



SAMUEL KINGS & COVENANTS

MESSAGE NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 3 – WHEN GOD IS NOT ENOUGH

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

1 Samuel 8:1-21; Matthew 6:24; Romans 12:2; Galatians 5:17; Hebrews 3:15;
Philippians 3:10; James 4:10

We daily _____ if God is _____

Why do we reject the Lord's kingship?

- Our _____ inclinations
- Our desire for _____

What are the consequences of rejecting the Lord's kingship?

- The _____ of our disobedience
- The loss of our _____

How do we avoid rejecting the Lord's kingship?

- _____ the problem
- _____ to the person of Christ

DIGGING DEEPER

1. **Reread 1 Samuel 8:1-5.** Given what was happening with Samuel's sons, does this seem an unreasonable request?
2. When God's way doesn't seem to be working out, what can keep us from turning our own way?
3. There was a pull to look just like the nations around them. What can we falsely see as the advantages of being more like the world around us?
4. God determines to grant their request for an earthly king. Why? How should this shape our decision making when it comes to submitting to God?
5. How does going our way, rather than God's way, reinforce disobedient behavior?
6. How does going our way, rather than God's way, rob us of our freedom in Christ?
7. Why can we tend to see some steps away from God's way as not really all that bad. Why is that? Is it true? How can we avoid such harmful thinking?
8. Identify several important things to do to remain living under the kingship of Christ.
9. Pray about the one you currently find most challenging.