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Assignment 3

According to the book of Samuel, Eli was a high priest of Shiloh. As a servitor of God people would assume that Eli and his family would all be following God's words and walking in His righteousness path. Indeed he was a great priest however he failed as a father, his kids did not have any respect neither for God or God's offering. Although Eli knew everything that was happening in his children's life he did push them to change their behavior toward God and God's people. Everyone would say how bad Eli sons were acting but he would only tell them to stop instead of talking strictly to them and make them see their wrongs. Or even apologise

When it's come to being good or bad Eli would fit in the middle he wasn't complete bad, through the reading it mention that he was a great priest but his love for his kids put him in discomfort with God, after everything his children have being doing, God did not take pleasure in them anymore and He decide to punish them because according to 1 Samuel ch 3 v 13 God did not agree with him because he knew all the disrespectful causing by his children to God and he said nothing, God felt that Eli was more frighten about his children than Him. As for me I feel like he wasn't a bad person but just let his love for his kids blind him and forget that children of God has a way to be raised, and must humble before God, God's law, and His people.

The first three chapters of Samuel did not really gives a lot of details about what type of person was Eli other than being a bad father, based on my understanding of the text I feel like Eli was a good person but was just to careless with his kids, as a servitor of God other people see

you and the family as a model so he should know better to correct his children when their acting bad and rude, he wasn't supposed to let them get out of hand until for God decided to kill all of them. Regardless of the communion between God and His children He will always stretch them when they need to be fixed. God loves when his kids are humble, follow law, and being obedient.

From this passage I learn that although God is God of mercy and patient, he punished severely so he could make everyone understand that He is God, the King of the universe that no one is above Him. My takeaway is that God is not a game. It is true that He will try to save us all and give us time to repent but when he reached his verdict no one can save us from Him. He is a fair God that respects His promises and honors those that follow Him and due His will.