

STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS – WEEK 15

- 1. What leads to Saul’s downfall as King of Israel? Who is anointed to serve as the next King? How is he chosen? What characteristics, gifts, and skills does he possess?**
- 2. Outline the plot of the story of David and Goliath [Who, What, Where, When, and Why]. What would be a contemporary example of a David and Goliath story? What makes these types of stories memorable?**
- 3. Who is Jonathan? What does he do for David? Why?**
- 4. Why does David spare Saul’s life twice? What does this say about David?**
- 5. Why does Jesus tell the parable of the Good Samaritan [Luke 10:25-37]? How might you retell this parable today to help people relate it to their own lives?**
- 6. What is Jesus’ theology of prayer [Luke 11:1-13]? How should we pray? Why? What should we expect from prayer?**
- 7. Some people feel the parable of the Rich Fool [Luke 12:13-21] and Jesus’ speech to his disciples immediately following [Luke 12:22-34] are a critique of our contemporary society in the United States today. Do you agree? Why or why not? What is the parable asking us to consider?**
- 8. How do you interpret Jesus’ words in Luke 12:49-53? How do you reconcile this statement with the words of the prophet Isaiah that say that the Messiah is to be the “Prince of Peace?”**