

# Weekly Discussion Guide – 6-18-2023

“The Prophet and the King, Part 1”

1 Samuel 8:4-22

1. Read 1 Samuel 8:1-22. Why did Israel want a king? (Verses 5, 19-20)
2. What motive of Israel did God reveal to Samuel? (Verse 7)
3. Read 1 Samuel 10:17-24. How does God begin his address to Israel?
4. How does this passage depict Saul?
5. In verse 24, Samuel refers to Saul as “the man the LORD has chosen.” But in what way was God giving Israel what *they* had chosen?
6. Part of the human condition we see in King Saul involves thinking too much or too little of ourselves. Does one come more naturally to you?
7. Think about your responsibilities, your talents, your relationships, and your circles of influence. In what ways are you trying to make much of God? In what ways do you feel challenged to make much of God?