

God Save the King!

The people of Israel wanted a king like the other countries had. They had never had a king before. Samuel was not happy about that. He felt that the people were rejecting God. They wouldn't listen to Samuel, so God told him to give them a king. On the list are some of the words from 1 Samuel 9:1,2, 16; 10:1, 17-26. They are hidden in the puzzle below. Find and circle each one. Can you tell what each word means? Is it a name, a thing, or an action?

GOD
OIL
KING
KISH
LORD
SAUL
VIAL
FOUND
TRIBES
ANOINT
HEARTS
ISRAEL
SAMUEL
SERVANT
TOUCHED
BENJAMIN
GOODLIER
REJECTED
INHERITANCE

L	B	F	G	T	O	U	C	H	E	D	J
O	I	L	O	H	N	T	G	N	K	L	G
T	S	N	D	U	G	A	I	K	I	E	O
I	R	B	H	R	N	M	V	D	S	U	O
V	A	I	U	E	A	D	I	R	H	M	D
S	E	C	B	J	R	G	A	D	E	A	L
L	L	P	N	E	M	I	L	F	K	S	I
O	H	E	U	C	S	A	T	L	X	M	E
R	B	L	J	T	S	T	R	A	E	H	R
D	L	T	Z	E	W	A	R	K	N	Y	O
G	N	I	K	D	E	G	U	B	T	C	T
H	A	N	O	I	N	T	S	L	N	V	E

Humility Rating Chart

For each characteristic of humility, rate yourself on a score of one to ten. Fill in how you think your friends would rate you for the same characteristic. List some steps you can take to improve your ratings.

Humility Characteristic	Self-Rating	Friends'-Rating	Steps to Improve My Ratings
<p>Humility is patient. I don't have to have everything just the way I want it. I don't feel that I'm so important everything has to be done immediately for my convenience.</p>			
<p>Humility is kind. I look for the best in other people and don't try to build myself up by putting others down.</p>			
<p>Humility does not boast. I don't brag about my accomplishments, abilities or possessions. I'm quick to congratulate others on their successes.</p>			
<p>Humility is not proud. I'm willing to be friends with everyone who crosses my pathway. We are all God's people.</p>			
<p>Humility is not rude. I treat others with respect and never act as if they are inferior to me in any way.</p>			
<p>Humility is not self-seeking. I don't always put myself first. I'm aware of and considerate of the needs of others.</p>			
<p>Humility keeps no record of wrongs. I realize that I, too, make mistakes and so I find it easy to forgive others.</p>			
<p>Humility takes instruction. I listen to God and others, and don't always insist on thinking my way is best.</p>			
<p>Humility accepts reproof. I understand that spiritual growth necessitates correction from God and those in authority. I submit without complaint and try to profit from it.</p>			
<p>Humility has a desire to learn. I recognize that I don't "know it all" yet, nor am I ever likely to. But I am eager to make spiritual progress.</p>			

TO BE KING OVER GOD'S PEOPLE

For many years the Children of Israel were led by men who were chosen by God himself —the patriarchs, Moses, and a series of judges. God spoke to the people through these men, and He protected them and blessed them as they obeyed each of these leaders. Then the people became discontent and decided that since the nations around them were governed by kings, they wanted one too. In doing so, they rejected God as their King (1 Samuel 8:7). Now, let's find out about "the Lord's anointed." Read through the text: 1 Samuel 9:1,2; 10:17-26.



What was the name of the man whom God chose to be the first king of Israel?



Circle the correct answers:

Saul was of the tribe of ... Dan / Ephraim / Benjamin / Judah

He was ... short / very tall / a poor physical specimen

His father's name was ... Abiel / Zeror / Bechorath / Kish

Saul was ... proud / humble and obedient / disobedient



When Samuel called all the people out to meet their new king, no one could find him. Where did God say the new king was?



What will happen to one who is humble? What about someone who is proud? See Matthew 23:12.



Name two ways a young person can show humility?

SWORD DRILL

Micah 6:8

Psalm 75: 6,7

Isaiah 1:19

Matthew 23:12

John 15:10

James 4:10

John 9:31

Matthew 7:21

Revelation 22:14

John 8:31

I Peter 5:5

John 14:15

Proverbs 22:4

I Samuel 9:21

Romans 12:3