## Sept 14/25 - Messy Stories, Faithful God - 1 Sam 9 & 10

## **Small Group Questions**

- 1. Think back to a recent "first" in your life—a new job, new phase, new challenge. What emotions did it stir in you? Did you sense God's presence in that transition?
- 2. The Israelites' motives were sinful when asking for a king, but God named that and then worked within their request to lead them back to him. What do you think it means to believe that God can still work through us—even when our motives or decisions aren't perfect? How does this shape your view of God?
- 3. God used lost donkeys, a servant, townspeople, Samuel, and the Spirit to guide Saul. What are some of the ways you have experienced God's guidance through unexpected people or situations?
- 4. Saul had a specific role, but his success depended on his dependence on God. What role has God given you, and how are you learning to depend on Him in it?
- 5. "Do you see the one the Lord has chosen?" What helps you keep your eyes fixed on Jesus in a world filled with competing "kings" and idols?