



At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7  
Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges - Esther  
Unit 8, Lesson 38

## Samuel and Saul

Lesson Aim: To know God has chosen us  
to do special jobs for Him.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What is the best thing you have ever been chosen to do?

**GAME:** Choose the King

### THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO KNOWS OUR HEARTS

Read Worship Scripture: Jeremiah 24:7.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform King City Chronicles script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD CHOSE SAUL TO BE KING

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God chose Samuel as judge and prophet over Israel.

**Today, we will learn God chose Saul to be the first king of Israel. Samuel anointed Saul. To anoint is to put oil on a person as a sign that God has chosen him or her to do a special job for God. Saul was king for 42 years.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: 1 Samuel 9:15-16; 10:1, 6-7, 9, 20-24. Pray.

**God decided to answer the Israelites' prayer for a king. He chose a man named Saul to be the next king. Saul did not know this. Saul and his servant were searching for his father's lost donkeys. He went to ask if Samuel knew where the donkeys were. Check out what the Lord told Samuel about Saul.** Read 1 Samuel 9:15-16.

**Samuel told Saul the donkeys had been found. Check out what Samuel said and did as Saul and his servant were leaving.** Read 1 Samuel 10:1, 6-7, 9.

**Saul was surprised the Lord chose him to be king. After anointing Saul, Samuel presented Saul to the people of Israel as their first king.** Read 1 Samuel 10:20-24.

### THE WAY GOD HAS CHOSEN YOU

**What was Saul looking for when he went to see Samuel?** (His father's donkeys.) **To anoint someone means to put oil on a person as a sign God has chosen him or her to do a special job for God. For what special job did Samuel anoint Saul?** (To serve as king of Israel.) **Just as God chose Saul, God has chosen you. He will give you a special job to do for Him.**

**Where did Saul hide when Samuel was about to announce he would be the first king of Israel?** (In the supplies.) **What did the people say when Samuel announced Saul would be king?** ("Long live the king!")

### ANOINTMENT CEREMONY

**Now, just as Samuel anointed Saul, I will anoint each one of you with a drop of oil as a sign God has chosen you to do a special job for Him. After I anoint and bless you, return to your seat and listen to the words of Psalm 23. Think about how the Lord, Your Shepherd, will guide you as you do the special job God gives you.**

For each child being anointed, place one small drop of oil on your index finger. Touch the child's forehead and say this blessing: **"May the Lord bless you in the special job He will give to you."**

### CHRIST CONNECTION:

**We may not yet know what God has chosen for us to do, but we know it will be good. God will make our hearts ready. We know God has already planned everything for us. The Bible promises that to us. Let's check it out.** Reveal Ephesians 2:10. Read.

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Certificate of Anointment
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Samuel anointing Saul as king
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Crown the Snack

**GAME:** Thumbs Up!

**CRAFT:** God's Workmanship

**CERTIFICATE OF ANOINTMENT**

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** My Heart Knows Psalm 23, Psalm 23 Balloon Toss, Discussion: Psalm 23

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**