



9:00 Live Sunday School at FBCJ

1st Samuel 13-14 – Jonathan’s Faith to Wait

I. 1st Samuel 13 - Saul’s Big Losses

- A. Saul musters 3,000 troops (1st standing army) and Jonathan defeats Philistines at Geba
- B. Saul takes the credit over his son Jonathan for small victory - Philistines back and have a garrison at Michmash – 30k chariots; 6k cavalry - Israelites scatter to crooks and crannies - Samuel told Saul to wait 7 days before attacking; Saul didn’t and performed sacrifices on his own
- C. vv.11-15 – Saul’s kingdom is on borrowed time –
 - 1. v.14 – setting up David – “man after God’s heart” – his *lebab*
- D. What’s in a king’s *lebab*?
 - 1. Strong’s H3824 – *lebab* – the inner being – 252 times in the OT
 - Saul showed us his *lebab* was filled with fear and selfishness - How does that happen after you’ve been anointed?
 - 2. Solomon’s *lebab* – 1st Kings 11:1-13
- E. What does a heart for God look like? Not Saul
 - 1. Fears the LORD – Saul doing his own sacrifices
 - 2. LORD is king – Saul thinks Saul is king – sacrifices for an advantage in battle
 - 3. Repentant – Saul has excuses/David has Psalm 51

II. Jonathan’s *lebab* – 1st Samuel 14

- A. vv.1-5
- B. vv.6-7 - literally: armor-bearer said do heart stretch-out heart
- C. vv.8-15 – “YHWH has given them to us”
- D. vv.16-23 – YHWH *yasha* Israel

E. Jonathan's Faith in Action

- He saw the need for victory
- He knew God could achieve victory
- He put his faith into action
- He knew he couldn't pull it off by himself
- He doesn't have to know the whole story

F. Compare how Gideon did it – Judges 6:33-40

Thoughts? Comments? Questions? nick@nickwalters.org

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