

*Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from November 20, 2011**  
**A Cry For A King**  
**1 Samuel 8:1-22**

**Observing the text**

How were Samuel's kids bad?

What was Samuel's responsibility?

Why did Israel desire to have a king?

Why did Israel refuse to listen to Samuel?

What reasons did Samuel give to discourage them?

**Applying the sermon**

How have you desired for something in your life in order to be more like people around you rather than pleasing God?

What was the outcome when you obtained this?

Why is the place of God as the King of your life so important?

What things are you presently pursuing that might be reconsidered in light of the example of Israel's foolish desire for a king?