

KINGDOM TORN FROM SAUL

We will begin by examining our lesson text by the following four homiletic points.

- **The Sin of Saul** (1 Sam.15:24-26)
 - Transgression of God's commands (1 Sam.15:11)
- **The Symbol to Samuel** (1 Sam.15:27-28)
 - Torn garment to kingdom of God
- **The Sovereignty of God** (1 Sam.15:29)
 - Truthfulness – (veracity and immutability) of God (1 Sam.15:18-19)
- **The Sacrilege mind set** (1 Sam.15:30)
 - Tabloid mentality – a need for approval of man more than God (1 Sam.15:17)

This lesson will study five aspects of the kingdom being torn from Saul by God.

(1 Sam.15:27-28) “As Samuel turned to go, Saul seized the edge of his robe, and it tore (qara/ niphāl impf). So Samuel said to him, ‘**The Lord has torn (qara/ qal pf) the kingdom of Israel from you today** and had given it to your neighbor, who is better than you.’”

1. **King Saul forcefully seized (chazaq/ hiphil impf) and tore the edge (kanaph) [extremity, wing, border, hem] of Samuel's robe (1 Sam.15:27).**

Saul's forceful seizing of Samuel's robe as he was leaving was a hands control warning method. Saul was saying in this method, “where do you think you are going? Get back here, right now or else!”

This is operation flesh of the old sin-nature and carnality (Gal.5:16-17; 1 Cor.3:1-3; Rom.13:14; 1 John 1:8-9) based on Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus (OMCD) conformity to worldly insecurity thinking (Rom.12:2).

2. **David will cut off an edge of Saul royal robe in a cave among the Rocks of the Wild Goats (1 Sam.24:1-22).**

(1 Sam.24:4) “And the men of said to him, ‘Behold, this is the day of which the Lord said to you, ‘Behold; I am about to give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it seems good to you.’ **Then David cut off the edge of Saul's robe secretly.**”

Bible lesson to David's men:

(1 Sam.24:6) “So he said to his men, ‘Far be it from me because of the lord that I should do this thing to my lord, the Lord's anointed, to stretch out my hand against him, since he is the Lord's anointed.’”

3. **The Greek word for edge (border or hem) is kraspedon. It was used with some of the miracles performed by Jesus Christ.**

We will mention two in Book of Matthew:

- (Matt.9:18-26)
- (Matt.14:34-36)

4. The sin that resulted in the kingdom being torn from Saul was a repetitive sin.

It was a repetitive sin that Saul was unwilling to address and put off. He was unwilling even when told repetitively by the Lord through Samuel (1 Sam.13:13-14; 15:11). He was unwilling even in this final encounter with Samuel (1 Sam.15:28, 35).

You ask, “How is that possible?” The answer seems so simple - just do everything the Lord tells you to do.

(1 Sam.15:19) “**Why then** did you not obey the voice of the Lord, **but** rushed upon the spoil and did what was evil in the sight of the Lord?”

The problem that needs to be addressed and changed is attached to the **BUT**.

Saul’s repetitive sin is labeled **rebellion** (sin of divination) and **insubordination** (iniquity and idolatry) and **transgressions** of Lord’s commands (rejecting the word of the Lord) (1 Sam.15:23).

5. Saul is battling the core of Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus (OMCD) conformity of worldly thinking.

(Rom.12:2) “And do **not be conformed to this world**, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, **so that** you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Samuel hit this very core of Saul with two statements.

- 1st - “Is it not true, though you were little in your own eyes, you were made the head of tribes of Israel? And the Lord anointed you king over Israel.” (1 Sam.15:17)
- 2nd - “God has given it to your neighbor who is better than you.” (1 Sam.15:28b)

This thinking has been part of Saul’s core of OMCD that he has struggled with his entire life (1 Sam.15:24b, 30).

THIS IS NOT WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST (John 8:44; 2 Tim.2:26) (lies of OMCD).

Question: What does a believer do when he agrees with the Devil’s lies in his inter-dialogue?

Answer: Saul never became **Grace Oriented** as to **who he was IN Christ** as a believer (2 Cor.5:17)

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Who you are in Christ is not a work project of reform from conformity to world (Heb.9:14). It is a grace product of spiritual transformation of renewing to New Man Divine Viewpoint (NMDV) thinking. (Eph.4:22-24).

**THERE IS NO JUST REASON FOR NOT OBEYING THE
DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS OF THE DIRECTIVE WILL OF GOD.**