Daily Bible Reading For 365 Days- English Standard Version

Day 103- Apr 13

<u>Old Testament</u>

- **1Sa 13:1** Saul was ... years old when he began to reign, and he reigned ... and two years over Israel.
- **1Sa 13:2** Saul chose three thousand men of Israel. Two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and the hill country of Bethel, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin. The rest of the people he sent home, every man to his tent.
- 1Sa 13:3 Jonathan defeated the garrison of the Philistines that was at Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, "Let the Hebrews hear."
- 1Sa 13:4 And all Israel heard it said that Saul had defeated the garrison of the Philistines, and also that Israel had become a stench to the Philistines. And the people were called out to join Saul at Gilgal.
- **1Sa 13:5** And the Philistines mustered to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots and six thousand horsemen and troops like the sand on the seashore in multitude. They came up and encamped in Michmash, to the east of Beth-aven.
- 1Sa 13:6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in trouble (for the people were hard pressed), the people hid themselves in caves and in holes and in rocks and in tombs and in cisterns,
- **1Sa 13:7** and some Hebrews crossed the fords of the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. Saul was still at Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling.
- **1Sa 13:8** He waited seven days, the time appointed by Samuel. But Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people were scattering from him.
- 1Sa 13:9 So Saul said, "Bring the burnt offering here to me, and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering.
- 1Sa 13:10 As soon as he had finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him and greet him.
- 1Sa 13:11 Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "When I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the days appointed, and that the Philistines had mustered at Michmash,
- **1Sa 13:12** I said, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the favor of the LORD.' So I forced myself, and offered the burnt offering."
- 1Sa 13:13 And Samuel said to Saul, "You have done foolishly. You have not kept the command of the LORD your God, with which he commanded you. For then the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever.
- 1Sa 13:14 But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought out a man after his own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."
- 1Sa 13:15 And Samuel arose and went up from Gilgal. The rest of the people went up after Saul to meet the army; they went up from Gilgal to Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people who were present with him, about six hundred men.
- **1Sa 13:16** And Saul and Jonathan his son and the people who were present with them stayed in Geba of Benjamin, but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.
- **1Sa 13:17** And raiders came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies. One company turned toward Ophrah, to the land of Shual;
- **1Sa 13:18** another company turned toward Beth-horon; and another company turned toward the border that looks down on the Valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.

- **1Sa 13:19** Now there was no blacksmith to be found throughout all the land of Israel, for the Philistines said, "Lest the Hebrews make themselves swords or spears."
- **1Sa 13:20** But every one of the Israelites went down to the Philistines to sharpen his plowshare, his mattock, his axe, or his sickle,
- **1Sa 13:21** and the charge was two-thirds of a shekel for the plowshares and for the mattocks, and a third of a shekel for sharpening the axes and for setting the goads.
- **1Sa 13:22** So on the day of the battle there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people with Saul and Jonathan, but Saul and Jonathan his son had them.
- 1Sa 13:23 And the garrison of the Philistines went out to the pass of Michmash.
- **1Sa 14:1** One day Jonathan the son of Saul said to the young man who carried his armor, "Come, let us go over to the Philistine garrison on the other side." But he did not tell his father.
- **1Sa 14:2** Saul was staying in the outskirts of Gibeah in the pomegranate cave at Migron. The people who were with him were about six hundred men,
- 1Sa 14:3 including Ahijah the son of Ahitub, Ichabod's brother, son of Phinehas, son of Eli, the priest of the LORD in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people did not know that Jonathan had gone.
- 1Sa 14:4 Within the passes, by which Jonathan sought to go over to the Philistine garrison, there was a rocky crag on the one side and a rocky crag on the other side. The name of the one was Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.
- 1Sa 14:5 The one crag rose on the north in front of Michmash, and the other on the south in front of Geba.
- 1Sa 14:6 Jonathan said to the young man who carried his armor, "Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised. It may be that the LORD will work for us, for nothing can hinder the LORD from saving by many or by few."
- 1Sa 14:7 And his armor-bearer said to him, "Do all that is in your heart. Do as you wish. Behold, I am with you heart and soul."
- 1Sa 14:8 Then Jonathan said, "Behold, we will cross over to the men, and we will show ourselves to them.
- 1Sa 14:9 If they say to us, 'Wait until we come to you,' then we will stand still in our place, and we will not go up to them.
- **1Sa 14:10** But if they say, 'Come up to us,' then we will go up, for the LORD has given them into our hand. And this shall be the sign to us."
- 1Sa 14:11 So both of them showed themselves to the garrison of the Philistines. And the Philistines said, "Look, Hebrews are coming out of the holes where they have hidden themselves."
- 1Sa 14:12 And the men of the garrison hailed Jonathan and his armor-bearer and said, "Come up to us, and we will show you a thing." And Jonathan said to his armor-bearer, "Come up after me, for the LORD has given them into the hand of Israel."
- **1Sa 14:13** Then Jonathan climbed up on his hands and feet, and his armor-bearer after him. And they fell before Jonathan, and his armor-bearer killed them after him.
- **1Sa 14:14** And that first strike, which Jonathan and his armor-bearer made, killed about twenty men within as it were half a furrow's length in an acre of land.
- **1Sa 14:15** And there was a panic in the camp, in the field, and among all the people. The garrison and even the raiders trembled, the earth quaked, and it became a very great panic.
- **1Sa 14:16** And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked, and behold, the multitude was dispersing here and there.
- **1Sa 14:17** Then Saul said to the people who were with him, "Count and see who has gone from us." And when they had counted, behold, Jonathan and his armor-bearer were not there.

- **1Sa 14:18** So Saul said to Ahijah, "Bring the ark of God here." For the ark of God went at that time with the people of Israel.
- **1Sa 14:19** Now while Saul was talking to the priest, the tumult in the camp of the Philistines increased more and more. So Saul said to the priest, "Withdraw your hand."
- **1Sa 14:20** Then Saul and all the people who were with him rallied and went into the battle. And behold, every Philistine's sword was against his fellow, and there was very great confusion.
- 1Sa 14:21 Now the Hebrews who had been with the Philistines before that time and who had gone up with them into the camp, even they also turned to be with the Israelites who were with Saul and Jonathan.
- 1Sa 14:22 Likewise, when all the men of Israel who had hidden themselves in the hill country of Ephraim heard that the Philistines were fleeing, they too followed hard after them in the battle.
- 1Sa 14:23 So the LORD saved Israel that day. And the battle passed beyond Beth-aven.
- 1Sa 14:24 And the men of Israel had been hard pressed that day, so Saul had laid an oath on the people, saying, "Cursed be the man who eats food until it is evening and I am avenged on my enemies." So none of the people had tasted food.
- 1Sa 14:25 Now when all the people came to the forest, behold, there was honey on the ground.
- **1Sa 14:26** And when the people entered the forest, behold, the honey was dropping, but no one put his hand to his mouth, for the people feared the oath.
- 1Sa 14:27 But Jonathan had not heard his father charge the people with the oath, so he put out the tip of the staff that was in his hand and dipped it in the honeycomb and put his hand to his mouth, and his eyes became bright.
- 1Sa 14:28 Then one of the people said, "Your father strictly charged the people with an oath, saying, 'Cursed be the man who eats food this day." And the people were faint.
- **1Sa 14:29** Then Jonathan said, "My father has troubled the land. See how my eyes have become bright because I tasted a little of this honey.
- 1Sa 14:30 How much better if the people had eaten freely today of the spoil of their enemies that they found. For now the defeat among the Philistines has not been great."
- 1Sa 14:31 They struck down the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon. And the people were very faint.
- **1Sa 14:32** The people pounced on the spoil and took sheep and oxen and calves and slaughtered them on the ground. And the people ate them with the blood.
- 1Sa 14:33 Then they told Saul, "Behold, the people are sinning against the LORD by eating with the blood." And he said, "You have dealt treacherously; roll a great stone to me here."
- 1Sa 14:34 And Saul said, "Disperse yourselves among the people and say to them, 'Let every man bring his ox or his sheep and slaughter them here and eat, and do not sin against the LORD by eating with the blood." So every one of the people brought his ox with him that night and they slaughtered them there.
- 1Sa 14:35 And Saul built an altar to the LORD; it was the first altar that he built to the LORD.
- 1Sa 14:36 Then Saul said, "Let us go down after the Philistines by night and plunder them until the morning light; let us not leave a man of them." And they said, "Do whatever seems good to you." But the priest said, "Let us draw near to God here."
- 1Sa 14:37 And Saul inquired of God, "Shall I go down after the Philistines? Will you give them into the hand of Israel?" But he did not answer him that day.
- **1Sa 14:38** And Saul said, "Come here, all you leaders of the people, and know and see how this sin has arisen today.
- **1Sa 14:39** For as the LORD lives who saves Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die." But there was not a man among all the people who answered him.
- 1Sa 14:40 Then he said to all Israel, "You shall be on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on the other side." And the people said to Saul, "Do what seems good to you."

- 1Sa 14:41 Therefore Saul said, "O LORD God of Israel, why have you not answered your servant this day? If this guilt is in me or in Jonathan my son, O LORD, God of Israel, give Urim. But if this guilt is in your people Israel, give Thummim." And Jonathan and Saul were taken, but the people escaped.
- 1Sa 14:42 Then Saul said, "Cast the lot between me and my son Jonathan." And Jonathan was taken.
- 1Sa 14:43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, "Tell me what you have done." And Jonathan told him, "I tasted a little honey with the tip of the staff that was in my hand. Here I am; I will die."
- 1Sa 14:44 And Saul said, "God do so to me and more also; you shall surely die, Jonathan."
- 1Sa 14:45 Then the people said to Saul, "Shall Jonathan die, who has worked this great salvation in Israel? Far from it! As the LORD lives, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground, for he has worked with God this day." So the people ransomed Jonathan, so that he did not die.
- **1Sa 14:46** Then Saul went up from pursuing the Philistines, and the Philistines went to their own place.
- 1Sa 14:47 When Saul had taken the kingship over Israel, he fought against all his enemies on every side, against Moab, against the Ammonites, against Edom, against the kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines. Wherever he turned he routed them.
- **1Sa 14:48** And he did valiantly and struck the Amalekites and delivered Israel out of the hands of those who plundered them.
- 1Sa 14:49 Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, Ishvi, and Malchi-shua. And the names of his two daughters were these: the name of the firstborn was Merab, and the name of the younger Michal.
- 1Sa 14:50 And the name of Saul's wife was Ahinoam the daughter of Ahimaaz. And the name of the commander of his army was Abner the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.
- 1Sa 14:51 Kish was the father of Saul, and Ner the father of Abner was the son of Abiel.
- **1Sa 14:52** There was hard fighting against the Philistines all the days of Saul. And when Saul saw any strong man, or any valiant man, he attached him to himself.

New Testament

- Luk 14:1 One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully.
- Luk 14:2 And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy.
- Luk 14:3 And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?"
- Luk 14:4 But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away.
- Luk 14:5 And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?"
- Luk 14:6 And they could not reply to these things.
- Luk 14:7 Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them,
- Luk 14:8 "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him,
- Luk 14:9 and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place.
- Luk 14:10 But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you.
- Luk 14:11 For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

- Luk 14:12 He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid.
- Luk 14:13 But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind,
- Luk 14:14 and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."
- Luk 14:15 When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"
- Luk 14:16 But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many.
- Luk 14:17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'
- Luk 14:18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.'
- Luk 14:19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.'
- Luk 14:20 And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'
- Luk 14:21 So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.'
- Luk 14:22 And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.'
- Luk 14:23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.
- Luk 14:24 For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet."