



OPEN YOUR BIBLE

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The claim of all the elders of Israel that Samuel's age and his sons' malfeasance present a leadership crisis cannot be denied. But the elders come not just to state the problem but also to state what is in their view the solution.

V. Philips Long, Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries

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Why Is It Foolish To Live By Comparison?

1. Other People Are Not
The Standard God Will
Use To Judge You
2. What You See In Other
People Is Not Accurate
3. God Works Differently
With Different People
4. God Wants To Lead
You Directly

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2. To Give Up After Failure Is Foolish (1 Samuel 12:19-22)

The only foolishness more foolish than the initial foolishness
is to give up on trying not to be foolish.

J.B. Simmons, Teaching 1 Samuel 12 On September 26th 2021

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2. To Give Up After Failure Is Foolish
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For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, And hewn themselves cisterns—broken cisterns that can hold no water.

Jeremiah 2:13

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Samuel wants Israel to know that God loves them. This is why, despite the sin of their past, they can get on with serving the Lord and still see His blessing.
Because God loves them.

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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Why Is It Foolish To Give Up After Failure?

1. Chasing Empty Things
Is The Only Other
Option
2. God Has Not Given Up
On You
3. God's Mercies Are New
Every Morning

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Why Is It Foolish To Let Urgency Override God?

1. Your View Of The Situation Is Not Complete
2. God Is Not Limited By Time And Space
3. You Risk Sabotaging Your Future

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Until we learn to trust God and wait on His timing, we can't learn the other lessons He wants to teach us, nor can we receive the blessings He's planned for us.

Warren Wiersbe, "Be" Commentary Series

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Saul certainly could be zealous in commanding his army when it suited him to be so.

In the previous chapter, he commanded a death sentence on anyone who ate anything on the day of battle. He was willing to execute his own son in his zeal to have his command obeyed. 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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Luke 12

4 “And I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5 But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear Him who, after He has killed, has power to cast into hell; yes, I say to you, fear Him!

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