



## Bible Engagement Project | Set Apart

Week 16: Israel Demands a King - 'Choose to Follow God'

### 1 Sam 8

As Samuel grew old, he appointed his sons to be judges over Israel. Joel and Abijah, his oldest sons, held court in Beersheba. But they were not like their father, for they were greedy for money. They accepted bribes and perverted justice.

Finally, all the elders of Israel met at Ramah to discuss the matter with Samuel. "Look," they told him, "you are now old, and your sons are not like you. Give us a king to judge us like all the other nations have."

Samuel was displeased with their request and went to the Lord for guidance. "Do everything they say to you," the Lord replied, "for they are rejecting me, not you. They don't want me to be their king any longer. Ever since I brought them from Egypt they have continually abandoned me and followed other gods. And now they are giving you the same treatment. Do as they ask, but solemnly warn them about the way a king will reign over them."

So Samuel passed on the Lord's warning to the people who were asking him for a king.

But the people refused to listen to Samuel's warning. "Even so, we still want a king," they said. "We want to be like the nations around us. Our king will judge us and lead us into battle."



**Vitals for April 25th**

Weekly Need: \$3,200

Actual Given: \$2,763

Sunday School - 37  
Worship Service - 81

**3 easy ways to give:**

1. 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
2. Go to [newheightsconnersville.com/giving](http://newheightsconnersville.com/giving)
3. Mail to the church office



- Amy Bare (Bea Burgdoerfer's daughter) surgery May 10th
- Harold Gordon - recovering knee replacement
- Manny Alvarez - recovering surgery
- Gary Clavell
- Richard Johnson (Lawrence Johnson's brother)
- Monica Kibbey (Tonya Jones sister) chemo treatments
- Joe Combs (Tonya Jones father)
- Mike Wilson - needing a liver/heart problems
- Elijah Rader (student of Diane Burks)
- Judy Whipple

*Names are left on the prayer list for only three weeks; but if you wish for a name to remain longer, please let the office know. \*If you would like a copy of the long term prayer list, you can pick one up in the lobby.*

FCMA - Better Together

# National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 6, 2021

12:00pm

Fayette County Courthouse  
401 N Central Ave

Join us, on the courthouse lawn, as we worship together and pray for our community and our nation.

Summer Camp @ Mahoning Valley

Registration is now open and information on camps can be located on the front table in the lobby!

Lookout/Christian Standard magazines for May/June are available in the lobby.

For your convenience, changing stations are available in both bathrooms at the front of the building, our 'Wiggle Room' next to the coffee area, and the nursery on the other side of the building!