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The god descended, and the people were transfigured

1 Samuel 10

10:5 Then go to the mountain of God, where there is a Philistine garrison. When you come to the city, you will see a group of prophets coming down from the hill before them, and they will be touched by the drummers, the drummers, the flutes, and the pianos.

10:6 The Spirit of Yahweh will move you greatly, and you will be moved to speak with them. You have to become a new person .

10:7 This sign is coming upon you, and you can do it while the time comes, because God is with you.

Summary of 1 Samuel 10

In 1 Samuel 10, the people of Israel asked God to send a king over them. God complied with their request and chose a prophet named Samuel to visit a man named Kish, where he would choose a king for Israel. In the house of Kish, Samuel poured a piece of God's chosen oil on the head of a Benjamin named Saul to signify that he was God's chosen king.

Subsequently, Samuel told Saul that he would receive God's blessing and lead the Israelites to defeat their enemies. Samuel also prophesied several things, including that Saul would meet three men who would give him two goats and a piece of bread, and that he would arrive at the altar of God, meet some prophets, be moved by the Spirit of God, and begin to prophesy.

All of these things happened, and Saul was blessed by the prophets to become king of Israel and defeated the Ammonites in a battle. But during Saul's reign, he also made some mistakes that made God disillusioned with him.

The miracle of the gods, like a mysterious stage play, suddenly unfolds in someone. The face and body of this chosen man by the gods seemed to be transformed into a stunning picture scroll under the mysterious power of the gods.

When the divine presence came, an invisible force seemed to travel through time and space, focusing people's gaze on this mysterious soul. In the face of the god's presence, the chosen one may feel a burst of warmth in his body, as if the hand of divinity caresses his face, making him feel more peace and comfort than he has ever felt before.

The power of the gods is not limited to metaphysical sensations, it also performs a visual miracle on the lucky one. Perhaps it was the glint in his eyes, or the divine brilliance on his face that made it impossible to ignore this extraordinary change. When the gods descended, it seemed to cast a mysterious mark on the blessed person, making his face seem to change from earthly to otherworldly.

However, this person who was favored by the gods was not only a physical change, but also a spiritual transformation. The divine light seemed to cleanse his soul and refresh his soul with love and compassion. The eyes of this lucky man revealed a deep and bright light, as if with the wisdom of the gods, enabling him to see through the fog of the world and feel endless divine love.

This divine presence is not only a personal transformation, but also a miracle that touches the hearts of all beings. As the chosen one walked through the crowd, the divine light emanating from him seemed to be a guide, illuminating the way forward, and making people feel love and hope beyond the mundane.

When Christians are imprinted with the Holy Spirit, it is a spiritual transformation, like the spring of the heart, quietly changing one's thoughts, behaviors, and life. This is not only an embrace of faith, but also a dance of the soul, which makes people shine with love and faith from the inside out.

When the Holy Spirit descends, it is like a fresh wind that gently touches the depths of the Christian heart. In this quiet and peaceful moment, they felt a wave of love and strength that warmly poured into their hearts. It is a love that transcends the limits of humanity and makes Christians stronger and more passionate in the path of faith.

Christians' countenances seem to have changed when they have been imprinted with the Holy Spirit. That kind of eyes full of love and forgiveness seem to break through the shackles of the mundane and show a wisdom that transcends the mundane. It is a gift from the Holy Spirit that allows them to look at those around them with compassion and to approach life's challenges with forgiveness.

The imprint of the Holy Spirit is not limited to outward manifestations, but extends deeper into the heart of the Christian. Their minds were enlightened into the true meaning of love and kindness. This inner transformation makes them more willing to give their lives to God and become a conduit for His love, to share that love selflessly with others.

This spiritual transformation not only brings wonderful changes to individual Christians, but also manifests itself in their behavior. They have become more helpful, more attentive to the needs of others, and willing to bear witness to God's love with their lives. The seal of the Holy Spirit is like a key that opens the door to the depths of the Christian heart, enabling them to understand and live out the teachings of Christ more deeply.

When Christians are imprinted with the Holy Spirit, their lives are like a psalm written by God, filled with beautiful melodies of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. It is a divine transformation that is both internal and external,

enabling Christians to come to a deeper understanding of God's love and to be free, joyful, and fulfilled in it.

There are several passages in the Bible that mention the imprinting of the Holy Spirit
Ephesians 1:13-14:

And ye have heard in him the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and having believed in Christ, you have received in him the seal of the promised Holy Spirit, which is the evidence of our inheritance until the redemption of God's people to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 4:30:

Do not grieve the Spirit of God, for you have been sealed by him for the day of redemption.

II Corinthians 1:21-22:

He who strengthens us and you in Christ and anoints us in Christ is God, and he has sealed us and given us the Holy Spirit in our hearts.

Isaiah 11:2:

And the Spirit of the LORD shall dwell upon him, the Spirit of wisdom, and the spirit of understanding, and the spirit of counsel, and the spirit of power, and the spirit of knowledge and fear of the LORD.

We pray together

Thank you, dear Heavenly Father, for your love and grace, and for sending the Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts. We worship You because You are the Almighty Creator, our Savior and Protector.

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the Holy Spirit, one of the most precious gifts in our lives. We open our hearts before You and allow the Holy Spirit to work in us, guiding us to understand Your truth and enabling us to do Your will.

Thank you for the presence of the Holy Spirit, who is our comforter and teacher. May Your Holy Spirit light that lamp in our hearts and show us the way in the darkness. Your love and wisdom flow like a clear spring into the depths of our hearts, enabling us to appreciate Your wonder and beauty.

Boost our faith so that we can experience the guidance of Your Holy Spirit more deeply each day. When we face challenges and difficulties, please allow the peace of the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts so that we can persevere in faith, knowing that You are our strength and help.

Heavenly Father, we thank You for your wonderful work in our lives, and ask You to continue to mold us into vessels that glorify Your name. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray, amen.

1 SAMUEL

CHAPTER 10

1Sa. 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? [Hebrew; Septuagint and Vulgate over his people Israel? You will reign over the LORD's people and save them from the power of their enemies round about. And this will be a sign to you that the LORD has

anointed you leader over his inheritance:]

1Sa. 10:2 When you leave me today, you will meet two men near Rachel's tomb, at Zelzah on the border of Benjamin. They will say to you, 'The donkeys you set out to look for have been found. And now your father has stopped thinking about them and is worried about you. He is asking, "What shall I do about my son?"'

1Sa. 10:3 "Then you will go on from there until you reach the great tree of Tabor. Three men going up to God at Bethel will meet you there. One will be carrying three young goats, another three loaves of bread, and another a skin of wine.

1Sa. 10:4 They will greet you and offer you two loaves of bread, which you will accept from them.

1Sa. 10:5 "After that you will go to Gibeah of God, where there is a Philistine outpost. As you approach the town, you will meet a procession of prophets coming down from the high place with lyres, tambourines, flutes and harps being played before them, and they will be prophesying.

1Sa. 10:6 The Spirit of the LORD will come upon you in power, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person.

1Sa. 10:7 Once these signs are fulfilled, do whatever your hand finds to do, for God is with you.

1Sa. 10:8 "Go down ahead of me to Gilgal. I will surely come down to you to sacrifice burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, [Traditionally peace offerings] but you must wait seven days until I come to you and tell you what you are to do."

1Sa. 10:9 As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul's heart, and all these signs were fulfilled that day.

1Sa. 10:10 When they arrived at Gibeah, a procession of prophets met him; the Spirit of God came upon him in power, and he joined in their prophesying.

1Sa. 10:11 When all those who had formerly known him saw him prophesying with the prophets, they asked each other, "What is this that has happened to the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?"

1Sa. 10:12 A man who lived there answered, "And who is their father?" So it became a saying: "Is Saul also among the prophets?"

1Sa. 10:13 After Saul stopped prophesying, he went to the high place.

1Sa. 10:14 Now Saul's uncle asked him and his servant, "Where have you been?" "Looking for the donkeys," he said. "But when we saw they were not to be found, we went to Samuel."

1Sa. 10:15 Saul's uncle said, "Tell me what Samuel said to you."

1Sa. 10:16 Saul replied, “He assured us that the donkeys had been found.” But he did not tell his uncle what Samuel had said about the kingship.

1Sa. 10:17 Samuel summoned the people of Israel to the LORD at Mizpah

1Sa. 10:18 and said to them, “This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘I brought Israel up out of Egypt, and I delivered you from the power of Egypt and all the kingdoms that oppressed you.’

1Sa. 10:19 But you have now rejected your God, who saves you out of all your calamities and distresses. And you have said, ‘No, set a king over us.’ So now present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes and clans.”

1Sa. 10:20 When Samuel brought all the tribes of Israel near, the tribe of Benjamin was chosen.

1Sa. 10:21 Then he brought forward the tribe of Benjamin, clan by clan, and Matri’s clan was chosen. Finally Saul son of Kish was chosen. But when they looked for him, he was not to be found.

1Sa. 10:22 So they enquired further of the LORD, “Has the man come here yet?” And the LORD said, “Yes, he has hidden himself among the baggage.”

1Sa. 10:23 They ran and brought him out, and as he stood among the people he was a head taller than any of the others.

1Sa. 10:24 Samuel said to all the people, “Do you see the man the LORD has chosen? There is no-one like him among all the people.” Then the people shouted, “Long live the king!”

1Sa. 10:25 Samuel explained to the people the regulations of the kingship. He wrote them down on a scroll and deposited it before the LORD. Then Samuel dismissed the people, each to his own home.

1Sa. 10:26 Saul also went to his home in Gibeah, accompanied by valiant men whose hearts God had touched.

1Sa. 10:27 But some troublemakers said, “How can this fellow save us?” They despised him and brought him no gifts. But Saul kept silent.

Chapter 10 begins with Samuel anointing Saul with oil and declaring him to be the new king of Israel. Samuel then gives Saul a series of signs that will confirm to him that he has been chosen by God.

The first sign is that he will meet two men near Rachel's tomb who will tell him that his father's donkeys have been found. The second sign is that he will meet three men going up to worship at

Bethel, and they will give him two loaves of bread. The third sign is that he will meet a group of prophets and the Spirit of the Lord will come upon him, and he will prophesy with them.

As Saul sets out on his journey home, he meets the men who tell him that his father's donkeys have been found. He then meets the three men going up to worship at Bethel, who give him two loaves of bread. Finally, he meets the prophets and prophesies with them.

When Saul returns home, he is greeted by his uncle, who asks him where he has been. Saul tells him that he has been looking for his father's donkeys and then reveals that he has been anointed as the new king of Israel by Samuel.

Despite Saul's anointing, not everyone is happy with his selection. Some of the people are skeptical, and Saul must prove himself as a worthy leader.

Chapter 10 marks the beginning of Saul's reign as king of Israel and shows how he receives a divine confirmation of his anointing. The chapter also highlights Saul's prophetic ability and introduces the idea that not everyone will accept Saul as their new king.

Some important verses in chapter 10 of 1 Samuel in the Christian Bible are:

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 ruler over his inheritance?'"

1 Samuel 10:6-7: "The Spirit of the Lord will come powerfully upon you, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person. Once these signs are fulfilled, do whatever your hand finds to do, for God is with you."

1 Samuel 10:9: "As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul's heart, and all these signs were fulfilled that day."

1 Samuel 10:26: "Saul also went to his home in Gibeah, accompanied by valiant men whose hearts God had touched."

These verses mark the beginning of Saul's reign as king of Israel, including his anointing by Samuel, the manifestation of the Spirit of the Lord upon him, and the changes in his heart that were brought about by God.

1 Samuel chapter 10 marks a significant moment in the narrative as Saul is officially anointed as the king of Israel by Samuel. This chapter explores themes of divine calling, obedience, and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit.

One of the key themes that emerges from this chapter is the concept of divine calling and appointment. Saul, after being anointed by Samuel, is given a series of signs that confirm his chosen status as king. These signs include encountering a group of prophets and experiencing a change in his heart, enabling him to prophesy. These events highlight the divine hand at work in Saul's life, guiding him towards his appointed role.

This chapter reminds us that God has a unique calling and purpose for each of us. Just as Saul was chosen by God to be king, each of us has a specific calling in God's plan. It encourages us to seek God's guidance and to be open to the signs and promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives. It calls us to embrace our divine calling with humility, recognizing that it is God who equips and empowers us for the tasks He has set before us.

Furthermore, 1 Samuel chapter 10 emphasizes the importance of obedience to God's commands. Samuel instructs Saul to go to Gilgal and wait for him, and he assures Saul that he will receive further guidance and direction from God. Saul is faced with the choice to trust and obey God's instructions or to let fear and doubt hinder his obedience.

This chapter highlights the significance of our obedience to God's Word and leading in our lives. It challenges us to be attentive to God's instructions, to trust in His guidance, and to follow His path with wholehearted obedience. It reminds us that obedience to God's commands brings about blessings and fulfills His purpose in our lives.

Additionally, 1 Samuel chapter 10 showcases the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. As Saul encounters the group of prophets, the Spirit of God comes upon him, and he prophesies alongside them. This supernatural empowerment signifies God's equipping of Saul for his kingly role and indicates the presence and work of the Holy Spirit in the lives of God's chosen people.

This chapter highlights the vital role of the Holy Spirit in our lives as believers. It reminds us that the Holy Spirit empowers us, gives us spiritual gifts, and enables us to fulfill our God-given calling. It calls us to be sensitive to the leading and prompting of the Holy Spirit, to rely on His strength, and to allow Him to work in and through us for the glory of God.

In conclusion, 1 Samuel chapter 10 brings forth reflections on divine calling, obedience, and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. It reminds us of our unique calling in God's plan, the importance of obedience to His commands, and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. May we embrace our divine calling with humility and obedience, relying on the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit to fulfill God's purposes in our lives.