1 Fall 2023/Spring 2024 Bible Study Rev. Dr. Chris Ascher 2 What genre is/are "1 and 2 Samuel"? 3 Fall 2023/Spring 2024 Bible Study Rev. Dr. Chris Ascher 4 Read 1 Samuel 4:1-10

- How is 4:1 different than 3:1? What does this indicate?
 - What does Acts 3:24 say?
- Who are the Philistines? (1-2) What happens with them?
- Does Israel win or lose? (3) What do they ask?
 - How hard did they look for an answer?
 - What conclusion did they make? What is the problem with it?
- Who carried the ark? (4) How does Israel respond? (5)
- How do the Philistines respond? (6-9) What does this tell you about the God of Israel?
- What was the outcome this time? (10-11)

5 Read 1 Samuel 4:12-22

- One messenger runs 18 miles to give news to the town. How is he dressed? What is their response?
- What is Eli doing during the battle? What does that seem to indicate? (13)
 - Can he see the messengers appearance? What does he ask? (14-16)
 - What news does Eli receive? (17)
- What happens to Eli? (18) What news is he responding to?
- What happens to Phinehas' wife? (19)
 - What is the baby named? (21) Why?
- What does it mean that the "Glory of the LORD has departed?"
 - How is this connected with the ark of the covenant?

6 Read 1 Samuel 5:1-12

- What do the Philistines do with the Ark? (1-2) What might this mean?
- What happens to Dagon? (3) What do the people do?
- What happens the second time. (4)
- What happens to the people in Ashdod? (6) How do the people respond? (7-8)
- What happens there? (9) and what do they do?
- What happens there? (10) What do they then do? (11-12)
- What does this show about YHWH (The LORD) and His Glory?

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