

The LORD Anoints A King

1 Samuel 9-10

FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. Can you recall any times in your own life when you saw God's hand of providence bringing together a remarkable outcome through seemingly mundane events?
2. Read through 1 Samuel 9-10. What does the text explicitly tell us about Saul in these 2 chapters? How do those details fit into what you know and think about Saul? What makes Saul qualified to be king?
3. Can you think of examples of unlikely people in Scripture and in your own experience who have been greatly used by God? How do those examples cause you to view God's ability to work through unlikely people? How does God work through you?
4. Saul was given very specific signs to assure him that God had chosen him to be king. What assurances to Christians have that we can trust that God has saved us and is at work in our lives today?
5. Do you ever find yourself rejecting God's rule in your life but asking him for help, as Israel does when they seek Saul? What did the people deserve? How did God respond? How ought we respond when God answers our prayers?