## Finding the Truth: Understanding the Bible

## The Rise and Fall of King Saul

A humble beginning

- Outwardly impressive
- Divinely called
- Not seeking the position

His divine calling and anointing

- Private anointing by Samuel
- Confirmed by three prophetic signs
- Public anointing
  - □ Chosen by lot

Early successes

- Victory over Nahash the Ammonite
- Extends mercy/grace over vengeance
- Samuel's charge

The rebellious heart

- Under pressure, assumes role of a priest
  - $\square$  When confronted, makes excuses
- Divine order against Amalekites
  - ☐ When confronted, makes excuses

Lesson 5

Studying the Bible: God Looks at the Heart

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1 Samuel 8-15

Exodus 17:8-15

Deuteronomy 25:17-19

## Key Verse:

1 Samuel 10:6 The Spirit of the LORD will come powerfully upon you, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person.

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