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Israel demands a King

...Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the Lord. And the Lord said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them. According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee. Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them. And Samuel told all the words of the Lord unto the people that asked him a king. And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take your sons, and appoint them for himself, for his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and some shall run before his chariots. And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and will set them to ear the ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots. And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers. And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants. And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest men, and your asses, and put them to his work. He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants. And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye have chosen you; and the Lord will not hear you in that day. Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us; That we may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.

1 Samuel 8:6-20

If you take these words and convert them into modern day terms you can easily make the connection to the church and how it operates. For example, *the sheep* symbolize *the flock or congregation*. To *take the tenth* of the sheep is requiring them to pay *ten percent* of their income to the church. What I have found to be so prevalent in writing this book, is that when given a choice to serve God and be free, or serve man-made images and be in bondage, man choice bondage. The only reason that makes any sense is that we laid the foundation for this propensity long ago when we chose lies over truth. Lies lead us into bondage, while the truth makes us free. We have become so accustomed to being in bondage (having limiting ideologies ruling us) freedom feels foreign to us, it makes us uncomfortable, and so it continues to elude us. Take Adam and Eve for example, who chose to accept a belief that opposed God's word, losing the freedom of the garden. Or the children of Israel, who chose the bondage of Egypt over the freedom of the promised land, living and dying under another type of bondage; under the limitations of the carnal law, never tasting of the freedom that comes from obeying the Spiritual Law of God. And their children, who tasted of that freedom in the promised land, yet chose to forfeit that freedom by disobeying God's word; by making marriages with the nations they were to drive out.

Israel wanted a king to judge them, and fight their battles for them, just as people want their religious leaders to decide what is right and wrong, so they don't have to battle with these decisions themselves. We have long since forgotten how to trust in, and take direction from, our internal anointing, which leads us into the light of truth through the power of our holy spirit. We prefer to have the unholy spirit of fear rule our mind and tell us lies, rather than allow our holy spirit to bring us into the degree of truth that brings with it a spiritual and physical freedom that seems to petrify us.

Saul was the king that ruled over Israel of Judaism, but he also represents a spirit that rules over Israel of the Gentiles. With a new Israel, came a new Saul. The name has changed, but the spirit remains the same. Paul, referred to as an apostle to the Gentiles, was not chosen to be among the twelve so that we may see that there are two foundations