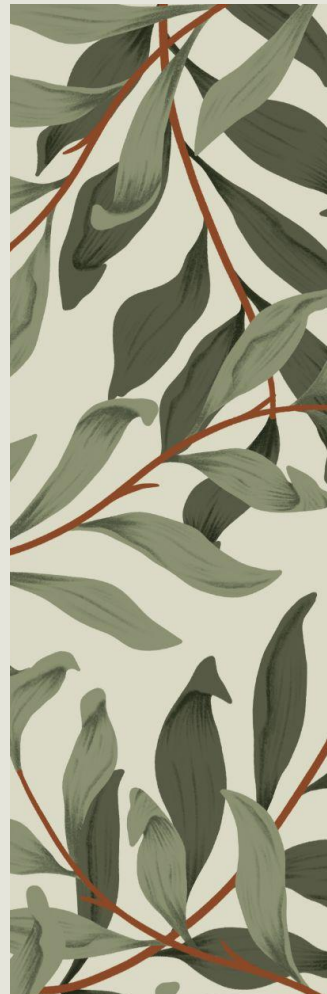


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01

Jonathan

A Faithful Friend



1 Samuel 20:1-23

1 Then David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said to Jonathan, "What have I done? What is my iniquity? And what is my sin before your father, that he is seeking my life?" **2** He said to him, "Far from it, you shall not die. Behold, my father does nothing either great or small without disclosing it to me. So why should my father hide this thing from me? It is not so!" **3** Yet David vowed again, saying, "Your father knows well that I have found favor in your sight, and he has said, 'Do not let Jonathan know this, or he will be grieved.' But truly as the Lord lives and as your soul lives, there is hardly a step between me and death." **4** Then Jonathan said to David, "Whatever you say, I will do for you." **5** So David said to Jonathan, "Behold, tomorrow is the new moon, and I ought to sit down to eat with the king. But let me go, that I may hide myself in the field until the third evening."

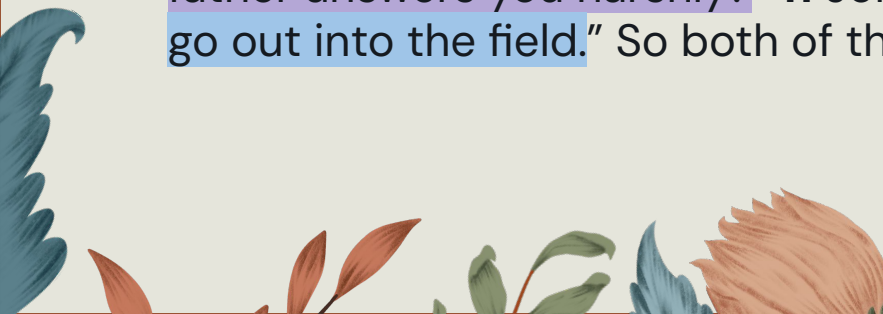
1 Samuel 20:1-5 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:1–23

6 If your father misses me at all, then say, 'David earnestly asked leave of me to run to Bethlehem his city, because it is the yearly sacrifice there for the whole family.' **7** If he says, 'It is good,' your servant will be safe; but if he is very angry, know that he has decided on evil. **8** Therefore deal kindly with your servant, for you have brought your servant into a covenant of the Lord with you. But if there is iniquity in me, put me to death yourself; for why then should you bring me to your father?" **9** Jonathan said, "Far be it from you! For if I should indeed learn that evil has been decided by my father to come upon you, then would I not tell you about it?" **10** Then David said to Jonathan, "Who will tell me if your father answers you harshly?" **11** Jonathan said to David, "Come, and let us go out into the field." So both of them went out to the field.

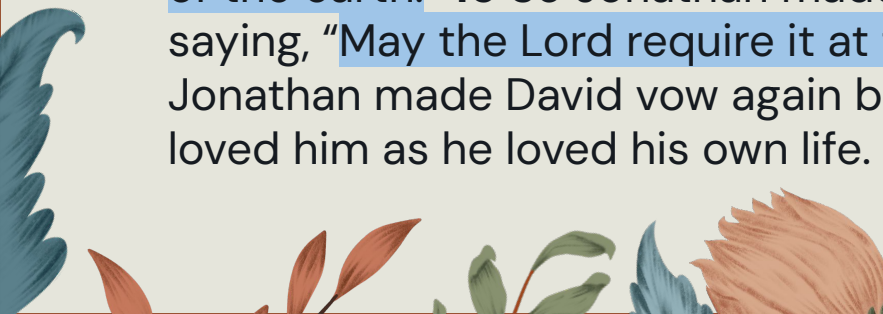
1 Samuel 20:6–11 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:1-23

12 Then Jonathan said to David, "The Lord, the God of Israel, be witness! When I have sounded out my father about this time tomorrow, or the third day, behold, if there is good feeling toward David, shall I not then send to you and make it known to you? **13** If it please my father to do you harm, may the Lord do so to Jonathan and more also, if I do not make it known to you and send you away, that you may go in safety. And may the Lord be with you as He has been with my father. **14** If I am still alive, will you not show me the lovingkindness of the Lord, that I may not die? **15** You shall not cut off your lovingkindness from my house forever, not even when the Lord cuts off every one of the enemies of David from the face of the earth." **16** So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, saying, "May the Lord require it at the hands of David's enemies." **17** Jonathan made David vow again because of his love for him, because he loved him as he loved his own life.

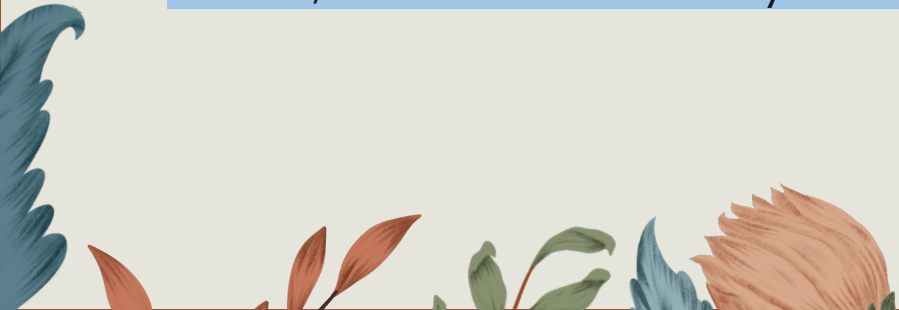
1 Samuel 20:12-17 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:1–23

18 Then Jonathan said to him, "Tomorrow is the new moon, and you will be missed because your seat will be empty. **19** When you have stayed for three days, you shall go down quickly and come to the place where you hid yourself on that eventful day, and you shall remain by the stone Ezel. **20** I will shoot three arrows to the side, as though I shot at a target. **21** And behold, I will send the lad, saying, 'Go, find the arrows.' If I specifically say to the lad, 'Behold, the arrows are on this side of you, get them,' then come; for there is safety for you and no harm, as the Lord lives. **22** But if I say to the youth, 'Behold, the arrows are beyond you,' go, for the Lord has sent you away. **23** As for the agreement of which you and I have spoken, behold, the Lord is between you and me forever."

1 Samuel 20:18–23 (NASB)





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Saul

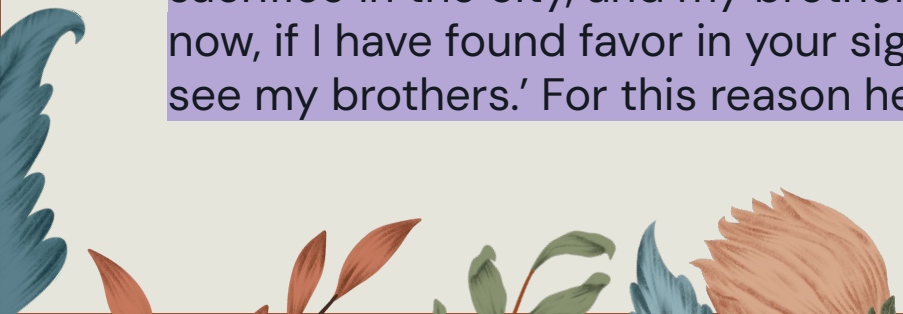
A Spiteful King



1 Samuel 20:24-42

24 So David hid in the field; and when the new moon came, the king sat down to eat food. **25** The king sat on his seat as usual, the seat by the wall; then Jonathan rose up and Abner sat down by Saul's side, but David's place was empty. **26** Nevertheless Saul did not speak anything that day, for he thought, "It is an accident, he is not clean, surely he is not clean." **27** It came about the next day, the second day of the new moon, that David's place was empty; so Saul said to Jonathan his son, "Why has the son of Jesse not come to the meal, either yesterday or today?" **28** Jonathan then answered Saul, "David earnestly asked leave of me to go to Bethlehem, **29** for he said, 'Please let me go, since our family has a sacrifice in the city, and my brother has commanded me to attend. And now, if I have found favor in your sight, please let me get away that I may see my brothers.' For this reason he has not come to the king's table

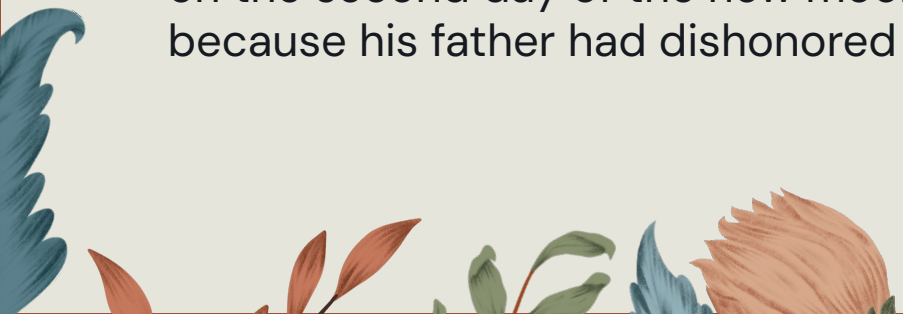
1 Samuel 20:24-29 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:24-42

30 Then Saul's anger burned against Jonathan and he said to him, "You son of a perverse, rebellious woman! Do I not know that you are choosing the son of Jesse to your own shame and to the shame of your mother's nakedness?" **31** For as long as the son of Jesse lives on the earth, neither you nor your kingdom will be established. Therefore now, send and bring him to me, for he must surely die." **32** But Jonathan answered Saul his father and said to him, "Why should he be put to death? What has he done?" **33** Then Saul hurled his spear at him to strike him down; so Jonathan knew that his father had decided to put David to death. **34** Then Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did not eat food on the second day of the new moon, for he was grieved over David because his father had dishonored him.

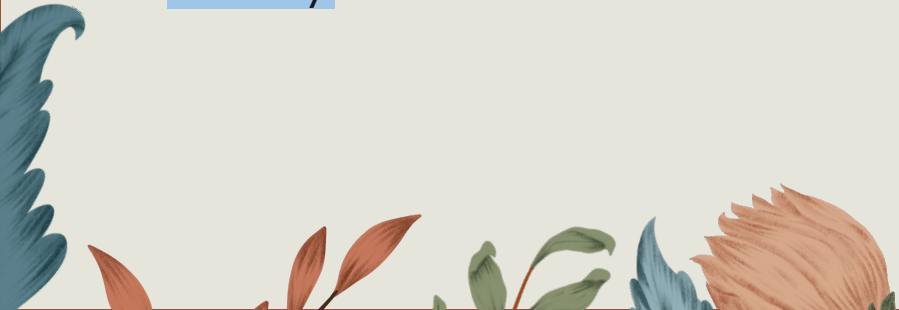
1 Samuel 20:30-34 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:24-42

35 Now it came about in the morning that Jonathan went out into the field for the appointment with David, and a little lad was with him. **36** He said to his lad, "Run, find now the arrows which I am about to shoot." As the lad was running, he shot an arrow past him. **37** When the lad reached the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot, Jonathan called after the lad and said, "Is not the arrow beyond you?" **38** And Jonathan called after the lad, "Hurry, be quick, do not stay!" And Jonathan's lad picked up the arrow and came to his master. **39** But the lad was not aware of anything; only Jonathan and David knew about the matter. **40** Then Jonathan gave his weapons to his lad and said to him, "Go, bring them to the city."

1 Samuel 20:35-40 (NASB)



1 Samuel 20:24-42

41 When the lad was gone, David rose from the south side and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed three times. And they kissed each other and wept together, but David wept the more. **42** Jonathan said to David, "Go in safety, inasmuch as we have sworn to each other in the name of the Lord, saying, 'The Lord will be between me and you, and between my descendants and your descendants forever.'" Then he rose and departed, while Jonathan went into the city.

1 Samuel 20:41-42 (NASB)





03

David

A Hopeful Exile



1 Samuel 21:1–22:5

1 Then David came to Nob to Ahimelech the priest; and Ahimelech came trembling to meet David and said to him, "Why are you alone and no one with you?" **2** David said to Ahimelech the priest, "The king has commissioned me with a matter and has said to me, 'Let no one know anything about the matter on which I am sending you and with which I have commissioned you; and I have directed the young men to a certain place.' **3** Now therefore, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever can be found." **4** The priest answered David and said, "There is no ordinary bread on hand, but there is consecrated bread; if only the young men have kept themselves from women."

1 Samuel 21:1–4 (NASB)



1 Samuel 21:1–22:5

5 David answered the priest and said to him, “Surely women have been kept from us as previously when I set out and the vessels of the young men were holy, though it was an ordinary journey; how much more then today will their vessels be holy?” **6** So the priest gave him consecrated bread; for there was no bread there but the bread of the Presence which was removed from before the Lord, in order to put hot bread in its place when it was taken away.

7 Now one of the servants of Saul was there that day, detained before the Lord; and his name was **Doeg the Edomite**, the chief of Saul’s shepherds.

1 Samuel 21:5–7 (NASB)



1 Samuel 21:1–22:5

8 David said to Ahimelech, "Now is there not a spear or a sword on hand? For I brought neither my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's matter was urgent." **9** Then the priest said, "The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you killed in the valley of Elah, behold, it is wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod; if you would take it for yourself, take it. For there is no other except it here." And David said, "There is none like it; give it to me."

1 Samuel 21:8–9 (NASB)



1 Samuel 21:1–22:5

10 Then David arose and fled that day from Saul, and went to Achish king of Gath. **11** But the servants of Achish said to him, “Is this not David the king of the land? Did they not sing of this one as they danced, saying,

‘Saul has slain his thousands,
And David his ten thousands’?”

12 David took these words to heart and greatly feared Achish king of Gath. **13** So he disguised his sanity before them, and acted insanely in their hands, and scribbled on the doors of the gate, and let his saliva run down into his beard. **14** Then Achish said to his servants, “Behold, you see the man behaving as a madman. Why do you bring him to me? **15** Do I lack madmen, that you have brought this one to act the madman in my presence? Shall this one come into my house?”

1 Samuel 21:12–15 (NASB)





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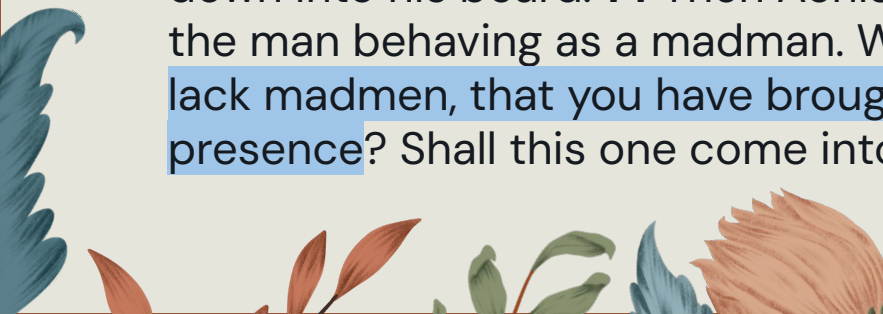
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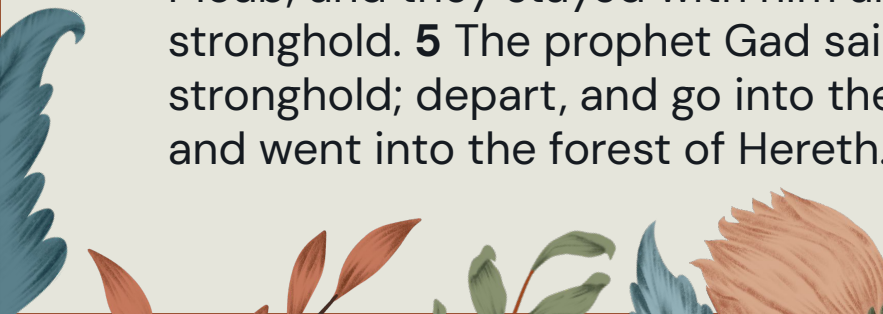


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3 And David went from there to Mizpah of Moab; and he said to the king of Moab, "Please let my father and my mother come and stay with you until I know what God will do for me." **4** Then he left them with the king of Moab; and they stayed with him all the time that David was in the stronghold. **5** The prophet Gad said to David, "Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and go into the land of Judah." So David departed and went into the forest of Hereth.

1 Samuel 22:1–5 (NASB)



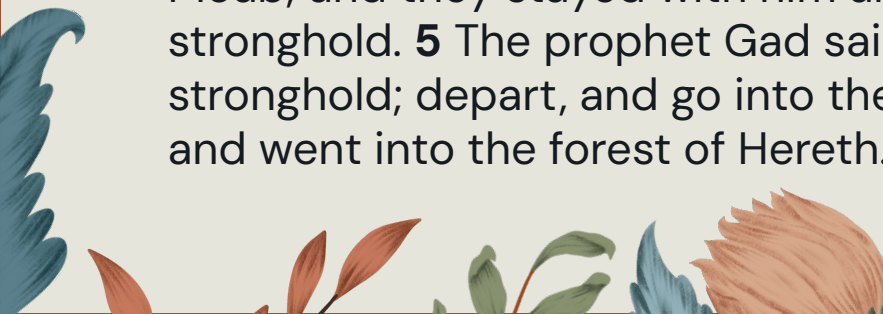


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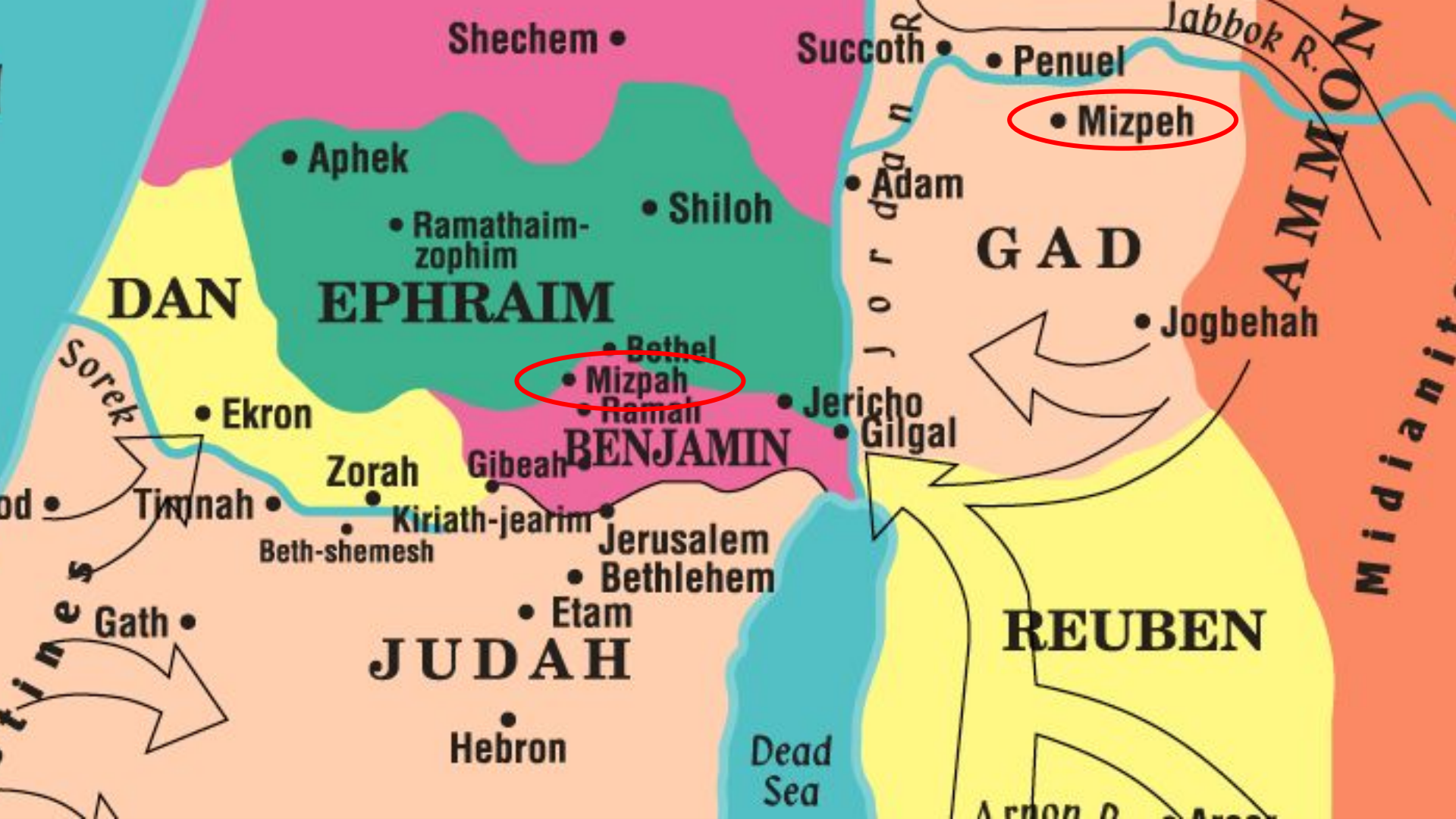
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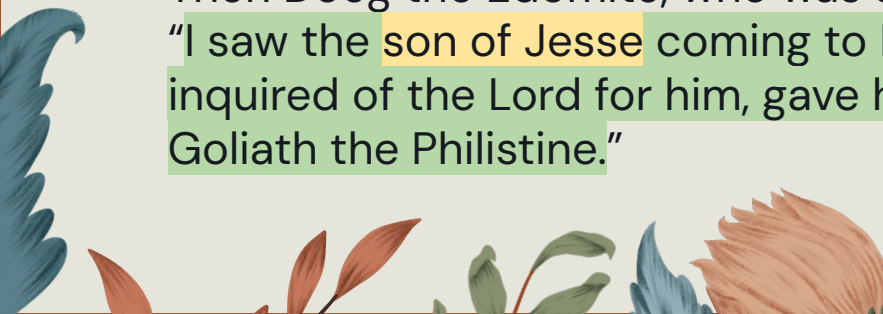
A Deceitful Servant



1 Samuel 22:6–23

6 Then Saul heard that David and the men who were with him had been discovered. Now Saul was sitting in Gibeah, under the tamarisk tree on the height with his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing around him. **7** Saul said to his servants who stood around him, "Hear now, O Benjamites! Will the son of Jesse also give to all of you fields and vineyards? Will he make you all commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds? **8** For all of you have conspired against me so that there is no one who discloses to me when my son makes a covenant with the son of Jesse, and there is none of you who is sorry for me or discloses to me that my son has stirred up my servant against me to lie in ambush, as it is this day." **9** Then Doeg the Edomite, who was standing by the servants of Saul, said, "I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub. **10** He inquired of the Lord for him, gave him provisions, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine."

1 Samuel 22:6–10 (NASB)



1 Samuel 22:6–23

11 Then the king sent someone to summon Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's household, the priests who were in Nob; and all of them came to the king. **12** Saul said, "Listen now, son of Ahitub." And he answered, "Here I am, my lord." **13** Saul then said to him, "Why have you and the son of Jesse conspired against me, in that you have given him bread and a sword and have inquired of God for him, so that he would rise up against me by lying in ambush as it is this day?"

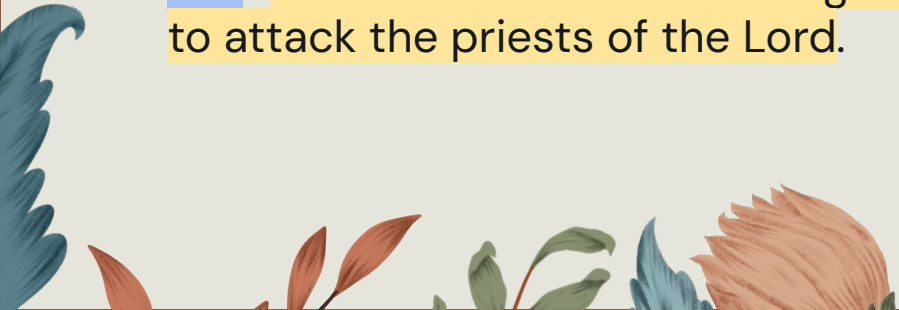
1 Samuel 22:11–13 (NASB)



1 Samuel 22:6–23

14 Then Ahimelech answered the king and said, “And who among all your servants is as faithful as **David**, even the king’s son-in-law, who is captain over your guard, and is honored in your house? **15** Did I just begin to inquire of God for him today? Far be it from me! Do not let the king impute anything to his servant or to any of the household of my father, for your servant knows nothing at all of this whole affair.” **16** But the king said, “You shall surely die, Ahimelech, you and all your father’s household!” **17** And the king said to the guards who were attending him, “Turn around and put the priests of the Lord to death, because their hand also is with David and because they knew that he was fleeing and did not reveal it to me.” But the servants of the king were not willing to put forth their hands to attack the priests of the Lord.

1 Samuel 22:14–17 (NASB)

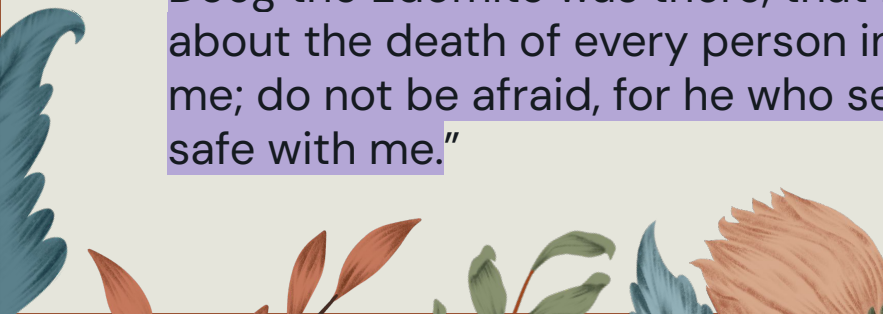


1 Samuel 22:6–23

18 Then the king said to Doeg, “You turn around and attack the priests.” And Doeg the Edomite turned around and attacked the priests, and he killed that day eighty-five men who wore the linen ephod. **19** And he struck Nob the city of the priests with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and infants; also oxen, donkeys, and sheep he struck with the edge of the sword.

20 But one son of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped and fled after David. **21** Abiathar told David that Saul had killed the priests of the Lord. **22** Then David said to Abiathar, “I knew on that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul. I have brought about the death of every person in your father’s household. **23** Stay with me; do not be afraid, for he who seeks my life seeks your life, for you are safe with me.”

1 Samuel 22:18–23 (NASB)



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Ithamar

Phinehas

Eli

Hophni

Phinehas

Ahitub

Ichabod

Ahitub

Ahijah

Ahimelech

Zadok

Abiathar

1 Samuel 2:12-36

31 Behold, the days are coming when I will cut off your strength and the strength of your father's house, so that there will not be an old man in your house. **32** Then in distress you will look with envious eye on all the prosperity that shall be bestowed on Israel, and there shall not be an old man in your house forever. **33** The only one of you whom I shall not cut off from my altar shall be spared to weep his eyes out to grieve his heart, and all the descendants of your house shall die by the sword of men. **34** And this that shall come upon your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, shall be the sign to you: both of them shall die on the same day. **35** And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. **36** And everyone who is left in your house shall come to implore him for a piece of silver or a loaf of bread and shall say, "Please put me in one of the priests' places, that I may eat a morsel of bread."""

1 Samuel 2:31-36 (ESV)

