

## There Is In This City A Man Of God -1/29/23

Great Sermons – Tom Malone

**TEXT – 1 Samuel 9:1-2** *Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power. 2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people.*

**INTRO – Men of God are not made from their shoulders up. They are made from the heart inward.**

**1 Samuel 9:3-6** *And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses. 4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not. 5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave caring for the asses, and take thought for us. 6 And he said unto him, Behold now, **there is in this city a man of God**, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.*

**1 Samuel 9:10** *Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of God was.*

**1 Samuel 9:17-21** *And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said unto him, Behold the man whom I spake to thee of! this same shall reign over my people. 18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, where the seer's house is. 19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I am the seer: go up before me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee go, and will tell thee all that is in thine heart. 20 And as for thine asses that were lost three days ago, set not thy mind on them; for they are found. And on whom is all the desire of Israel? Is it not on thee, and on all thy father's house? 21 And Saul answered and said, Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou so to me?*

**1 Samuel 9:25-27** *And when they were come down from the high place into the city, Samuel communed with Saul upon the top of the house. 26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Up, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad. 27 And as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid*

*the servant pass on before us, (and he passed on,) but stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the word of God.*

**City of Ramah – Birth place of Samuel in answer to prayer and buried there.**

**Cities in America where there have been men of God.**

**Pontiac MI – Dr. Henry Savage**

**Minneapolis MN - W. B Riley – One of the first to leave the organized association and become a leader in the fundamental movement.**

**Chattanooga TN – Lee Roberson**

**Akron OH – Dallas Billington**

**Fort Worth TX – J Frank Norris**

**Edinburg Scotland - Robert Murray M'Cheyne**

**London England – Charles Haddon Spurgeon**

**He need to day is not just more preachers and workers and missionaries.**

**We need men who can be called “Men of God.”**

**Godly man street in London**

### I. Looking for the Lost

**The young men were looking for something that was lost.**

**Saul said let's return back home, but the servant said “there is in this city a man of God.”**

**A man of God should know something – Samuel knew something.**

**1 Kings 20:28** *And there came **a man of God**, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus saith the LORD, Because the Syrians have said, The LORD is God of the hills, but he is not God of the valleys, therefore will I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ye shall know that I am the LORD.*

### II. He knew what God had said!

**Samuel knew Saul would be the first king. He knew something.**

**We need men in America who know they are called of God.**

**There's a characteristic of the man of God.**

**1 Kings 13:1** *And, behold, there came **a man of God** out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Bethel: and Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense.*

**13 times an unnamed man of God spoke against Jeroboam**

**Unnamed prophet fooled by the lying prophet.**

### III. He Obeyed the Word of God

**He speaks against sin**

**Preacher preached on stealing chickens**

#### **IV. He Takes His Orders From God**

**Where is your headquarters**

**Elijah was such a man**

**The Apostles were men of God**

**Elijah was called when the young prophets found death in the pot.**

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