# 1 SAMUEL

PURSUING GOD'S HEART

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Saul's desire is not the glory of God. It is the glory of Saul. The focus here is not on the LORD, or on the LORD's victory, but on Saul's commanded fast.

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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Only be sure that you do not eat the blood, for the blood is the life; you may not eat the life with the meat.

Deuteronomy 12:23

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But he that maketh so much ado about eating with the blood, makes nothing of spilling the blood of innocent Jonathan.

John Trapp, John Trapp's Complete Commentary

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Strange perverseness! He who was so indulgent as to spare wicked Agag, chapter 15, is now so severe as to destroy his own worthy son.

Matthew Poole, Commentary On The Whole Bible

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Unless the LORD builds the house,
They labor in vain who build it; Unless
the LORD guards the city, The
watchman stays awake in vain.
Psalm 127:1

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Saul never submitted to divine authority unless he felt it was to his advantage to do so. He always wanted to maintain control over his own life.

Thomas Constable, The Expository Notes Of Dr. Constable

#### Minister To One Another

- Manifestations of the Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)
  - word of wisdom
  - word of knowledge
  - faith
  - gifts of healings
  - working of miracles
  - prophecy
  - discerning of spirits
- Share Verses With Each Other (Colossians 3:16)
- Pray For One Another (James 5:16)