

In Search of a King
1-2 SAMUEL

Who Can Stand Before the Lord?

1 Samuel 7:2-17

Restoration & Remembrance

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1. Affliction and Sorrow

- the Philistines affliction of Israel was a form of God's judgment due to Israel's idolatry
- God's purpose in this affliction is their sorrow unto repentance

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2. Repentance and Renewal

- repentance and exclusive worship is the condition for restoration and blessing
- true repentance produces fruit – forsaking other "gods"

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3. Victory and Blessing

- the battle is the Lord's! – He alone subdues all His enemies
- His people are called to faithfulness to Him and His word

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➤ A Samuel-Like Intercessor

- one who makes intercession for us on the basis on atonement

⁴ For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins...¹² but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,

¹³ waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET.

¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

(Hebrews 10:4, 12-14)

*Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.*