## **SERMON OUTLINE**

## The Danger of Getting What you Want 1 Samuel 8

- I. Ungodly Leaders: Samuel made his sons judges, but they were ungodly (1 Samuel 8: 1-3).
  - Spiritual leaders are made not born.
- II. Wrongful Request: Israel's leaders told Samuel they wanted a king (1 Samuel 8: 4-5).
  - A. Israel blamed Samuel's sons for their request (4).
  - B. Israel actually just wanted to be like other nations (5).
    - We basically just want to be like the world.
- III. God's Permissive Will: God told Samuel to give them a king (1 Samuel 8:6-9).
  - A. God said they rejected Him, not Samuel (6-8).
    - Refusing godly advice is about refusing God.
  - B. God said to warn them about having a king (9).
    - God may permit us to have what is not His best.
- IV. God's Warnings: Israel would pay a price for getting what others had (1 Samuel 8: 10-18).
  - A. A king would take their children and money (10-17).
    - If we get what the world has, we will face what the world faces (10-17).
  - B. God may not answer their prayers (18).
    - Getting our way can forfeit getting God's help.
- V. Loving the World: God let Israel get what they wanted (1 Samuel 8: 19-22).
  - The greatest cost to loving the world is losing our love for God (1 John 2:15-17; Psalm 73:23-26).

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