


30 DAYS THROUGH THE BIBLE

King Saul Diagnosing and Dealing with a Heart Problem

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...your kingdom will not endure; the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him leader... **1 Samuel 13:14** (NIV)

The LORD said to Samuel, "Don't judge by his appearance or height... The LORD doesn't see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, the LORD looks at the heart. **1 Samuel 16:7** (NLT)

Above all else guard your heart, it effects everything you do. **Proverbs 4:23** (LB)

➤ DIAGNOSING A HEART PROBLEM – 4 WARNING SIGNS

1. _____

Go, attack the Amalekites and totally destroy everything that belongs to them. Do not spare them; put to death men and women, children and infants, cattle and sheep, camels and donkeys." ⁴ So Saul summoned the men... kites. ⁷Then Saul attacked the Amalekites... ⁸ He took Agag king of the Amalekites alive, and all his people he totally destroyed with the sword. ⁹ But Saul and the army spared Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle, the fat calves and lambs—everything that was good. These they were unwilling to destroy completely, but everything that was despised and weak they totally destroyed. **1 Samuel 15:3-9** (NIV)

But now your kingdom must end, for the LORD has sought out a man after His own heart. ...because you have not kept the LORD's command."
1 Samuel 13:14 (NIRV)

Later, God removed Saul and let David rule in his place. God said about him, "David the son of Jesse is the kind of person who pleases me most! He does everything I want him to do." **Act 13:22** (CEV)

2. _____

So why did you not obey GOD? Why did you grab all this loot? Why, with GOD's eyes on you... did you brazenly carry out this evil?" ²⁰ Saul defended himself. "What are you talking about? I did obey GOD. I did the job GOD set for me. I brought in King Agag and destroyed the Amalekites under the terms of the holy ban. **1 Samuel 15:3-9** (MP)

3. _____

But my men did not kill the best sheep and cattle...; they brought them... to offer as a sacrifice to the LORD your God." **1 Samuel 15:3-9** (GNB)

"It was the woman You gave me who gave me the fruit, and I ate it."
Genesis 3:12 (NLT)

4. _____

Deluded by my _____.

And Samuel told him. "When you started out in this, you were nothing--and you knew it. Then GOD put you at the head of Israel--made you king over Israel. **1 Samuel 15:17** (MP)

The pride of your heart has deceived you... **Obadiah 1:3** (NIV)

Deluded by my _____ obedience.

Then Samuel said, Do you think all GOD wants are sacrifices-- empty rituals just for show? He wants you to listen to him! Plain listening is the thing, not staging a lavish religious production. **1 Samuel 15:22** (MP)

➤ 5 HEART HEALTHY ACTIONS THAT I CAN TAKE ...

1. I can _____ to change my _____.

As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul's heart... **1 Samuel 10:9** (NIV)

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me
Psalms 51:10 (NLT)

2. I can _____ my _____.

Then Saul admitted to Samuel, "Yes, I have sinned. I have disobeyed your instructions and the LORD's command... **1 Samuel 15:24a** (NLT)

3. I can _____ the _____.

I have disobeyed...for I was afraid of the people... **1 Samuel 15:24b** (NLT)

"You can't worship two gods at once. Loving one god, you'll end up hating the other. Adoration of one feeds contempt for the other. You can't worship God and Money. **Matthew 6:24** (MP)

4. I can _____ for _____.

But now, please forgive my sin... **1 Samuel 15:25a** (NLT)

5. I can _____ with the _____.

...and come back with me so that I may worship... **1 Samuel 15:25b** (NLT)