

Sermon Outline

Renewal at Twilight

1 Samuel 11:1-12:25

Introduction: *Linsanity!*

I. 1 Samuel 11: A sequel to the book of Judges

There was no king in Israel (Judges 19-21)

Saul has already been revealed to be Israel's first king

Gibeah and Jabesh-Gilead redeemed (11:1-5)

The Spirit of God rushed upon ... (11:6)

An offer they couldn't refuse (11:7-11)

Saulsanity! King Saul at his best (11:12-15)

This was Yahweh's victory!

II. 1 Samuel 12: Renewal at Twilight

Samuel's final speech as Judge of Israel

Samuel's faithfulness: *Miss me yet?* (12:1-5)

Yahweh's faithfulness (12:6-11)

Israel's unfaithfulness (12:12-15)

The severity and goodness of God

An unseasonable thunderstorm (12:16-18)

Israel's repents and God forgives (12:19-22)

Embrace *Linsanity* – it may be the best you get!

III. Christ the true and better Samuel

John 17 (Jesus final prayer)

John 14 (Jesus parting promise)