

April 10

- a. Hearing the Ark is gone, 98 year old Eli, the priest, falls over backwards and dies. 1 Samuel 4:18
- b. The Ark is in Philistia, Dagon falls over, people get tumors. 1 Samuel 5:1-12
- c. 7 months then the Philistines return the Ark with 5 gold tumors and 5 gold rats. 1 Samuel 6:1-18
- d. 70 men died looking for into the Ark, it was moved to Kiriath-jearim for 20 years. 1 Samuel 6:19 - 7:2
- e. Israel gathered at Mizpah (where Samuel became Israel's judge) for prayer. 1 Samuel 7:3-6
- f. As Samuel sacrificed the Philistines attacked, God thundered, and Israel won. 1 Samuel 7:7-11
- g. Samuel named a large stone Ebenezer meaning "the stone of help". 1 Samuel 7:12-17
- h. Samuel's disobedient sons caused Israel to ask for a king. 1 Samuel 8:1-5
- i. God tells Samuel do as they ask, they're not rejecting you, they're rejecting me. 1 Samuel 8:6-9
- j. Samuel warns of all the things a king will take from them. They still want a king. 1 Samuel 8:10-22

April 11

- a. Wealthy Kish loses his donkeys, his son Saul looks for them and meets Samuel. 1 Samuel 9:1-27
- b. Samuel anoints Saul as king, the Spirit of the Lord comes powerfully upon Saul. 1 Samuel 10:1-8
- c. As Saul turned to leave, God gave him a new heart, Samuel's signs fulfilled. 1 Samuel 10:9-16
- d. Humble Saul hides among the baggage on the day he is acclaimed king of Israel. 1 Samuel 10:27-37
- e. King Nahash of Ammon threatens right eye of citizens of Jabesh. 1 Samuel 11:1-5
- f. God's Spirit comes upon King Saul, with 330,000 men they beat the Ammonites. 1 Samuel 11:6-15
- g. Samuel gives his farewell address with the Lord and his anointed one as witness. 1 Samuel 12:1-15
- h. Samuel asks God to send a storm to show his disapproval of Israel wanting a king. 1 Samuel 12:16-25

April 12

- a. King Saul's family tree. 1 Chronicles 9:35-39
- b. Saul became king at 30 and reigns 42 years, fights the Philistines with Jonathan. 1 Samuel 13:1-4
- c. Israel fought the innumerable Philistines with only 2 spears, many ran and hid. 1 Samuel 13:19-23
- d. Saul's huge mistake of the sacrifice offering cost him the kingship. 1 Samuel 13:7-14
- e. Saul only had 600 men left to fight the 3,000 chariots and 6,000 charioteers. 1 Samuel 13:15-18
- f. Jonathan and his servant ask for a sign. God gives it and they kill 20 Philistines. 1 Samuel 14:1-14
- g. An earthquake and panic, the Saul's lookouts see the Philistines running scared. 1 Samuel 14:15-16
- h. Saul's curse on anyone who eats before evening. Jonathan eats honey. 1 Samuel 14:24-44
- i. The people stand up for Jonathan since God gave him a great victory. 1 Samuel 14:45-46
- j. Saul's great military success and sons: Jonathan, Ishbosheth, and Malkishua. 1 Samuel 14:46-52

April 13

- a. Saul settles God's account with the Amalekites for opposing Israel out of Egypt. 1 Samuel 15:1-6
- b. Saul partially obeys God keeping the best of the livestock and keeping King Agag. 1 Samuel 15:7-9
- c. God is sorry he made Saul king. Saul learns "Obedience is better than sacrifice". 1 Samuel 15:10-23
- d. Saul is rejected as king and begs for forgiveness; kingdom is torn from him. 1 Samuel 15:24-31
- e. Samuel goes back with Saul and kills King Agag; last time Samuel saw King Saul. 1 Samuel 15:32-35
- f. Samuel anoints Jesse's son David king & learns God looks on inside, not outside. 1 Samuel 16:1-13
- g. Lord's Spirit departs Saul and tormenting spirit of depression and fear fills him. 1 Samuel 16:14-17
- h. David becomes Saul's harp player during the tormenting. 1 Samuel 16: 18-23
- i. Goliath, over 9 feet tall, challenges Israel to send out their best warrior. 1 Samuel 17:1-11
- j. Jesse sends David to Saul's camp. David sees and hears Goliath's taunt. 1 Samuel 17:12-31
- k. David is 11 generations from Judah; first ten can't serve as king or priest, Deuteronomy 23:2

April 14

- a. David volunteers to fight Goliath having killed lions & bears with the Lord's help. 1 Samuel 17:32-37
- b. Saul offers his armor, instead David uses a staff, a sling, and 5 smooth rocks. 1 Samuel 17:38-40
- c. Goliath comes to fight, David runs and shouts, "In name of the Lord of Heaven's Armies". 1 Samuel 17:41-47
- d. David hits Goliath in his forehead, Goliath falls, and David cuts his head off with his own sword. 1 Samuel 17:47-51
- e. Philistines turn and run, Israelites kill them and return for the plunder. 1 Samuel 17:51-54
- f. David speaks with Saul and meets Jonathan, there's an immediate bond. 1 Samuel 18:1-4
- g. Women sing, "Saul has killed his thousands, and David his ten thousands". 1 Samuel 18:7
- h. First time Saul tries to kill David. 1 Samuel 18:8-16
- i. David and his men kill 200 Philistines so David can marry Saul's daughter Michal. 1 Samuel 18:17-30
- j. Saul tried to convince Jonathan & others to kill David & tries again with a spear. 1 Samuel 19:1-10
- k. Michal saves David's life by sending him out a window and putting an idol in bed. 1 Samuel 19:11-17
- l. David's Psalm about Saul sending men to stake out his house to kill him. Psalm 59
- m. David flees to Ramah, Saul's men prophecy, more prophecy and so does Saul. 1 Samuel 19:12-24

April 15

- a. Jonathan saves David's life by shooting arrows after finding out Saul's after David. 1 Samuel 20:1-40
- b. Jonathan and David think they are having their last meeting. 1 Samuel 20:41-43
- c. David runs to see Ahimelech in Nob, gets 5 loaves of bread and Goliath's sword. 1 Samuel 21:1-9
- d. Doeg, Saul's chief herdsman, was there to see Ahimelech the priest and saw David. 1 Samuel 21:7
- e. David escapes Saul and plays insane in front of King Achish of Gath. 1 Samuel 21:10-15
- f. Psalm about David playing insane in front of Abimelech. Psalm 34
- g. The righteous person faces many troubles, but the Lord comes to rescue each time. Psalm 34:19

April 16

- a. David at the cave of Adullam, relatives and troubled men totaling 400 join him. 1 Samuel 22:1-2
- b. A Psalm of David while hiding in a cave about his distress & God's unfailing love. Psalm 57
- c. Psalm about David's pity party in the cave, "No one will help me". Psalm 142
- d. Brave warriors from tribe of Gad, who can kill from 100 to 1,000 defect to David. 1 Chronicles 12:8-18
- e. David asks king of Moab to take care of his parents in Moab while David is gone. 1 Samuel 22:3-4
- f. David returns to Judah, Doeg tells Saul he saw priest Ahimelech praying for David. 1 Samuel 22:5-10
- g. Saul sends for priest Ahimelech and family, Doeg kills 85 priest and their families. 1 Samuel 22:11-19
- h. Only Ahimelech's son, Abiathar, escapes to David. 1 Samuel 22:20-23
- i. David's Psalm about Doeg's massacre, "God's justice continues forever". Psalm 52
- j. Saul chases David who prays for the Lord's guidance and gets it. 1 Samuel 23:1-12