

The Book of First Samuel: Chapter 31 and Review

Sunday, December 31

Chapter 31

- Describe the events recorded in **1 Samuel 31: 1 – 3**. What happened to Saul's sons in the battle against the Philistines?
- From **1 Samuel 31: 4 – 6**, what command did Saul give to his armorbearer, and how did his armorbearer respond? As a result, what action did Saul take, and how did the armorbearer respond?
- As recorded in **1 Samuel 31: 7**, what effect did the Philistine victory have on the people of Israel?
- In **1 Samuel 31: 8 – 10**, what actions did the Philistines take when they found the bodies of Saul and his sons? Where did they take Saul's armor, and what did they do with his body?
- From **1 Samuel 31: 11 – 13**, what did the people of Jabesh Gilead do with the bodies of Saul and his sons? What historical connection did the people of Jabesh Gilead have with Saul?
(*1 Samuel 11: 11; 2 Samuel 21: 12 – 14; 1 Chronicles 10: 13 – 14*)

Review: Reflect on the lessons learned from a consideration of the strengths and weaknesses of the following figures from the Book of First Samuel:

- Samuel
- Saul
- Jonathan
- David