

Date: February 13, 2022
Title: *Stop Straddling the Fence*
Scripture: 1st Samuel 18



Summary-*There is often no middle ground on matters that are quite polarizing. You either love or hate. You embrace or reject. There inevitably will be a strong response. Such is the case with God's true King. You either love and embrace him, or hate and reject him. There is no fence to straddle. No middle ground to remain. Love Him or loathe him. Jesus leaves no room to not respond, He demands a response.*

Point #1-The One Who _____ The True King

A. The Gifting _____ of Jonathan

**1st Samuel 18:1-4; Psalm 139:13; Genesis 44:30; 2 Samuel 1:26*

Point #2-The One Who _____ The True King

A. The _____ Foothold of Jealousy

**1st Samuel 18:5-11; 1 Samuel 16:15; 1 Samuel 10:10*

B. The Growing _____ of David

**1st Samuel 18:12-16, 29; 1 Samuel 15:28; 1 Samuel 16:14; Genesis 39:3; John 3:30; 1 Cor. 4:7*

C. The Glaring _____ of Saul

**1st Samuel 18:17-25; 1 Samuel 17:25; James 1:15*

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Questions to Discuss With Family Or Life Group

1. **What Caught Your Eye?**-*Anything that shined or stood out in the passage. Draws your attention. It can be something of importance, or strikes you as the reader.*

2. **What Made You Think?**-*Anything that was hard to understand or difficult, something that you would like to ask the writer of the passage or the Lord.*

3. **What does this passage teach us about Who God Is?**-*Anything related to his attributes and His being. It can be something that helps us to better understand who He is.*

4. **What does this passage teach us about What God Does?**-*Anything that focuses on the works of God. His actions and movement in history.*

5. **What does this passage teach us about Who We Are?**-*Anything that helps us to better understand our identity in Christ. Related to who we are in light of God's grace in our life.*

6. **What does this passage teach us about How We Are to Live?**-*Anything related to application. Can be what our response to be. Also can be a change in how we think.*