

Worship with us in the Word

Running Man 1 Samuel 28

The Literary Setting vs. Chronological Setting

The Story Unfolds vv. 3-25

- Saul's scheme
- The medium's efforts
- Samuel's rebuke
- Saul's reaction

The Observations from Saul

1. Fear Caused Irrational Thinking
 - My assumptions are right regardless of the facts/evidence.
 - It is possible to work around God.
2. Fear Caused Unbiblical Actions... Disobedience
 - Using and excusing desired actions expressly prohibited by God
 - Involving others in disobedience... expecting their support
3. Unchecked Fear & Disobedience... Costly Consequences
 - No guidance from God/unanswered prayer – see also Psalm 66: 18
 - Loss of blessing and enablement – his kingdom and leadership

Why This Chapter is Important for You:

1. It is given as your example from which to learn – 1 Cor. 10:11-12
2. It teaches you that there is existence after physical death occurs
3. It clearly illustrates the truth of Psalm 66:18.
4. It instructs you regarding the principle of Psalm 56:3-4.
5. It adds to your understanding of NT passages like 2 Timothy 1:7 and 1 John 4:18