



1 SAMUEL 13

SUNDAY 21st MARCH

REFLECTION

QUESTIONS AND NOTES

- What has happened to make Israel so fearful?
- What command has Saul received from Samuel? (13:8; 10:8)
- Do you feel sorry for Saul when he is rebuked by Samuel?
- What is the true nature of Saul's failure? (12:14-15; 20-25)
- Saul didn't take God's word seriously.
 - How did Saul's rebellious heart reveal itself? What 'traps' did he fall into? Can you think of 7 (or more)?
 - Are we ever in danger of making the same mistakes?

- David is described as a man after God's own heart (13:14).
 - What does that mean? (Review Psalms 3, 13; 40; 141; 143 if you're stuck)
 - How do we become men/women after God's own heart?
- How do we respond to correction? Are we more like Saul (rebuked by Samuel) or David (rebuked by Nathan, 2 Sam 12)?
 - See David's response in Psalm 51.
- What is God's command to all mankind? (Acts 2:38; 3:19; 16:30-31; 17:30; Mark 8:34-35)
- Why does God want his people to wait patiently?
 - What exactly does it mean to wait patiently?
 - How do we do it better?