



## Unpacking My Baggage: Insecurities

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### 1 Samuel 10:20-27 NLT

<sup>20</sup> So Samuel brought all the tribes of Israel before the Lord, and the tribe of Benjamin was chosen by lot. <sup>21</sup> Then he brought each family of the tribe of Benjamin before the Lord, and the family of the Matrites was chosen. And finally Saul son of Kish was chosen from among them. But when they looked for him, he had disappeared! <sup>22</sup> So they asked the Lord, "Where is he?" And the Lord replied, "He is hiding among the baggage." <sup>23</sup> So they found him and brought him out, and he stood head and shoulders above anyone else.

<sup>24</sup> Then Samuel said to all the people, "This is the man the Lord has chosen as your king. No one in all Israel is like him!" And all the people shouted, "Long live the king!" <sup>25</sup> Then Samuel told the people what the rights and duties of a king were. He wrote them down on a scroll and placed it before the Lord. Then Samuel sent the people home again. <sup>26</sup> When Saul returned to his home at Gibeah, a group of men whose hearts God had touched went with him. <sup>27</sup> But there were some scoundrels who complained, "How can this man save us?" And they scorned him and refused to bring him gifts. But Saul ignored them.

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### 1 Samuel 9:6-8 NLT

<sup>6</sup> But the servant said, "I've just thought of something! There is a man of God who lives here in this town. He is held in high honor by all the people because everything he says comes true. Let's go find him. Perhaps he can tell us which way to go." <sup>7</sup> "But we don't have anything to offer him," Saul replied. "Even our food is gone, and we don't have a thing to give him." <sup>8</sup> "Well," the servant said, "I have one small silver piece. <sup>[a]</sup> We can at least offer it to the man of God and see what happens!"

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### 1 Samuel 9:18-21 NLT

<sup>18</sup> Just then Saul approached Samuel at the gateway and asked, "Can you please tell me where the seer's house is?" <sup>19</sup> "I am the seer!" Samuel replied. "Go up to the place of worship ahead of me. We will eat there together, and in the morning, I'll tell you what you want to know and send you on your way." <sup>20</sup> And don't worry about those donkeys that were lost three days ago, for they have been found. And I am here to tell you that you and your family are the focus of all Israel's hopes." <sup>21</sup> Saul replied, "But I'm only from the tribe of Benjamin, the smallest tribe in Israel, and my family is the least important of all the families of that tribe! Why are you talking like this to me?"

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### 1 Samuel 10:14-16 NLT

<sup>14</sup> "Where have you been?" Saul's uncle asked him and his servant. "We were looking for the donkeys," Saul replied, "but we couldn't find them. So we went to Samuel to ask him where they were." <sup>15</sup> "Oh? And what did he say?" his uncle asked. <sup>16</sup> "He told us that the donkeys had already been found," Saul replied. But Saul didn't tell his uncle what Samuel said about the kingdom.

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**REFERENCE SCRIPTURES**

**1 Samuel 9:22-24 NLT**

<sup>22</sup>Then Samuel brought Saul and his servant into the hall and placed them at the head of the table, honoring them above the thirty special guests. <sup>23</sup>Samuel then instructed the cook to bring Saul the finest cut of meat, the piece that had been set aside for the guest of honor. <sup>24</sup>So the cook brought in the meat and placed it before Saul. "Go ahead and eat it," Samuel said. "I was saving it for you even before I invited these others!" So Saul ate with Samuel that day.

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**1 Samuel 9:27 NLT**

<sup>27</sup>When they reached the edge of town, Samuel told Saul to send his servant on ahead. After the servant was gone, Samuel said, "Stay here, for I have received a special message for you from God."

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**1 Samuel 10:7 NLT**

<sup>7</sup>After these signs take place, do what must be done, for God is with you.

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**1 Samuel 10:9 NLT**

<sup>9</sup>As Saul turned and started to leave, God gave him a new heart, and all Samuel's signs were fulfilled that day.

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**Psalms 139:1-4 NLT**

<sup>1</sup>O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me. <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I'm far away. <sup>3</sup>You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do. <sup>4</sup>You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord.

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**Romans 8:28 NLT**

<sup>28</sup>And we know that God causes everything to work together<sup>[a]</sup> for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

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**REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

Where in your life do you believe that you lack anything to offer to God?

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