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In our world, we commonly outsource much of our life to professionals. We also have a tendency to do that with our faith as well. The story of Israel demanding a king in 1 Samuel demonstrates for us that God desires an unmediated relationship with us. It's scary, but we were created for that freedom!

scripture for further reading

1 Samuel 8:1-18; Isaiah 9:2-7; Philippians 2:5-11; 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Revelation 5:1-14

discussion questions

- 1. Why did Israel want a king? What were they afraid of?
- 2. What does it look like to outsource your spirituality?
- 3. Why is the freedom God offers us so threatening?
- 4. What does it look like for you to have an unmediated relationship with God?
- 5. What's the next right step for you to take this week in your relationship with God?





