

(OLD TESTAMENT)

KING SAUL'S PRIDE

**The children of Israel repeatedly asked for their own earthly king
To be like the nations around was an important powerful thing
Though God had freed their people and Canaan to them did give
They forsook Him for a king; on their own strength would live.**

**For them God selected Saul, an impressive Israelite man
Anointed with oil by Samuel, his reign as king began
The Holy Spirit of God entered the heart of Saul that day
As a symbol of presence and power, his kingdom seemed here to stay.**

**Somewhere along the way, Saul forgot to do God's will
Was arrogant, stubborn and proud; his own cup did fill
Failing to keep the Lord's commands, a new king was appointed
As leader of God's own people, a shepherd named David was anointed.**

**Changing God's Word to suit ourselves is not the Christian way
It's all about Him and not about us; a pattern for everyday
"Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven," a scripture for right behavior
Filling our thoughts with God's desires; we'll follow our Shepherd and Savior.**



(“Samuel Anoints Saul as King” painted by Doris Cox)

1 Samuel 10: 1

Then Samuel took a flask of oil and poured it on Saul’s head and kissed him saying, “Has not the Lord anointed you leader over his inheritance?”