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The two Books of Samuel are classified as one book in the Jewish canon and should be considered as such. In the Latin Vulgate they are the first of four Books of Kings. Our title identifies the name of Samuel with these first two historical books. This is not because he is the writer, although we do believe that he is the writer of a good portion of it. It is because his story occurs first, and he figures prominently as the one who poured the anointing oil on both Saul and David. Samuel, then, is considered the writer of 1 Samuel up to the twenty-fifth chapter, which records his death. Apparen BookCaps Bible Commentaries are nondenominational study guides for people who are just getting into the Bible for the first time, or who just want to know a little more. Read More. Publisher: BookCaps. Released: Nov 28, 2011. The book of First Samuel tells of a momentous governmental change in the history of Israel. The last of the judges is also a great prophet, but the people have made a decision: They want a form of government similar to the nations around them. In response, a human king is appointed, and that same king is later rejected. Still, the way God's chosen people function is changed forever, and these few years of history are recorded for us to read, research, enjoy, and learn from. Author. So who is the writer of the first book of Samuel? As students study the book of 1 Samuel, they can increase their faith that they will also be blessed as they honor and obey the Lord. Who wrote this book? It is uncertain who the author was or when he wrote [the book of 1 Samuel]. It is unclear when and where the books of Samuel were written. Originally, 1 and 2 Samuel were one book in the Hebrew Bible. The division into two separate books probably occurred when this book of Samuel was translated into Greek, which necessitated putting the book on two scrolls instead of one (Richard Neitzel Holzapfel, Dana M. Pike, and David Rolph Seely, *Jehovah and the World of the Old Testament* [2009], 190). What are some distinctive features of this book?