchs | Exodus/Conquest/Judges | Monarchy | | |
| Abraham | Moses Joshua | Saul, David, Solomon | | |

III. The Transition.

A transition from a loose confederation of 12 tribes to a united monarchy. Cf. Judges 21:25; 1 Sam.8:5,7

"The book of Samuel helps us see a key component in the way God achieves His project of redemption; From Israel, the royal line of David will be key in providing the King who will heal the brokenness of the entire world."
JD Greear/Heath Thomas [Exalting Jesus in 1 & 2 Samuel](#)

IV. The Characters.

Hannah – a barren woman. 1 Sam.1,2

Samuel – a prophet-judge raised up by God's grace. 1 Sam.3-7

Saul – a man after his own heart. 1 Sam.8-15

David – a man after God's own heart. 1 Sam.16 – 2 Sam.24
Cf. 1 Sam.13:14; 16:7,12,13

V. The Story within a Story.

Cf. Acts 16:13-23