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## Part 4: Against All Odds

### REVIEW

#### *Biblical Truths From Israel's Request For a King*

There is always going to be a pull to conform.  
What our heart wants is not always best.  
God sends us a warning because he cares.  
God will sometimes give you what you ask for.

## The Story

### 1. THE UNLIKELY JOB

1 Samuel 9:3 (ESV)- Now the donkeys of Kish, Saul's father, were lost. So Kish said to Saul his son, "Take one of the young men with you, and arise, go and look for the donkeys."

### 2. THE UNLIKELY HELP

1 Samuel 9:5-6 (ESV)-When they came to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant who was with him, "Come, let us go back, lest my father cease to care about the donkeys and become anxious about us." But he said to him, "Behold, there is a man of God in this city,

### 3. THE UNLIKELY NEWS

1 Samuel 10:1 (ESV)-Then Samuel took a flask of oil and poured it on his head and kissed him and said, "Has not the Lord anointed you to be prince over his people Israel? And you shall reign over the people of the Lord and you will save them from the hand of their surrounding enemies.

# Truths From The Story

## I. God is always at work

### A. Even when we get it wrong.

1 Samuel 10:1b (ESV)-And you shall reign over the people of the Lord and you will save them from the hand of their surrounding enemies.

### B. Even when we don't see it

1 Samuel 9:15-16 (ESV)- Now the day before Saul came, the Lord had revealed to Samuel: "Tomorrow about this time I will send to you a man from the land of Benjamin,

### C. Even in unlikely people.

1 Samuel 9:6 (ESV)- But he [the servant]said to him, "Behold, there is a man of God in this city, and he is a man who is held in honor; all that he says comes true. So now let us go there.

### D. Even in the unlikely places.

1 Samuel 9:5,10 (ESV)- When they came to the land of Zuph... So they went to the city where the man of God was...

### E. Even in the unlikely times.

1 Samuel 9:3 (ESV)- Now the donkeys of Kish, Saul's father, were lost. So Kish said to Saul his son, "Take one of the young men with you, and arise, go and look for the donkeys."

## 2. God's plans always work

Isaiah 25:1 (ESV)-O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

A. God has placed the right circumstances in our lives.

B. God has placed the right people in our lives.

C. God has planned the right moments in our lives.

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**Here Is The Point:** Our God is still at work!