

# God's leaders must address their "EGOTISM"

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**1 SAMUEL 15:30-31 AMP** – (30) Saul said, "I have sinned; but please honor me now before the elders of my people and before Israel, and go back with me, so that I may worship the LORD your God." (31) So Samuel went back following Saul, and Saul worshiped the LORD.

- a. Saul doesn't care about losing the ministry. He cares about what will be known by others.
- b. Saul asks Samuel to go with him as he acts like he is worshipping God.
- c. "The Lord, "Your God". How many times did Saul say that?
- d. Egotism is when your image becomes more important than your reality.
- e. Image will do anything to look good in front of the people. (False worship)
- f. False worship leads to death.

When the mind-set is as such, one doesn't want the Holy Spirit or God's anointing. They just want to be one of the number. Accepted by others rather than God.

**NOTE:** Saul was never pronounced to die by punishment. He could have just said, "I messed up", I need to sit down and retire from his leadership position, which would possibly could have gone to one of his sons. But pride (ego) got in the way. Saul was more interested in the position than God's presence. Twenty years the ark of the covenant had been with the men of Jericho, Saul had never tried to get it back. Why? Because he was never interested in the presence of God, he was concerned about his position in ministry. But David retrieved it.

**Repent!**

**SCRIPTURE READING: 3 JOHN 1:9-10**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** Religion is a monumental chapter in the history of human egotism.

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