

SAMUEL 1 – CHAPTER 4 (NOTES)

Q1. What happened to Eli's sons, Hophni and Phinehas?

Ans: Hophni and Phinehas, the two sons of Eli who were with the Ark, died in the battle against the Philistines.

Q2. Why did Israel bring the Ark of the Covenant into battle?

Ans: They brought it from Shiloh, hoping it would save them from the Philistines, as their faith was misplaced in the physical Ark rather than in God.

Q3. How many men did Israel lose in the first battle?

Ans: Israel lost about 4,000 men in the initial clash.

Q4. What happened when the Ark entered the Israelite camp?

Ans: The Israelites shouted, and the Philistines became afraid, recognizing it was the Ark of God, a deity that had shown power by striking the Egyptians in the wilderness.

Q5. How many men did Israel lose in the second battle?

Ans: The Israelites suffered a heavy loss of 30,000-foot soldiers.

Q6. What happened to Eli?

Ans: Eli died after hearing the news that his sons were dead and the Ark of God had been captured. He fell backward, breaking his neck.

Q7. What does the name Ichabod mean?

Ans: When Eli's daughter-in-law gave birth, she named the child "Ichabod," Ichabod means, "the Glory has departed from Israel," reflecting the loss of the Ark and the death of Eli's sons

