



SAMUEL ANOINTED DAVID



1 Samuel 14-15

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long are you going to be sad that I have rejected Saul as king of My people? **Go to Jesse of Bethlehem, because I have selected a king from one of his sons. Bring your oil to anoint him.**”

Samuel was afraid that Saul would hear about the anointing and kill him! The Lord said, “Take a young cow with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Then invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and you will anoint for me the one I show you.”

Samuel did as the Lord said. **When Jesse and his sons arrived, Samuel saw the oldest—Eliab—and said, “Certainly this is the king the Lord has selected for himself.”**

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look at his appearance or his height, because I have rejected him. Humans do not see what the Lord sees, for humans see what is visible, but the Lord sees the heart.”

Next, Jesse called his son Abinadab and presented him to Samuel. Samuel said, “The Lord hasn’t chosen this one either. Next, Jesse presented his third son, Shammah, but Samuel again said that the Lord did not choose this son.

Jesse presented seven sons to Samuel. Samuel said, “The Lord hasn’t chosen any of these. Do you have any other sons?”

“Yes, my youngest son, but he’s out tending the sheep,” Jesse said.

Samuel replied, “Send for him. We won’t sit down to eat until he gets here.” Jesse sent for David.

When Samuel saw David, the Lord said, “Anoint him, for he is the one.” Samuel took the oil and anointed David in the presence of his brothers. The Spirit of the Lord came powerfully on David from that day forward.



Christ Connection: *David did not look like a king on the outside, but God saw his heart and chose him to be the next ruler. Jesus looked like an ordinary man to the people around Him, but He is God’s Son and the Savior of the world.*