



Sunday Sept 11 2022  
A Selfish Heart – How To Get It Wrong With God.  
1 Samuel 2:11–36:

Simon Guillebaud preaching

Before getting into the discussion, what was your main takeaway, looking back at Sunday's sermon a few days later?

The danger is thinking we're nothing like Eli's sons, Hophni and Phineas, but in what ways might we relate to them?

The fat was considered the best bit and should have been given to God. They wanted and took it by force. Do you give God your best?

Matthew 6:33

Honestly do we? In what areas do we justify not giving the best? What holds us back from obeying in that area?

Jeremiah 17:9 say the heart is deceitful above all things. Do you agree?

Was Eli a good man? Where did he go wrong, do you think? How might that apply to us at different levels?

The unnamed man-of-God's prophecy was fulfilled when? Did you track with the partial fulfilment in Samuel, and then Zadok, and then ultimately in Jesus? V.35

Re-visit the illustration from the temple and the various barriers. Have we/I lost a sense of the awesome fear of the Lord? How has Jesus – and reading this passage through a New Testament lens – changed things?

How would you describe the state of your heart?

The picture of Jesus at the door of your heart: have you responded fully to Him? Is He welcome all the way into every room of your heart? What areas are you holding back? Is it ultimately a fearful or a comforting picture? What does that say of your view of God?

Do you have a desire to share your faith? If not, why not? If yes Simon offered us the chance of being trained up. You could watch this one-hour zoom training he did with folks in Bath during lockdown

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