

SECOND BEST IS ALWAYS WORSE

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Deuteronomy 17:14-20; 1 Samuel 8

God doesn't give us options; He gives us His will

LET'S GET STARTED

Someone has said, "The real disasters of life begin when you get what you want." God ruled as King over Israel, but Israel wanted a human king like other nations had. In this message, we will see that second best is not only less than best; it's also contrary to God's will.

LET'S HEAR THE WORD

God intended that _____ would be Israel's King (theocracy).

God knew Israel would not remain satisfied without a _____ king.

Deuteronomy 17:14—When you enter the land the LORD your God is giving you and have taken possession of it and settled in it, and you say, "Let us set a king over us like all the nations around us," . . .

God's Requirements of Israel's Kings (Deuteronomy 17:14-20)

- ✓ He must be chosen directly by God (v. 15).
- ✓ He must be an Israelite (v. 15).
- ✓ He must not be power-hungry (v. 16).
- ✓ He must not be woman crazy (v. 17a).
- ✓ He must not be money-mad (v. 17b).
- ✓ He must live in submission to God (vv. 18-20).

Quotable

We are not necessarily doubting that God will do the best for us; we are wondering how painful the best will turn out to be.

—C.S. Lewis

God's gifts put man's best dreams to shame.

—Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Apart from Jesus Christ, the bad will always outweigh the good.

—Ray Pritchard

If you would like to know more

Be Equipped (Deuteronomy), by Warren Wiersbe (David C. Cook, 2010)

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EXPOSING 'SECOND BEST'

Settling for God's 'second best' is nothing more than _____
(1 Samuel 8:6-7).

Sin always _____ life (1 Samuel 8:10-18).

Life's greatest blessings are found in the _____ of God's _____
(Deuteronomy 28:1-14).

LET'S LIVE IT

We can put the truths of this message into practice by resolving to always seek God's best by obeying Him in everything we do.

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