



# 9:00 Live Sunday School at FBCJ

## 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 12 – The Gospel in the Old Testament

### I. vv.1-5 – Samuel’s Last Sermon

- A. vv.1-2 – Samuel has one last reminder of the kingship - The time of the judges is officially over
- B. vv.3-5 – Who of us can say this at our retirement party? - Samuel kept the end in mind

### II. vv.6-14 - Righteous Acts of the LORD

- A. v.8a - Moses and Aaron - The law and the “Discipleship”
- B. v. 8b - “brought you to this place”
- C. v.9 - Forgot the LORD their God and were sold into the hands of the Canaanites, Philistines, Moabites
- D. v.10 - “cried out and delivered” – *natsal* – snatch up/deliver (Jerub-Baal (Gideon); Barak (Bedan?); Jephthah; Samuel (Samson?))
- E. Israel had choices to make v.14:
- 1) **fear** the LORD- imperfect tense
  - 2) **serve** Him – perfect tense
  - 3) **obey** His voice – perfect tense – *shema*
  - 4) **do not rebel** – imperfect tense – only in 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel here

### III. vv.15-18 – Rain on Wheat

- A. Why a sign now?
- God’s permissive will?
  - People are fickle? Wishy-washy?
  - Perception Samuel doing an “end run?”
  - Samuel wants them to know Who is in charge of this whole thing?

#### IV. Gospel in 1st Samuel 12

- A. v.1 – This is a transition to a new way
- B. v.1 - There is Someone calling for us – Samuel “said”
- C. vv.3-5 – credible Messenger
- D. vv.6-13 – God reminds us of His continued righteousness
- E. v.11 – We know we need a Deliverer - *natsal*
- F. v. 14 – God allows us to choose to follow Him
- G. v.14 – There is action on our part (Fear Him, Serve Him, Obey Him, His way not our way)
- H. v.18 - God gives us a miracle to allow us to believe if we doubted before - Think of James Jesus’ brother
- I. v.19 – We repent of our sins
- J. v.20 – We experience grace
- K. vv.21/24-25 - We have to act differently
- L. v.22 – God has a covenant with us to never leave us
- M. v.23 – We have the Holy Spirit to intercede for us – Romans 8:26
- N. v.23 – We have the Holy Spirit to teach us right from wrong

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