**SERMON OUTLINE**

A PICTURE OF FOLLY

I SAMUEL 14:24-52

AUGUST 20TH, 2023

1. **Saul’s Foolish Vow: vs. 24-35**
2. **Saul’s Foolish Proposal: vs. 36-46**
3. **Saul’s Sad Legacy: vs. 47-52**

Jonathan and Saul Comparison

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| Success of Jonathan 13:2-4 | Success of Jonathan 14:1-15 | Wisdom of Jonathan 14:27-30 |
| Fear of Israel 13:5-7 | Deliverance of Israel 14:16-23 | Offense of Israel 14:31-35 |
| Folly of Saul 13:8-15 | Folly of Saul 14:24 | Folly of Saul 14:36-44 |
| Distress of Israel 13:16-23 | Distress of Israel 14:25-26 | Intervention of Israel 14:45-46 |

1. **Application: Four Characteristics of a Fool**
2. **Fools live as a functional atheist**
3. **Fools are dominated by short-sightedness**
4. **Fools mistake the real battleground**
5. **Fools elevate their own commands above God’s (legalism)**

**BENEDICTION:** **Benediction**: “He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, but he who walks wisely will be delivered.” – Proverbs 28:26