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Trust God's Call
1 Samuel 9-10

Q. Where do you put your trust? In what do you trust?

How do we make God's call our reality?

I. The world's _____ are not enough.

1 Sam 9:1-2 Now there was a man of Benjamin whose name was Kish the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Becorath, the son of Aphiah, the son of a Benjamite, a mighty man of valor. ²He had a son whose name was Saul, a choice and handsome man, and there was not a more handsome person than he among the sons of Israel; from his shoulders and up he was taller than any of the people.

What does the world look for in its leaders?

What are the world's qualifications for what you feel called to do in life?

II. God's _____ is not enough.

1 Sam 10:1,6 Then Samuel took the flask of oil, poured it on his head, kissed him and said, "Has not the LORD anointed you a ruler over His inheritance? ⁶Then the Spirit of the LORD will come upon you mightily, and you shall prophesy with them and be changed into another man."

1 Sam 10:9-13 Then it happened when he turned his back to leave Samuel, God changed his heart; and all those signs came about on that day. ¹⁰When they came to the hill there, behold, a group of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him mightily, so that he prophesied among them. ¹¹It came about, when all who knew him previously saw that he prophesied now with the prophets, that the people said to one another, "What has happened to the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?" ¹²A man there said, "Now, who is their father?" Therefore it became a proverb: "Is Saul also among the prophets?" ¹³When he had finished prophesying, he came to the high place.

III. You must _____.

A. Saul was _____ of God's call.

1 Sam 10:14-16 Now Saul's uncle said to him and his servant, "Where did you go?" And he said, "To look for the donkeys. When we saw that they could not be found, we went to Samuel." ¹⁵Saul's uncle said, "Please tell me what Samuel said to you." ¹⁶So Saul said to his uncle, "He told us plainly that the donkeys had been found." But he did not tell him about the matter of the kingdom which Samuel had mentioned.

B. He _____ God's call.

1 Sam 10:17-24 Thereafter Samuel called the people together to the LORD at Mizpah; ¹⁸and he said to the sons of Israel, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'I brought Israel up from Egypt, and I delivered you from the hand of the Egyptians and from the power of all the kingdoms that were oppressing you.' ¹⁹But you have today rejected your God, who delivers you from all your calamities and your distresses; yet you have said, 'No, but set a king over us!' Now therefore, present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes and by your clans." ²⁰Thus Samuel brought all the tribes of Israel near, and the tribe of Benjamin was taken by lot. ²¹Then he brought the tribe of Benjamin near by its families, and the Matrite family was taken. And Saul the son of Kish was taken; but when they looked for him, he could not be found. ²²Therefore they inquired further of the LORD, "Has the man come here yet?" So the LORD said, "Behold, he is hiding himself by the baggage." ²³So they ran and took him from there, and when he stood among the people, he was taller than any of the people from his shoulders upward. ²⁴Samuel said to all the people, "Do you see him whom the LORD has chosen? Surely there is no one like him among all the people." So all the people shouted and said, "Long live the king!"

Point:

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



1. What do you feel that God has called you to in life?
2. Where are your gifts for service?
3. In what areas are your natural talents or personality bent toward serving?
4. When have you doubted God could use you to do something awesome for Him?
5. Where is God asking you to trust Him to do something more through you?
6. Do you believe God can work in this world? Do you believe God can work through you?

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