

## Comparison of the Two Sauls

Category	King Saul	Saul of Tarsus (Apostle Paul)
<b>Born of Tribe the of Benjamin</b>	ISam 9:2,21	Phil 3:5
<b>Father a man of valor</b>	1Sam 9:1	Paul inherited Roman citizenship from his father (Acts 22:28). ?A man of valor?
<b>“Little”</b>	“Little in your own eyes” ISam 15:17 ISam9:2 “...a choice and handsome man, and there was not a more handsome person than he among the sons of Israel; from his shoulders and up he was taller than any of the people.”	“Paul” = little in Latin Eph 3:8, 2 Cor 10:1, 10, 2 Cor 12:9
<b>Persecution</b>	I Sam 18:29, I Sam 20:1,31, I Sam 20:42, I Sam 22:16-19, I Sam 26:18 Persecuted David	Acts 9:4 “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?” Acts 8:3, Acts 9:1-2, Acts 9:5, Acts 9:13-14, 21, Gal 1:13, Phil 3:6; ICor15:9 (Paul persecuted the Church)
<b>Leadership</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> King of the Jews I Sam 8:5, I Sam 10	(Last) Apostle to the Gentiles 1Cor 15:8-9
<b>Evil Spirit</b>	From the Lord I Sam 16:14-16	Thorn in the flesh from Satan 2 Cor 12:7
<b>Talked with dead</b>	Samuel 1Sam 28:13-20	Jesus Acts 9:4-6
<b>Prophesied</b>	ISam10:5-11	2 Cor 12:2
<b>Appointment during a journey</b>	First King I Sam 9 - 10	Last Apostle Acts 9:3-6
<b>Both sinned by performing religious action</b>	ISam 13:8-14 (Per Ryrie “Saul was disobedient to God’s spokesman. Rather than waiting on Samuel (10:8), he offered a burnt offering to unite the people and prepare for war. He resorted to situation ethics rather than biblical ethics, and then offered excuses for his conduct but no valid reasons (13:10-12).”	Acts 21:10-26
<b>Beheaded</b>	I Sam 31:4 Saul fell on his sword (i.e. he committed suicide); 31:9 the Philistines cut off his head	Tradition says Paul was beheaded.
<b>Life</b>	Saul started out as good but became evil	Paul started out bad (killing Christians) but became good.