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W hat happens when fail to trust God?

1. When we fail to trust God we invite _____
_____. 1 Sam. 10:17-22

2. When we fail to trust God we invite _____
_____. 1 Sam. 10:23-25

3. When we fail to trust God we invite _____
_____. 1 Sam. 10:26-27

TAKE HOME TRUTH

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Today's Core Virtue:

Faith: *Being sure of what I hope for and certain of what I do not see, I exhibit faith that pleases God (from Hebrews 11:1, 6).*

Today's Action: *Are there any areas in your life in which you are not trusting God? Commit to transfer your trust to Him and then make yourself accountable to another.*

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Deeper Connection Study

The three signs that Samuel prophesied to Saul had come to pass. Saul was probably wondering how his week got turned upside down as he returned home after searching for his donkeys. He wasn't the only one searching for something - Israel was also searching for their desired king. God would point them in the direction of his choice for their longing.

Today's Core Belief discussed: Personal God

Read 1 Samuel 10:9-27

1. What happened when Saul met the group of prophets (vv. 10-13)? Why did this occur? What is meant by the question in verse 11?
2. What kind of transformation did Saul have (v. 9)? How did he become a different person? How did this prepare him for what God ordained?
3. When speaking to his uncle, why did Saul conceal his private encounter with Samuel (vv. 14-16)?
4. Why did Samuel call a convocation at Mizpah (vv. 17-21)? Why is this place significant (cf. 7:5-17)?
5. How did Israel's new leader present himself (vv. 22-23)? How was he received by the people (vv. 24-27)?
6. How is it also true today that God is working through various circumstances to bring about his purposes? How do you see this in your own life?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Praise God for his sovereignty and divine guidance. Ask God to help you follow his will and his ways. Pray for a greater discernment of God's leading in your life and the courage to live boldly for him.



At one time or another every believer has failed to trust God. Maybe it happened when an unanticipated bill came and the believer was filled with anxiety instead of peace. Perhaps it took place when an unexpected illness surfaced and rather than turning to God for His guidance that person turned to alternative sources for the solution. Whatever it might have been that caused the doubt and uncertainty, there were definite consequences.

In the passage today we will witness the nation of Israel beginning to experience consequences for their unwillingness to trust God. Instead of trusting the Lord to be their King they chose to rely upon an earthly king. Tragically the trouble began before this king's crown had even been put in place. How about you, are relying on something besides God for your help? If so, pay close attention to the inevitable consequences!