

**THEME: THE WAGES OF SIN** (see Rom.6:23; 1Sam.8:7f&10f)

**I. ISRAEL DEMANDS A KING** (1Sam.8:1-22; see chps.9-31)

**A. A GOOD THING** (Gen.17:6,16; 49:10; Ex.19:6; Num.24:17f; Dt.17:14f; see Gen.1:26; rule over)

**B. AN EVIL DESIRE** (1Sam.8:7f; see Jms.4:3)

1. *sinful in its motive: idolatry* (1Sam.8:7f; 8:20/7:10; see Jdgs.8:22,23; see Rom.1:23f)

2. *sinful in its purpose: immorality* (1Sam.8:20; see 7:10f; 1Th.4:11f; see Rom.1:28f)

**C. THE CURSE OF ANSWERED PRAYER!** (1Sam.8:7f&10f; see 1Kngs.10:1f; 12:4f)

**D. MERCY OF FATHER'S DISCIPLINE: MY PEOPLE; PRINCE, RESTRAIN** (see 1Sam.9:16,17; Ps.103:13)

**II. CIVIL GOVERNMENT IN ITS FOURFOLD STATE**

**A. CREATION: LIBERTARIAN** (Gen.1:26f; see Eph.4:24,22f; 1Tm.4:7)

**B. FALL: TYRANNY** (Gen.3:1f; Dan.10:20; Eph.2:1f; 1Jn.5:19; Lk.8:26f; see Jdgs.2:14; 3:8f,etc.; Is.10:5; Jer.50:23; Rom.13:1f; see Jdgs.17:6; 18:1; 19:1; 21:25)

**C. REDEMPTION: DUAL CITIZENSHIP** (Acts22:28&Phil.3:20 /Mt11:30&Jer27:11f/Rom7:22f; Gal.5:16f /Eph1:20f)

**D. GLORIFICATION: ONE WORLD GOV'T** (1Sam.8:7; Jdgs8:23; see Ps.2:1f; 1Cor.15:25; Phil.2:9f; Rev.11:15)

**III. YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN A KING!** (1Sam.8:5f; see Ps.2:5f; Mt.26:64; Acts 2:33; 7:55; Eph.1:20f; Phil.2:9f; Heb.1:3f,13; 10:12; 12:2; 1Pt.3:22)

**A. CONFESS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS KING!** (1Cor.12:3; Phil.2:11; Rev.17:14; 19:16; see *king*, Ps.10:16; 24:8,10; 45:11; 47:2; 95:3; also *reigns*, Ps.93:1; 96:10; 97:1; 99:1)

**B. CONFESS CIVIL GOVERNMENT A CREATIONAL GOOD, MADE BURDENSOME BY SINNERS** (1Sam.8:7f; see Gen.1:26f; 1Cor.11:3f; Eph.6:1f; Rom.13:1f; see Gen.3:16; Rom.13:3f; see Rom.7:7f)

**C. REJECT MESSIANIC NATURE OF POLITICS** (1Sam.8:20; see Is.31:1/Ps.20:6f; 2Chr.16:7f; see Mt.21:5f)

**D. LOOK TO CHRIST TO SAVE YOUR CIVIL GOVERNMENT** (1Tm.2:1f; Ps.20:6 /Eph.1:20f; 1Cor.15:25)

**E. LIMIT CIVIL GOVERNMENT BY GOVERNING YOURSELF & YOUR DOMAIN** (1Sam.8:20; see 1Cor.11:31f; 1Tm.3:4,5; Prov.31:10f; see Gal.5:13f; 1Pt.2:16,13f)

**F. GRACIOUSLY BEAR THE HIGH COST OF GOVERNING SINNERS** (1Sam.8:9f; see Rom.13:6f; Phil.2:14f; 1Pt.2:13f)

**G. LOWER THE HIGH COST OF GOVERNMENT BY REPENTING FROM YOUR SINS** (1Sam.7:3f; Jdgs.3:9f,etc.; see Rom.13:3f; 1Pt.2:15; see 1Sam.8:7f vs. Mt.11:30f)