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ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT
PARAGRAPHS OF THE BIBLE – FIRST SAMUEL 9-15

NINE
A. Enter Saul (9:1-2)
B. On the trail of some lost donkeys (9:3-5)
C. “Let’s pay the prophet! Maybe he can help us!” (9:6-10)
D. They found him by the city gates (9:11-14)
E. He was informed a day in advance (9:15-16)
F. “Never mind the donkeys! You’re the new king!” (9:17-20)
G. But he was from the least important family of the smallest tribe (9:21)
H. They ate and talked all night (9:22-26)
I. A message from God before he left (9:27)

TEN
A. Three signs involving five men and a band of prophets (10:1-8)
B. A new heart for the new king (10:9)
C. The making of a proverb (10:10-13)
D. He shared some, but not all, with his uncle (10:14-16)
E. “Here’s your King!” (10:17-19)
F. “Where’s your King?” (10:20-22)
G. “Long live the King!” (10:23-27)

ELEVEN
A. A cruel choice at the end of a week (11:1-2)
B. He sacrificed two animals to secure a huge army (11:3-8)
C. “Great news! Saul is riding to the rescue!” (11:9-10)
D. The enemy was all but eliminated (11:11)
E. He refused to kill his critics (11:12-15)

TWELVE
A. The final words of a faithful man (12:1-5)
B. They had not learned the lessons of history (12:6-13)
C. But today, a new test! (12:14-15)
D. Backing up his message with a miracle (12:16-25)
THIRTEEN

A. Enter Jonathan! He attacked with one thousand men (13:1-4)
B. Many chariots and soldiers as the sand on the seashore (13:5-7)
C. The man with a foolish heart to be replaced by a man after God’s own heart (13:8-14)
D. The enemy had the ultimate equipment (13:15-23)

FOURTEEN

A. They would stand firm or storm the fort however God directed (14:1-10)
B. Twenty dead comrades and an earthquake, causing the Philistines to panic (14:11-17)
C. “Send for the Ark,” he ordered (14:18-19)
D. God delivered them on that day (14:20-23)
E. “But all I did was to eat some honey” (14:24-30)
F. Saul’s law caused his soldiers to break God’s law (14:31-35)
G. The soldiers saved the son from his father (14:36-45)
H. If not a faithful man, at least an effective fighting man (14:46-48)
I. Members of the first family (14:49-52)

FIFTEEN

A. From the prophet to the king: “Here’s God plan—destroy them all!” (15:1-3)
B. He killed the people, captured their king, and kept the animals! (15:4-9)
C. God was grieved and Samuel was heartbroken (15:10-11)
D. Guilty of disobeying the Lord and distorting the truth (15:12-21)
E. His sin had cost him his crown (15:22-23)
F. “Pray for me,” he requested. “It’s too late,” he replied (15:24-35)