

FBC Groups Ministry Discussion Guide

From the King of My Heart Series: “When God is Not Enough” Our Text for the Week of 6:27: 1 Samuel 8

Who is the real King of your heart? We continue answering that question in part seven when the people come to Samuel demanding a human king. Before that moment, God had been the only king the people had ever known. Their demand sets in motion a conversation between Samuel and God that teaches us about the character of God and about our human nature. Read 1 Samuel 8:1-9.

Whenever you are tempted to think God is not enough:

God understands what it means to be rejected

God is patient even when people treat Him badly

God knows that each one of us will reject Him in some way

Questions for Group Discussion:

1. Samuel took the rejection personally, but how did God describe it?
2. Why were the people rejecting God as the king over them?
3. Be honest in describing how you have rejected God in some way.
4. What are the ways you most often test God's patience?
5. What are the ways you live as if there is something better than God?
6. Describe a time when you felt rejected by others.
7. Describe a time when you pursued something you knew was ultimately harmful.
8. How can we restore individuals who have been rejected by others or the church?

Final Thoughts and Closing Prayer:

What will I do to be more content with God this week?

How will I pray and live differently because of this study?

Notes & Reflections: