



The Life of David

A Glimpse of The King



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Isaiah 6:3 - “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord”.

Psalms 136 - “His steadfast love endures forever”.

Genesis 2:17 - “You shall *surely die*”.

1 Samuel 3 - “Samuel, Samuel”.



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26 Then the Ziphites came to Saul at Gibeah, saying, “Is not David hiding himself on the hill of Hachilah, which is on the east of Jeshimon?” ² So Saul arose and went down to the wilderness of Ziph with three thousand chosen men of Israel to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph. ³ And Saul encamped on the hill of Hachilah, which is beside the road on the east of Jeshimon. But David remained in the wilderness. When he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness, ⁴ David sent out spies and learned that Saul had indeed come. ⁵ Then David rose and came to the place where Saul had encamped. And David saw the place where Saul lay, with Abner the son of Ner, the commander of his army. Saul was lying within the encampment, while the army was encamped around him.



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⁶ Then David said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Joab's brother Abishai the son of Zeruiah, "Who will go down with me into the camp to Saul?" And Abishai said, "I will go down with you." ⁷ So David and Abishai went to the army by night. And there lay Saul sleeping within the encampment, with his spear stuck in the ground at his head, and Abner and the army lay around him. ⁸ Then Abishai said to David, "God has given your enemy into your hand this day. Now please let me pin him to the earth with one stroke of the spear, and I will not strike him twice."



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⁹ But David said to Abishai, “Do not destroy him, for who can put out his hand against the LORD's anointed and be guiltless?” ¹⁰ And David said, “As the LORD lives, the LORD will strike him, or his day will come to die, or he will go down into battle and perish. ¹¹ The LORD forbid that I should put out my hand against the LORD's anointed. But take now the spear that is at his head and the jar of water, and let us go.” ¹² So David took the spear and the jar of water from Saul's head, and they went away. No man saw it or knew it, nor did any awake, for they were all asleep, because a deep sleep from the LORD had fallen upon them.



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² So Saul arose and went down to the wilderness of Ziph with three thousand chosen men of Israel to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph.

1 Samuel 26:2

² Saul chose three thousand men of Israel. Two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and the hill country of Bethel, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin.

1 Samuel 13:2



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1 Samuel 26:5

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1 Samuel 26:7



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- 1 Samuel 18:10 - "Saul had his spear in his hand".
- 1 Samuel 18:11 - "Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, I will pin David to wall".
- 1 Samuel 19:9 - "Then a harmful spirit from the LORD came upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his spear in his hand".
- 1 Samuel 19:10 - "And Saul sought to pin David to the wall with the spear..."
- 1 Samuel 20:33 - "But Saul hurled his spear at him [David] to strike him".
- 1 Samuel 22:6 - "Saul was sitting at Gibeah under the tamarisk tree on the height with his spear in his hand..."



What is in your hands?



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O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;

my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there
is no water.

² So I have looked upon you in the
sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.

³ Because your steadfast love is better
than life,
my lips will praise you.

⁴ So I will bless you as long as I live;
in your name I will lift up my hands.

⁵ My soul will be satisfied as with fat
and rich food,
and my mouth will praise you with
joyful lips,

⁶ when I remember you upon my bed,
and meditate on you in the
watches of the night;

⁷ for you have been my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I
will sing for joy.

⁸ My soul clings to you;
your right hand upholds me.

Psalms 63:1-8



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Saul grasps.

David waits.

Jesus gives.

⁶ who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped

Philippians 2:6



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¹⁰ She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and wept bitterly. ¹¹ And she vowed a vow and said,

“O LORD of hosts,

1 Samuel 1:10 - 11



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