



# THE MAKING OF THE KING

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## **1 Samuel 13:1-7 (ESV)**

**Saul lived for one year and then became king, and when he had reigned for two years over Israel, <sup>2</sup> Saul chose three thousand men of Israel. Two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and the hill country of Bethel, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin.**



## **1 Samuel 13:1-7 (ESV)**

**The rest of the people he sent home, every man to his tent. <sup>3</sup> Jonathan defeated the garrison of the Philistines that was at Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, “Let the Hebrews hear.”**



# **1 Samuel 13:1-7 (ESV)**

**<sup>4</sup> And all Israel heard it said that Saul had defeated the garrison of the Philistines, and also that Israel had become a stench to the Philistines. And the people were called out to join Saul at Gilgal.**



# The Crumbling Crown



## **1 Samuel 13:1-7 (ESV)**

**<sup>5</sup> And the Philistines mustered to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots and six thousand horsemen and troops like the sand on the seashore in multitude. They came up and encamped in Michmash, to the east of Beth-aven.**



## **1 Samuel 13:1-7 (ESV)**

**<sup>6</sup> When the men of Israel saw that they were in trouble (for the people were hard pressed), the people hid themselves in caves and in holes and in rocks and in tombs and in cisterns, <sup>7</sup> and some Hebrews crossed the fords of the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. Saul was still at Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling.**



# **The Crumbling Crown**



## **1 Samuel 13:8-10 (ESV)**

**He waited seven days, the time appointed by Samuel. But Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people were scattering from him. <sup>9</sup> So Saul said, “Bring the burnt offering here to me, and the peace offerings.” And he offered the burnt offering.**



## **1 Samuel 13:8-10 (ESV)**

**<sup>10</sup> As soon as he had finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him and greet him.**



## **1 Samuel 13:11-15a (ESV)**

**<sup>11</sup> Samuel said, “What have you done?” And Saul said, “When I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the days appointed, and that the Philistines had mustered at Michmash,**



## **1 Samuel 13:11-15a (ESV)**

**<sup>12</sup> I said, ‘Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the favor of the LORD.’ So I forced myself, and offered the burnt offering.”**



## **1 Samuel 13:11-15a (ESV)**

**<sup>13</sup> And Samuel said to Saul, “You have done foolishly. You have not kept the command of the LORD your God, with which he commanded you. For then the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. <sup>14</sup> But now your kingdom shall not continue.**



## **1 Samuel 13:10-15a (ESV)**

**The LORD has sought out a man after his own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you.”<sup>15</sup> And Samuel arose and went up from Gilgal.**



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## **1 Samuel 13:10-15a (ESV)**

**The rest of the people went up after Saul to meet the army; they went up from Gilgal to Gibeah of Benjamin.**



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## **2 Samuel 23:3-4 (ESV)**

**The God of Israel has spoken; the Rock of Israel has said to me: When one rules justly over men, ruling in the fear of God, <sup>4</sup> he dawns on them like the morning light, like the sun shining forth on a cloudless morning, like rain that makes grass to sprout from the earth.**



## **Deut 17:18-20 (ESV)**

**“And when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself in a book a copy of this law, approved by the Levitical priests. <sup>19</sup> And it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God by keeping all the words of this law and these statutes, and doing them,**



## **Deut 17:18-20 (ESV)**

**<sup>20</sup> that his heart may not be lifted up above his brothers, and that he may not turn aside from the commandment, either to the right hand or to the left, so that he may continue long in his kingdom, he and his children, in Israel.”**



# **The Crumbling Crown**



## **1 Samuel 14:1-6 (ESV)**

**One day Jonathan the son of Saul said to the young man who carried his armor, “Come, let us go over to the Philistine garrison on the other side.” But he did not tell his father. <sup>2</sup> Saul was staying in the outskirts of Gibeah in the pomegranate cave at Migron.**



## **1 Samuel 14:1-6 (ESV)**

**The people who were with him were about six hundred men, <sup>3</sup> including Ahijah the son of Ahitub, Ichabod's brother, son of Phinehas, son of Eli, the priest of the LORD in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people did not know that Jonathan had gone.**



## **1 Samuel 14:1-6 (ESV)**

**<sup>4</sup> Within the passes, by which Jonathan sought to go over to the Philistine garrison, there was a rocky crag on the one side and a rocky crag on the other side. The name of the one was Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.**



## **1 Samuel 14:1-6 (ESV)**

**<sup>5</sup> The one crag rose on the north in front of Michmash, and the other on the south in front of Geba. <sup>6</sup> Jonathan said to the young man who carried his armor, “Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised. It may be that the LORD will work for us, for nothing can hinder the LORD from saving by many or by few.”**



## **1 Samuel 14:12-15a (ESV)**

**And the men of the garrison hailed Jonathan and his armor-bearer and said, “Come up to us, and we will show you a thing.” And Jonathan said to his armor-bearer, “Come up after me, for the LORD has given them into the hand of Israel.”**



## **1 Samuel 14:12-15a (ESV)**

**<sup>13</sup> Then Jonathan climbed up on his hands and feet, and his armor-bearer after him. And they fell before Jonathan, and his armor-bearer killed them after him. <sup>14</sup> And that first strike, which Jonathan and his armor-bearer made, killed about twenty men within as it were half a furrow's length in an acre of land.**



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# **1 Samuel 14:12-15a (ESV)**

**<sup>15</sup> And there was a panic in the camp, in the field,  
and among all the people.**



# **1 Samuel 14:23 (ESV)**

**So the LORD saved Israel that day. And the battle passed beyond Beth-aven.**



## **1 Samuel 14:24 (ESV)**

**And the men of Israel had been hard pressed that day, so Saul had laid an oath on the people, saying, “Cursed be the man who eats food until it is evening and I am avenged on my enemies.” So none of the people had tasted food.**



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