

NOTES

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“This is what the Lord of Heaven’s Armies has declared: I have decided to settle accounts with the nation of Amalek for opposing Israel when they came from Egypt. Now go and **completely** destroy the entire Amalekite nation—men, women, children, babies, cattle, sheep, goats, camels, and donkeys.”

1 Samuel 15:2-3 NLT

“Then Saul slaughtered the Amalekites from Havilah all the way to Shur, east of Egypt. He captured **Agag**, the Amalekite king, but completely destroyed everyone else. Saul and his men **spared** Agag’s life and kept the **best** of the sheep and goats, the cattle, the fat calves, and the lambs—everything, in fact, that appealed to them. They destroyed only what was **worthless** or of poor quality.”

1 Samuel 15:7-9 NLT

Selective **obedience** is just another form of **disobedience**.

“‘But I did obey the Lord,’ Saul insisted. ‘I carried out the mission he gave me. I brought back **King Agag**, but I destroyed everyone else. Then my troops brought in the best of the sheep, goats, cattle, and plunder to sacrifice to the Lord your God in Gilgal.’ But Samuel replied, ‘What is more pleasing to the Lord: your burnt offerings and sacrifices or your obedience to his voice? Listen! Obedience is better than sacrifice, and submission is better than offering the fat of rams.’”

1 Samuel 15:20-22 NLT

“After these events, King Xerxes honored Haman son of Hammedatha, the **Agagite**, elevating him and giving him a seat of honor higher than that of all the other nobles.”

Esther 3:1 NIV

“For the sinful **nature** is always **hostile** to God. It **never** did obey God’s laws, and it **never** will.

Romans 8:7 NLT