

**A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART**  
**A study in I and II Samuel and the Psalms of David**  
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I Samuel 13:1-14:52

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**13:1-23 I. A foolish man does not trust the Word of God.**

:1-4 A. He lacks understanding and often compromises.

*<sup>3</sup>Jonathan defeated the garrison of the Philistines that was at Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, "Let the Hebrews hear."*

:5-12 B. He does not wait on the Lord.

*<sup>8</sup>He waited seven days, the time appointed by Samuel. But Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people were scattering from him. <sup>9</sup>So Saul said, "Bring the burnt offering here to me, and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering. <sup>10</sup>As soon as he had finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him and greet him.*

:13-15 C. He does not know the heart of God.

*<sup>14</sup>But now your kingdom shall not continue. The Lord has sought out a man after his own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the Lord commanded you.*

:16-23 D. He brings trouble to those around him.

*<sup>17</sup>And raiders came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies. One company turned toward Ophrah, to the land of Shual; <sup>22</sup>So on the day of battle there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people with Saul and Jonathan, but Saul and Johnathan his son had them.*

**14:1-52 II. A godly man acts with faith.**

:1-5 A. He possesses real courage.

*<sup>1</sup>One day Jonathan the son of Saul said to the young man who carried his armor, "Come, let us go over to the Philistine garrison on the other side," But he did not tell his father.*

:6-15 B. He trusts the omnipotence of God.

*<sup>6</sup>Jonathan said to the young man who carried his armor, "Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised. It may be that the Lord will work for us, for nothing can hinder the Lord from saving by many or by few."*

:16-23 C. He does the work of the Lord.

*<sup>23</sup>So the Lord saved Israel that day. And the battle passed beyond Beth-aven.*

:24-44 D. He possesses wisdom and humility.

*<sup>29</sup>Then Jonathan said, "My father has troubled the land. See how my eyes have become bright because I tasted a little honey. <sup>30</sup>How much better if the people had eaten freely today of the spoil of their enemies that they found. For now the defeat among the Philistines has not been great."*

:45-52 E. He is protected by God.

*<sup>45</sup>Then the people said to Saul, "Shall Jonathan die, who has worked this great salvation in Israel? Far from it! As the Lord lives, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground, for he has worked with God this day." So the people ransomed Jonathan, so that he did not die.*