

Truth Be Told

Who is the most honest person you know in your life?

Read 1 Samuel 15:1-35.

1. Why did God tell Saul to destroy the Amalekites completely?
 - A. Show that God is in charge.
 - B. Remove a threat to Israel's future.
 - C. Punish the Amalekites for past wrongs.
 - D. Test Saul's loyalty.
 - E. Clean up the land from bad stuff.
 - F. Make a prophecy come true.
 - G. See if Saul would listen.
 - H. It was a random command.
 - I. Other.

2. What was so wrong about Saul's actions?
 - A. He didn't completely destroy everything.
 - B. Listened to his soldiers instead of God.
 - C. Saved the Amalekite king.
 - D. Ate all of the Amalekite food.
 - E. Saved the best of the animals.
 - F. Saved anything that was of worth.
 - G. Didn't do anything wrong.
 - H. Did most of what God said, but not everything.
 - I. Other.

3. How did Samuel respond when he found out Saul didn't follow God's command?
 - A. Said "Good job" for doing some of it.
 - B. Felt sad but understood why Saul did it.
 - C. Scolded Saul strongly.
 - D. Didn't pay attention.
 - E. Laughed and thought it was silly.
 - F. Understood Saul's problems.
 - G. Talked to God for Saul.
 - H. Offered something to make up for it.
 - I. Other.

4. What do Saul's excuses show about what kind of person he was?
 - A. He cared more about what others thought than what God said.
 - B. Was easily influenced by what others said.
 - C. Didn't really get what God wanted.
 - D. Had a hard time being a leader.
 - E. Was too busy with other things to listen to God.
 - F. Thought he knew better than God.
 - G. Other.

5. How can we use what happened to Saul to learn in our own lives?
 - A. Do what God says even if it's hard.
 - B. Care more about what God thinks than what others think.
 - C. Don't hide our sins.
 - D. Own up to our wrongs.
 - E. We shouldn't question God's commands.
 - F. We should question God's commands.
 - G. Other.

6. How do you react when you get called out?
 - A. I get defensive.
 - B. Make excuses like Saul.
 - C. Don't tell the whole truth.
 - D. Own up right away.
 - E. Apologize and see how I can grow.
 - F. Blame someone else.
 - G. Other

7. Why is it hard for people our age to do completely everything God says?

8. What would you say to a friend who may be struggling to tell the whole truth?