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Waiting  
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Trust Requires

1 Samuel 13

Q. Do you like to wait? For what do you wait?

### Waiting on God:

#### I. Waiting reveals \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Sam 13:1-7 *Saul was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty-two years over Israel. <sup>2</sup>Now Saul chose for himself 3,000 men of Israel, of which 2,000 were with Saul in Michmash and in the hill country of Bethel, while 1,000 were with Jonathan at Gibeah of Benjamin. But he sent away the rest of the people, each to his tent. <sup>3</sup>Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that was in Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. Then Saul blew the trumpet throughout the land, saying, "Let the Hebrews hear." <sup>4</sup>All Israel heard the news that Saul had smitten the garrison of the Philistines, and also that Israel had become odious to the Philistines. The people were then summoned to Saul at Gilgal. <sup>5</sup>Now the Philistines assembled to fight with Israel, 30,000 chariots and 6,000 horsemen, and people like the sand which is on the seashore in abundance; and they came up and camped in Michmash, east of Beth-aven. <sup>6</sup>When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait (for the people were hard-pressed), then the people hid themselves in caves, in thickets, in cliffs, in cellars, and in pits. <sup>7</sup>Also some of the Hebrews crossed the Jordan into the land of Gad and Gilead. But as for Saul, he was still in Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling.*

- Ch 12 – “Lord” = 32X
- Ch 13 – “Lord” = \_\_\_\_
- Ch 14 – “Lord” = 13X
- Ch 15 – “Lord” = 28X

#### II. Not waiting reveals \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Sam 13:8-12 *Now he waited seven days, according to the appointed time set by Samuel, but Samuel did not come to Gilgal; and the people were scattering from him. <sup>9</sup>So Saul said, "Bring to me the burnt offering and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering. <sup>10</sup>As soon as he finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him and to greet him. <sup>11</sup>But Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "Because I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the appointed days, and that the Philistines were assembling at Michmash, <sup>12</sup>therefore I said, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not asked the favor of the LORD.' So I forced myself and offered the burnt offering."*

#### III. God blesses people who \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Sam 13:13-14 *Samuel said to Saul, "You have acted foolishly; you have not kept the commandment of the LORD your God, which He commanded you, for now the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. <sup>14</sup>But now your kingdom shall not endure. The LORD has sought out for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has appointed him as ruler over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."*

#### Point:

James 5:7-8 *Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.*

Luke 12:36-40 *"Be like men who are waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that they may immediately open the door to him when he comes and knocks...."*

Heb 9:28 *So Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.*

#### Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

1. What do you hate waiting for?
2. When have you felt like you were waiting on God?
3. Has there been a time in your life when you have cried out to God and felt all alone?
4. Has there been a time in your life when you felt overwhelmed, and you just wanted to run and hid?
5. What are you waiting for God to do in your life right now?



6. What does it look like for you to wait on God?

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