



The Life of
David

1 and 2 Samuel

1 Samuel 1:1-2

¹ There was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim of the hill country of Ephraim whose name was Elkanah the son of Jeroham, son of Elihu, son of Tohu, son of Zuph, an Ephrathite. ² He had two wives. The name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other, Peninnah. And Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

Suggested Timeline

1024 BC	Samuel Anoints David at Bethlehem	<u>1 Samuel 16</u>
1024 BC	David Kills Goliath	<u>1 Samuel 17</u>
1015 BC	Jonathan's Friendship with David	<u>1 Samuel 18</u>
1014 BC	David Protected from Saul	<u>1 Samuel 19</u>
1013 BC	David and Jonathan's Covenant	<u>1 Samuel 20</u>
1012 BC	David at Nob and Gath	<u>1 Samuel 21</u>
1011 BC	Saul Slays the Priests of Nob	<u>1 Samuel 22</u>
1011 BC	David Flees Saul	<u>1 Samuel 23</u>
1011 BC	David Spares Saul's Life	<u>1 Samuel 24</u>
1011 BC	Samuel Dies	<u>1 Samuel 25</u>
1011 BC	David Spares Saul a Second Time	<u>1 Samuel 26</u>
1010 BC	David Flees to the Philistines	<u>1 Samuel 27</u>
1010 BC	Saul and the Witch of Endor	<u>1 Samuel 28</u>
1010 BC	Achish Sends David Away	<u>1 Samuel 29</u>
1010 BC	David Destroys the Amalekites	<u>1 Samuel 30</u>
1010 BC	Saul and His Sons Killed	<u>1 Samuel 31</u>

¹⁸ Because you did not obey the voice of the Lord and did not carry out his fierce wrath against Amalek, therefore the Lord has done this thing to you this day. ¹⁹ Moreover, the Lord will give Israel also with you into the hand of the Philistines, and tomorrow you and your sons shall be with me.

-1 Samuel 28:18-19

1 Samuel 31

¹ Now the Philistines were fighting against Israel, and the men of Israel fled before the Philistines and fell slain on Mount Gilboa. ² And the Philistines overtook Saul and his sons, and the Philistines struck down Jonathan and Abinadab and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul. ³ The battle pressed hard against Saul, and the archers found him, and he was badly wounded by the archers. ⁴ Then Saul said to his armor-bearer, "Draw your sword, and thrust me through with it, lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and mistreat me." But his armor-bearer would not, for he feared greatly. Therefore Saul took his own sword and fell upon it. ⁵ And when his armor-bearer saw that Saul was dead, he also fell upon his sword and died with him. ⁶ Thus Saul died, and his three sons, and his armor-bearer, and all his men, on the same day together.

1 Samuel 31

⁷ And when the men of Israel who were on the other side of the valley and those beyond the Jordan saw that the men of Israel had fled and that Saul and his sons were dead, they abandoned their cities and fled. And the Philistines came and lived in them. ⁸ The next day, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, they found Saul and his three sons fallen on Mount Gilboa. ⁹ So they cut off his head and stripped off his armor and sent messengers throughout the land of the Philistines, to carry the good news to the house of their idols and to the people. ¹⁰ They put his armor in the temple of Ashtaroath, and they fastened his body to the wall of Beth-shan.

1 Samuel 31

¹¹ But when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard what the Philistines had done to Saul, ¹² all the valiant men arose and went all night and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of Bethshan, and they came to Jabesh and burned them there. ¹³ And they took their bones and buried them under the tamarisk tree in Jabesh and fasted seven days.

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1 Samuel 31 = 1 Chronicles 10

¹³ So Saul died for his breach of faith. He broke faith with the Lord in that he did not keep the command of the Lord, and also consulted a medium, seeking guidance. ¹⁴ He did not seek guidance from the Lord. Therefore the Lord put him to death and turned the kingdom over to David the son of Jesse.

-1 Chronicles 10:13-14

Psalm 112

¹ Praise the Lord!

**Blessed is the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commandments!**

**² His offspring will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

**³ Wealth and riches are in his house,
and his righteousness endures forever.**

**⁴ Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

**⁵ It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.**

Psalm 112

- 6 For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.**
- 7 He is not afraid of bad news;
his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord.**
- 8 His heart is steady; he will not be afraid,
until he looks in triumph on his adversaries.**
- 9 He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever;
his horn is exalted in honor.**
- 10 The wicked man sees it and is angry;
he gnashes his teeth and melts away;
the desire of the wicked will perish!**

On recess until Wednesday, January 7.

That will be a special day of Christmas reflection and a deeper dive into Epiphany.

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