

The Exile of the Ark and Samuel's Leadership

1 Samuel 4 - 7

Main Idea: We can sometimes win physical battles in our own strength and by our own wits, but spiritual battles are not won this way.

I. THE ARK CAPTURED – 1 Samuel 4

Principle: *Our religious acts or relics cannot _____.*

II. THE ARK IN PHILISTIA AND ITS RETURN – 1 Samuel 5 – 6

Principle: *To accept God's omnipotence is to accept _____.*

III. THE ISRAELITES' VICTORY – 1 Samuel 7

Principle: *Those who _____ before the Lord see His power at work on their behalf.*