



Pride goes before destruction, . . .

Proverbs 16:18 (NIV)

He Lost His Kingdom

I Samuel 8, 10, 13, 16:15-23, 19, 24, 26, & 31

"Give us a king!" cried the Israelites. "We want a king like our neighbors have!"

The prophet Samuel was old and the people demanded him to give them a king. This was sad for Samuel because the people were rejecting God as their leader. Still, God told Samuel, "I will give them a king."

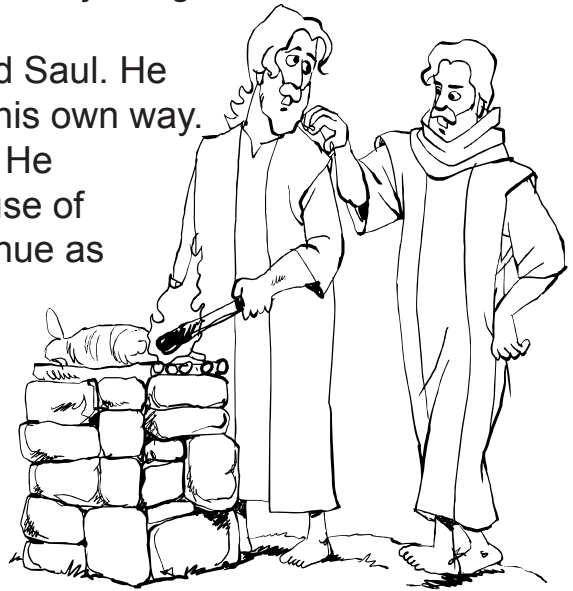
The king that God chose was a tall man named Saul. He started out humble, but he decided to do things his own way.

God gave Saul instructions, but he disobeyed. He did what he and the people wanted to do. Because of this, God said Saul and his family wouldn't continue as leaders for Israel.

An evil spirit kept bothering Saul. So, his servants brought a musician to play the harp and help calm him down. The harp player was a shepherd named David. Saul began to hate David and tried to kill him with a spear, twice! Even though he chased David, Saul never could catch him. God protected David and he escaped.

Twice, David was close enough to kill Saul, but David wouldn't do it because Saul was the one God had chosen to be king. David would not hurt Saul.

Later, during a great battle between Saul and the Philistines, Saul was killed. Then the people chose David to be their king and he led them to follow God.

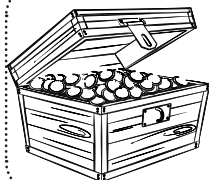


What did we discover?

- 1) The people of Israel demanded that Samuel give them a _____.
 GIFT BOOK KING
- 2) They rejected _____ as their leader.
 GOD SAMUEL DAVID
- 3) Twice, Saul tried to _____ David.
 TAKE CARE OF JAIL KILL
- 4) David showed that he wouldn't _____ King Saul.
 HURT JAIL HUG



**Do I live in humility or pride?
How can I live better this week?**



Pride destroys.
If I've done wrong,
I will humble myself, change
and ask forgiveness.



**Father God,
forgive me and
help me do right.**

