

Two Priestly Tracks

Key Passage: 1 Samuel 2-3

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Background: Samuel was dedicated to minister to the LORD in Shiloh under Eli's care

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1 Samuel 2:11-18, 22-26

- Sons of Belial: Sons of Eli (v12-17)
 - Input: Draw people away from the Lord (Deut. 13:13)
 - Sinning in the tabernacle
 - Sleeping with Ladies
 - Eating the first fruits
 - They were only suppose to eat the shoulder (Lev. 7:30-34)
 - All the fat was the LORD's (Lev. 3:16)
 - People 'abhorred' the offering of the LORD
 - Output: God's judgment (v34)
- Minister unto the Lord: Samuel (v11, 18, 26)
 - Input: Bring yourself and others to the Lord
 - Linen Ephod with stones bearing the 12 tribes (Exodus 28:4)
 - Output: Intimacy with God (v35)

Key Observations

- You can grow up in church and not know the LORD (v12)

Barometer of which track your on

- Simple Obedience
- Fruit
 - Fruit of the Spirit
 - Patients for God's provision
 - Spiritual Fruit
 - Know a tree by its fruit (Matt. 7:16-17)
 - You can only have one of two fathers (John 8:44)

Priestly Opportunity to Know God

1 Samuel 3:1-3, 7, 9-10, 18-21

Key Observations

- You can grow up in church and not know the LORD (v7)
 - Knowing God and His word being revealed to us are intertwined
- Your posture before God matters (v9-10)
- Lord reveals himself by his word (v18-21; Psalm 138:2)