

“Royal Failure”

Texts like this one remind us of the limits of mercy, the seriousness of sin, and the certainty of judgment!

I. WHAT GOD HAD GIVEN SAUL. (14:47-52)

A. _____ victories. (14:47-48, 52)

B. _____ blessings. (14:49-51)

II. WHAT SAUL TOOK FROM GOD. (15:1-21)

A. What God had required of the king—_____.

Saul had done “*foolishly*”, and now he acts faithlessly.
God uses and blesses Saul, but Saul’s not sold-out to God!

B. What God had rightly _____ to _____.

1. Why would God order the destruction of a people?

2. How should we understand God’s regretting his decision? (v. 10)

Lessons to be learned:

1. Choose to _____.

2. Don’t _____ of _____.