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1 Samuel 15:35

“And Samuel no longer came to see Saul until the day of his death; nevertheless, Samuel mourned for Saul. And the LORD repented that He had made Saul King over Israel.” 1 Samuel 15:35

What could be more tragic than being cut off from the word of the LORD? Saul had so violated his own conscience, as well as the word of the LORD, that he is now left to his own devices. To be so hardened in heart and dulled in spiritual hearing that God's Word cannot penetrate the heart is a terrible thing. It literally cuts you off from the light of God! “This then is the message which we have heard of Him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.” (1 John 1:5-8). It is the light of God's Word that keeps us walking in life! “The entrance of Your word gives light.” (Psalm 119:130). A dull and hardened heart also prevents your faith from being a living and vibrant faith for “faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17).

As believers, let us determine now to always yield to our conscience and to the word of the LORD – whether it comes to us directly from the Scriptures as the Holy Spirit illuminates it to our hearts or as we sit under the anointed teaching of God's servants. By all means we must submit ourselves to the authority of the word of God and we must guard our heart from the hardness that comes with disobedience.