

SATISFACTION THROUGH SUBMISSION

1 Samuel 1:1–2:11

First and Second Samuel are epic narratives, rich with fascinating characters and familiar stories. From Hannah’s miraculous pregnancy to Samuel’s king-making ministry, from the theft of the ark to the fall of a giant, from Saul’s tragic reign to David’s paradigmatic throne—these inspired books have it all. Themes of friendship and betrayal, scandal and war, witchcraft and heartbreak, human redemption and divine intervention weave through every chapter. But beyond their dramatic appeal, these accounts also deliver foundational theology. They reveal a God who rules over nations, installs and removes kings, and remains faithful to a faithless people. Studying these texts unveils God’s unmatched power, uncompromising holiness, and astounding grace—a grace first glimpsed in the supernatural satisfaction granted to those who suffer in humble submission to the God who hears.

Suffering

1:1–8

Submission: *Receive and Return!*

1:9–17, 27–28

Satisfaction

1:18–2:10