
SERMON OUTLINE

The importance of full obedience

1 Samuel 15

- A. God clearly and specifically instructed Saul (15:1-6).
 - a. Destroy the Amalekites and their livestock completely (1-3; Exodus 17).
 - b. Saul warned the Kenites first (4-6).
- B. Saul disobeyed God by choosing to only partially obey (15:7-9).
 - A. Saul destroyed the Amalekites, but spared their king Agag (7-8).
 - B. Saul destroyed much livestock but spared the best livestock (9).
- C. Samuel confronted Saul declaring that God had rejected him as king (15:10-23).
 - A. God and Samuel both grieve over Saul's disobedience and rejection as king (10-11).
 - B. Samuel confronts Saul's sin and excuses (12-21).
 - C. Main Point: *God cares about obedience, not religious activity* (22-23).
- D. Saul admitted his sin, felt regret and was allowed to worship (15:24-31).
 - A. Saul admits his sin and his motive of trying to please people (24).
 - B. Saul begs for God to reverse his consequences, which He does not (25-29).
 - C. Saul begs to worship God which Samuel allows (30-31).
- E. Samuel finished what Saul failed to do (15:31-33)
 - A. Samuel executes king Agag (31-33).
 - B. Samuel never goes to see Saul again (34-35).
 - *Repentance is measured by action, not emotion.*

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