## SERMON NOTES July 3, 2011

Josh Vaughan, preaching

## "From Rejection to Renewal: How God Restores a Nation" 1 Samuel 12:7-25

Scripture Reading (from the Holman Christian Standard Bible)

## 1 Samuel 8:4-7

<sup>4</sup> So all the elders of Israel gathered together and went to Samuel at Ramah. <sup>5</sup> They said to him, "Look, you are old, and your sons do not follow your example. Therefore, appoint a king to judge us the same as all the other nations have." <sup>6</sup> When they said, "Give us a king to judge us," Samuel considered their demand sinful, so he prayed to the Lord. <sup>7</sup> But the Lord told him, "Listen to the people and everything they say to you. They have not rejected you; they have rejected Me as their king.

## 1 Samuel 12:19-20

<sup>19</sup> They pleaded with Samuel, "Pray to the Lord your God for your servants, so we won't die! For we have added to all our sins the evil of requesting a king for ourselves." <sup>20</sup> Samuel replied, "Don't be afraid. Even though you have committed all this evil, don't turn away from following the Lord. Instead, worship the Lord with all your heart.

- Rejection (12:7-12)
- Ruling (12:13-18)
- Repentance (12:19)
- Renewal (12:20-25)