

1 Sam 27-30

David

"David's  
Best Thinking?"

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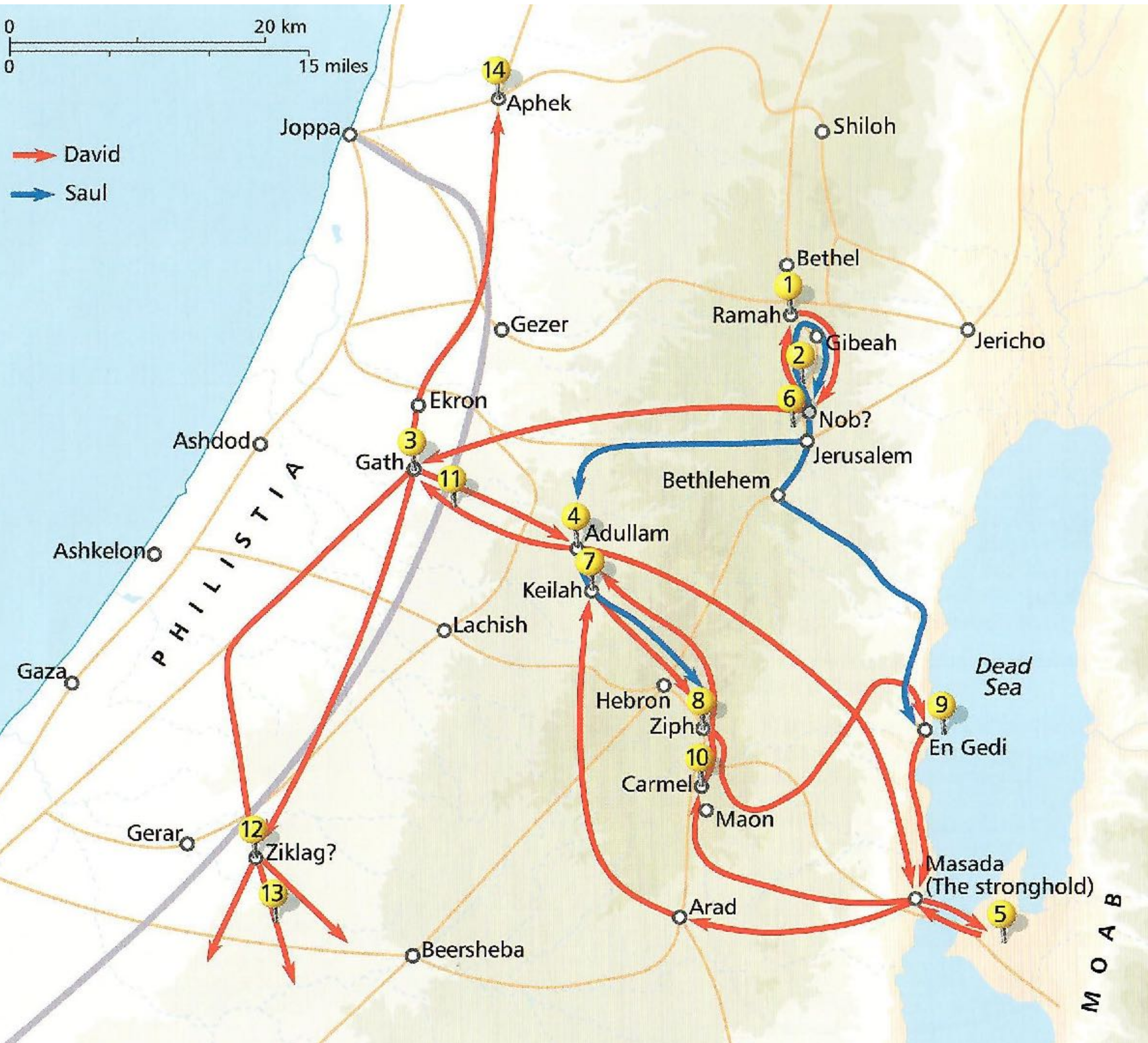


- 1. Please “prepare before you share”**
- 2. Limit your comments to about 3 minutes**
- 3. No “cross talk”—we are all learning**
- 4. No politics (or football)**
- 5. Study “Tips”**
  - a. Focus on Characters**

***Compare—Contrast—Change***
  - b. Look for “Purpose” Statements**

***“So that..., In order to..., that..., to...”***
  - c. Try to name each chapter (Main Idea)**





## SAUL'S PURSUIT OF DAVID

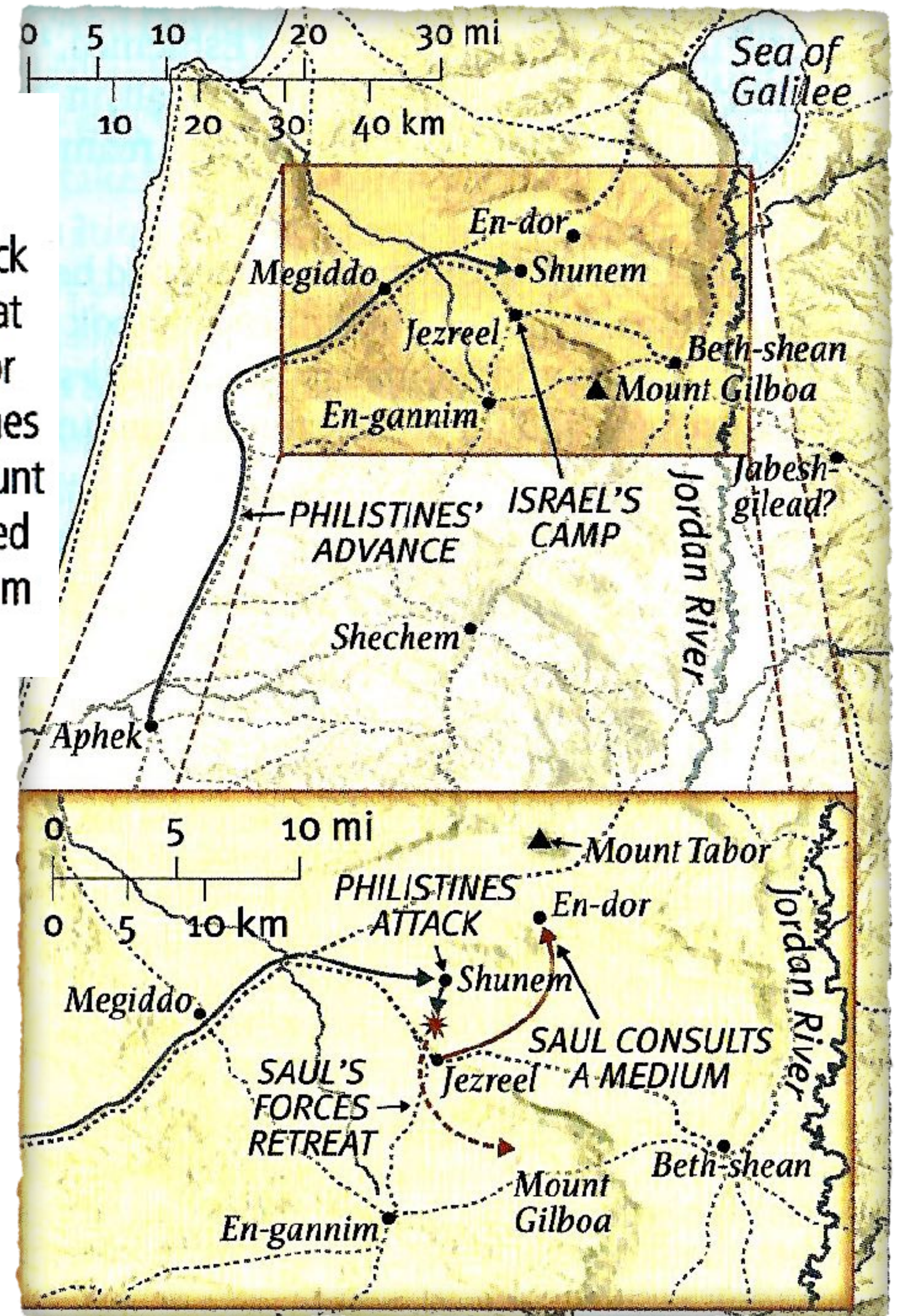
1. David flees to Ramah (1 Samuel 19:18–24).
2. David goes to Nob and takes Goliath's sword (1 Samuel 21:1–10).
3. David flees to Gath, where he pretends to be mad in order to escape execution by the Philistines (1 Samuel 21:11–16).
4. David goes to the cave of Adullam and gathers 400 men with a grievance against Saul (1 Samuel 22:1–2).
5. David goes to Mizpah in Moab, where he leaves his father and mother; then to the forest of Hereth in Judah (1 Samuel 22:3–5).
6. Saul, chasing David, massacres the priests of Nob (1 Samuel 22:6–23).
7. David defeats a Philistine raiding party at Keilah (1 Samuel 23:1–6). Saul pursues him.
8. David leaves for the desert of Ziph (1 Samuel 23:7–14). David meets Jonathan at Horesh (1 Samuel 23:15–18). Saul chases David to the desert, but breaks off the hunt when he hears of a Philistine incursion (1 Samuel 23:19–28).
9. David moves to the desert of En Gedi. Again, he is pursued by Saul. David spares Saul's life (1 Samuel 24:1–23). Saul returns home.
10. David goes to Carmel and meets Abigail and Nabal (1 Samuel 25).
11. David goes to Gath, in Philistine territory. Saul finally gives up the search (1 Samuel 27:1–4).
12. David is given the city of Ziklag. He stays with the Philistines for sixteen months (1 Samuel 27:5–7).
13. David attacks the Geshurites, Girzites and Amalekites – pretending to have attacked the Israelites (1 Samuel 27:8–12).
14. David goes with the Philistines to attack Israel at Aphek. He is sent home before the battle (1 Samuel 29).



## The Battle at Mount Gilboa

c. 1010 B.C.

Philistine forces advanced to Shunem from Aphek and prepared to attack the Israelites near their camp in Jezreel. Saul, fearing the great army that faced him, slipped away during the night to consult a medium at En-dor in order to seek the counsel of the deceased Samuel. When the Philistines attacked the next morning, the Israelites retreated up the slopes of Mount Gilboa. Saul and three of his sons were killed, and the Philistines mocked Israel by hanging their bodies on the wall of Beth-shean. Later, men from Jabesh-gilead traveled through the night and recovered the bodies.





### Chapter 27 David Manages His Own Life

or “The Hebrew Shuffle” and “What’s a Nice Guy Like You Doing Here?”

27:1-4 Running to Gath

27:5-7 Achish Gives David a Philistine City

27:8-12 David Deceives Achish

### Chapter 28 Saul Needs To Find God

or, “Looking for love in all the wrong places” *and* “‘Witch’ Door Do I Choose?”

28:1-7 God is never silent

28:8-14 A familiar voice from the past

28:15-19 Grave words

28:20-25 The condemned man’s last meal

### Chapter 29 When a Plan Is Almost a Trap

or “Stuck in the middle with you” *and* “It’s not you—it’s ME”

29:1-5 What is HE doing here?

29:6-11 I am so sorry, but you have to leave!

### Chapter 30 David Needs To Find God

or “Who made this big mess?”

30:1-6 Ziklag is plundered

30:7-20 David finally turns to Abiathar

30:21-31 David turns back to the land and his people

### The Purpose/Result Clauses

1Sa 27:5 Then David said to Achish, “If I have found favor in your eyes, let a place be given me in one of the country towns, *that* I may dwell there. For why should your servant dwell in the royal city with you?”

1Sa 28:1 In those days the Philistines gathered their forces for war, *to* fight against Israel.

1Sa 28:7 Then Saul said to his servants, “Seek out for me a woman who is a medium, *that* I may go to her and inquire of her.”

1Sa 28:22 Now therefore, you also obey your servant. Let me set a morsel of bread before you; and eat, *that* you may have strength when you go on your way.”

1Sa 29:4 But the commanders of the Philistines were angry with him. And the commanders of the Philistines said to him, “Send the man back, *that* he may return to the place to which you have assigned him. He shall not go down with us to battle, *lest [so that he does not]* in the battle he become an adversary [*Hb. “a satan”*] to us.

1Sa 29:7 So go back now; and go peaceably, *that* you may not displease the lords of the Philistines.”

1Sa 29:8 And David said to Achish, “But what have I done? What have you found in your servant from the day I entered your service until now, *that* I may not go and fight against the enemies of my lord the king?” ***Notice how distorted David’s purpose has become, a purpose that is a result of “his best thinking.” God’s people have become David’s enemies! This is real apostasy, from which God delivers him through the commanders of the Philistines (29:4) Beware of your own heart!***



1 Sam 31—2 Sam 4

David

"David  
Becomes King"

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