

They DEMANDED a King

The nation was morally DEPRAVED, they trusted in OBJECTS to secure victory rather than COUNSEL from God, and they felt THREATENED by outside forces.

Rejecting God as King Was IDOLATRY

To reject God from being King over them was to FORGET the past, to ABANDON the covenant, and to refuse to be GODLIKE.

If You Want a King, Count the COST

God prophesied that Israel would have a godly king that recognized God's AUTHORITY and kept from power and riches. The peoples' choice would take their sons for INDUSTRY and war, their daughters for servants, a portion of their land and animals for TAXES, and the nation would be his slaves.

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God Has Given Us a King: JESUS

The prophecies about the Messiah-King would ultimately come about by establishing the monarchy in Israel. And when God's chosen King finally came, they CRUCIFIED Him, but God RESURRECTED Him and gave Him an eternal kingdom.