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Therefore it shall be, when the LORD your God has given you rest from your enemies all around, in the land which the LORD your God is giving you to possess as an inheritance, that you will blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. You shall not forget.

Deuteronomy 25:19

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“ Nothing could justify such an exterminating decree but the absolute authority of God. This was given: all the reasons of it we do not know; but this we know well, The Judge of all the earth doth right. ”

Adam Clarke, Adam Clarke's Commentary On The Bible

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2. Partial Obedience Is Disobedience (v4-15)

“Pride and disobedience make us blind - or deaf - to our sin. What was completely obvious to Samuel was invisible to Saul. We all have blind spots of sin in our lives, and we need to constantly ask God to show them to us.”

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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2. Partial Obedience Is Disobedience (v4-15)

Psalm 139

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart;

Try me, and know my anxieties;

24 And see if there is any wicked way in
me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

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“ One could make a thousand sacrifices unto God; work a thousand hours for God’s service; or give millions of dollars to His work. But all of those sacrifices mean little if there is not a surrendered heart to God, shown by simple obedience. ”

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4. Disobedience Has Consequences (v24-31)

“Saul’s confession was superficial. The Hebrew word translated “transgressed” means “overlooked.” Saul only admitted that he had overlooked some small and relatively unimportant part of what God had commanded. What God called rebellion Saul called an oversight.”

Thomas Constable, Expository Notes Of Dr. Constable

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4. Disobedience Has Consequences (v24-31)

For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication! In all things you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

2 Corinthians 7:11

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5. Disobedience Hurts God And His People (v32-35)

“ Samuel shows that he has God’s heart. It hurt God to reject Saul, and it hurt God’s prophet to see him rejected. We are close to God’s heart when the things that grieve Him grieve us, and the things that please God please us. ”

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“Saul was full of fire and zeal when it came to his own will, but not when it came to the will of God.”

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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)