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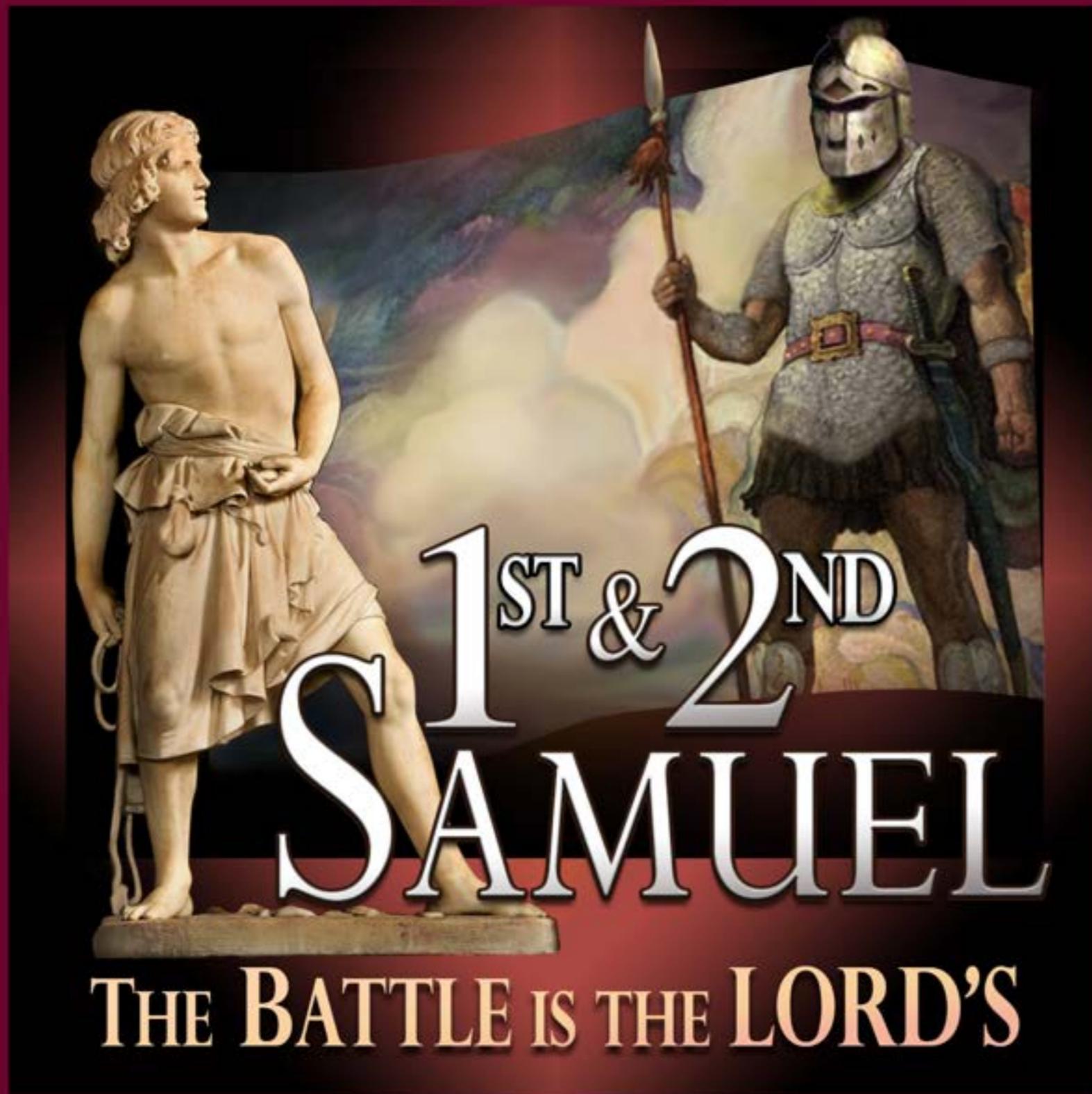
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**GOD'S FAITHFULNESS:
THE FOUNDATION OF HOPE**

**Lam. 3:20, “My soul still remembers
And sinks within me.”**

**Lam. 3:21, “This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have hope.”**

**Lam. 3:22, “Through the LORD’S mercies
we are not consumed,
Because His compassions
fail not.**

**Lam. 3:23, “They are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness.**

**Lam. 3:24, “ ‘The LORD is my portion,’
says my soul,
‘Therefore I hope in Him!’ ”**

History is *HIS STORY*

Deut. 18:15, “The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear,”

Deut. 18:18, “I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him.”

John 1:21, “And they asked him, ‘What then? Are you Elijah?’ He said, ‘I am not.’ ‘Are you the Prophet?’ And he answered, ‘No.’ ”

**John 1:25, “And they asked him, saying,
‘Why then do you baptize if you are not the
Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?’ ”**

Acts 3:22, “For Moses truly said to the fathers, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you.’ ”

Acts 7:37, “This is that Moses who said to the children of Israel, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear.’ ”

Moses and Samuel
Prophets who Foreshadowed
THE Prophet,
THE Messiah,

The Lord Jesus Christ

1. Both Moses and Samuel were taken from their parents and reared by others (cf. Exod. 2:1–2, 9; 1 Sam. 1:20, 28).

2. Both refused to be influenced by the paganism and apostasy around them, (Exod. 2:11–12; Heb. 11:25; 1 Sam. 2:22–26).

3. Both received their initial revelations from the Lord in the presence of an object which burned without being consumed (Exod. 3:3–10; 1 Sam. 3:3–14).

4. In both cases, the Lord addressed them by calling their name twice (cf. Exod. 3:4; 1 Sam 3:10).

Exod. 3:4, “So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, ‘Moses, Moses!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ ”

1 Sam. 3:10, “Now the LORD came and stood and called as at other times, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel answered, ‘Speak, for Your servant hears.’ ”

5. Both are identified by the same adjective, which describes no other in the OT. (Hb. *ne'ēmān*; Num. 12:7; 1 Sam. 3:20).

Num. 12:7, “Not so with My servant Moses; He is faithful in all My house.”

1 Sam. 3:20, “And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel had been established as a prophet of the LORD.”

1- נְאֵמָן *ne'eman-1* to trust

6. Both were commanded by the Lord at the beginning of their ministries to pronounce a judgment against sinful, corrupt leaders who abused and oppressed Israel (cf. Exod. 7:14–18; 1 Sam. 3:11–18).

7. Both killed an enemy of Israel with their own hands and immediately thereafter went into a period of self-imposed exile (cf. Exod. 3:12–15; 1 Sam. 15:33).

8. Both wrote down regulations (mišpātîm) that were deposited before the Lord and used to guide the nation (Lev. 26:46; Deut. 31:9; 1 Sam. 10:25).

9. Both functioned as judges, priests, and prophets (cf. Exod. 18:13; 1 Sam. 7:6, 15–16; Exod. 17:15, 24:4; Lev. 8:14–29; 1 Sam. 7:9, 17; Deut. 18:15, 34:10; 1 Sam. 3:20).

10. Both stood at the crossroads of Israel's history, sending them down the path of obedience and blessing.

11. Though both had two sons (cf. Exod. 18:2–3; 1 Sam. 8:2; 1 Chron. 6:28, 23:15), neither had offspring who were remembered as playing a significant role in later Israel. Instead, at the Lord's behest, both set apart non-family members who led Israel to possess through conquest land the Lord promised to Abraham's descendants (cf. Deut. 34:9; 1 Sam. 16:13).

**1. Everyone, King, Prophet, Judge, Priest
is under the authority of God's Word.**

2. The Lord uses the everyday believer to bring about change in the nation and to reform the culture.

3. The God of creation, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is the God who governs creation and rules in the affairs of mankind, nations, peoples. No one can escape, no religion can compete, all will be held accountable, in time and eternity.

4. Personal obedience and devotion to God results in blessing first to the individual and second to the nation.

**5. God is always faithful, never faithless.
Never succumb to hopelessness.**

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