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(3) And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth, *and be* with you, till I know what God will do for me.

(4) And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that David was in the hold.

(5) And the prophet Gad said unto David, Abide not in the hold; depart, and get thee into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.

(6) When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that *were* with him, (now Saul abode in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants *were* standing about him;)

(7) Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and vineyards, *and* make you all captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds;

(8) That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is* none that sheweth me that my son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is* none of you that is sorry for me, or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

(9) Then answered Doeg the Edomite, which was set over the servants of Saul, and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

(3) And David went from there to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said to the king of Moab, I ask you to let my father and my mother, come forth, *and be* with you, until I know what God will do for me.

(4) And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they lived with him all the while that David was in the stronghold.

(5) And the prophet Gad said to David, Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and get yourself into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.

(6) When Saul heard that David was found, and the men who *were* with him, (now Saul stayed in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants *were* standing about him;)

(7) Then Saul said to his servants who stood about him, Hear now, you Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give everyone of you fields and vineyards, *and* make you all captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds;

(8) That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is* no one who has revealed to me that my son has made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is* no one of you who is sorry for me, or revealed to me that my son has stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

(9) Then Doeg the Edomite who was set over the servants of Saul said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

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(10) And he enquired of the LORD for him, and gave him victuals, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.
(11) Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that *were* in Nob: and they came all of them to the king.
(12) And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I *am*, my lord.
(13) And Saul said unto him, Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?
(14) Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who *is* so faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?
(15) Did I then begin to enquire of God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute *any* thing unto his servant, *nor* to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew nothing of all this, less or more.
(16) And the king said, Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy father's house.
(17) And the king said unto the footmen that stood about him, Turn, and slay the priests of the LORD; because their hand also *is* with David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not shew it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of the LORD.

(10) And he inquired of the LORD {Jehovah} for him, and gave him food, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.
(11) Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests who *were* in Nob: and all of them came to the king.
(12) And Saul said, Hear now, you son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I *am*, my lord.
(13) And Saul said to him, Why have you conspired against me, you and the son of Jesse, in that you have given him bread, and a sword, and have inquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?
(14) Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who *is* so faithful among all your servants as David, who is the king's son-in-law, and goes at your bidding, and is honorable in your house?
(15) Did I then begin to inquire of God for him? Far be it from me: do not let the king impute *anything* to his servant, *nor* to all the house of my father: because your servant did not know anything of all this, less or more.
(16) And the king said, You shall surely die, Ahimelech, you, and all your father's house.
(17) And the king said to the footmen who stood about him, Turn, and kill the priests of the LORD {Jehovah}; because their hand also *is* with David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not reveal it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of the LORD {Jehovah}.

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(18) And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and slew on that day fourscore and five persons that did wear a linen ephod.

(19) And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

(20) And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.

(21) And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain the LORD'S priests.

(22) And David said unto Abiathar, I knew *it* that day, when Doeg the Edomite *was* there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned *the death* of all the persons of thy father's house.

(23) Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeketh my life seeketh thy life: but with me thou *shalt be* in safeguard.

Chapter 23

(1) Then they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines fight against Keilah, and they rob the threshingfloors.

(2) Therefore David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go and smite these Philistines? And the LORD said unto David, Go, and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah.

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(18) And the king said to Doeg, You turn and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and killed on that day eighty-five persons who wore a linen ephod {priestly robe}.

(19) And Nob, the city of the priests, he struck with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and nursing babies, and oxen, and donkeys, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

(20) And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.

(21) And Abiathar revealed to David that Saul had killed the LORD {Jehovah}'s priests.

(22) And David said to Abiathar, I knew *it* that day, when Doeg the Edomite *was* there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have caused *the death* of all the persons of your father's house.

(23) Stay with me, do not be afraid: because he who seeks my life seeks your life: but with me you *shall be* safeguarded.

Chapter 23

(1) Then they told David, saying, Look, the Philistines fight against Keilah, and they are robbing the threshing floors.

(2) Therefore David inquired of the LORD {Jehovah}, saying, Shall I go and strike these Philistines? And the LORD {Jehovah} said to David, **Go, and strike the Philistines, and save Keilah.**