

Webster's (Modified), Darby's Translation (Modified) and Young's (Modified) for Analytical Study

- 1** Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David had returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;
And it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David had returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, that David abode two days in Ziklag;
And it cometh to pass, after the death of Saul, that David hath returned from smiting the Amalekite, and David dwelleth in Ziklag two days,
- 2** It came even to pass on the third day, that behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and so it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.
And it came to pass on the third day, that behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul with his garments rent, and earth upon his head; and soon as he came to David, he fell to the earth and did obeisance.
and it cometh to pass, on the third day, that lo, a man hath come in out of the camp from Saul, and his garments [are] rent, and earth on his head; and it cometh to pass, in his coming in unto David, that he falleth to the earth, and doth obeisance.
- 3** And David said to him, From whence comest thou? And he said to him, Out of the camp of Israel have I escaped.
And David said to him, Whence comest thou? And he said to him, Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped.
And David saith to him, `Whence comest thou?` and he saith unto him, `Out of the camp of Israel I have escaped.`
- 4** And David said to him, How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he answered, That the people have fled from the battle, and many of the people also have fallen, and are dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.
And David said to him, What has taken place? I pray thee, tell me. And he said that the people had fled from the battle, and many of the people also had fallen and died, and that Saul and Jonathan his son were dead also.
And David saith unto him, `What hath been the matter? declare, I pray thee, to me.` And he saith, that `The people hath fled from the battle, and also a multitude hath fallen of the people, and they die; and also Saul and Jonathan his son have died.`
- 5** And David said to the young man that told him, How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son are dead?
And David said to the young man that told him, How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son are dead?
And David saith unto the youth who is declaring [it] to him, `How hast thou known that Saul and Jonathan his son [are] dead?`
- 6** And the young man that told him said, As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa, behold, Saul leaned upon his spear; and lo, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him.
And the young man that told him said, I happened by chance to be upon mount Gilboa, and behold, Saul leaned on his spear; and behold, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him.
And the youth who is declaring [it] to him saith, I happened to meet in mount Gilboa, and lo, Saul is leaning on his spear; and lo, the chariots and those possessing horses have followed him;
- 7** And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called to me. And I answered, Here am I.
And he looked behind him, and saw me, and called to me. And I said, Here am I.
and he turneth behind him, and seeth me, and calleth unto me, and I say, Here [am] I.

- 8 And he said to me, Who art thou? And I answered him, I am an Amalekite.
And he said to me, Who art thou? And I said to him, I am an Amalekite.
And he saith to me, Who [art] thou? and I say unto him, An Amalekite I [am].`
- 9 He said to me again, Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me: for anguish is come upon me, because my life is yet whole in me.
He said to me again, Stand, I pray thee, over me, and slay me; for anguish has seized me; for my life is yet whole in me.
`And he saith unto me, Stand, I pray thee, over me, and put me to death, for seized me hath the arrow, for all my soul [is] still in me.
- 10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he had fallen: and I took the crown that was upon his head and the bracelet that was on his arm, and have brought them hither to my lord.
So I stood over him, and put him to death, for I knew that he would not live after his fall; and I took the crown that was upon his head, and the bracelet that was on his arm, and have brought them hither to my lord.
And I stand over him, and put him to death, for I knew that he doth not live after his falling, and I take the crown which [is] on his head, and the bracelet which [is] on his arm, and bring them in unto my lord hither.`
- 11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that were with him:
Then David took hold of his garments and rent them; and all the men that were with him [did] likewise.
And David taketh hold on his garments, and rendeth them, and also all the men who [are] with him,
- 12 And they mourned and wept, and fasted until evening, for Saul and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of Yahweh, and for the house of Israel; because they had fallen by the sword.
And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of Yahweh, and for the house of Israel because they were fallen by the sword.
and they mourn, and weep, and fast till the evening, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of Yahweh, and for the house of Israel because they have fallen by the sword.
- 13 And David said to the young man that told him, Whence art thou? And he answered, I am the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.
And David said to the young man that told him, Whence art thou? And he said, I am the son of an Amalekite stranger.
And David saith unto the youth who is declaring [it] to him, `Whence [art] thou?` and he saith, `Son of a sojourner, an Amalekite, I [am].`
- 14 And David said to him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thy hand to destroy Yahweh'S anointed?
And David said to him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thy hand to destroy Yahweh`s anointed?
And David saith unto him, `How wast thou not afraid to put forth thy hand to destroy the anointed of Yahweh?`
- 15 And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, and fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.
Then David called one of the young men and said, Draw near, [and] fall on him. And he smote him that he died.
And David calleth to one of the youths, and saith, `Draw nigh -- fall upon him;` and he smiteth him, and he dieth;

- 16** And David said to him, Thy blood be upon thy head; for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I have slain Yahweh'S anointed.
And David said to him, Thy blood be upon thy head; for thy mouth has testified against thee, saying, I have slain Yahweh`s anointed.
and David saith unto him, `Thy blood [is] on thine own head, for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I -- I put to death the anointed of Yahweh.`
- 17** And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul, and over Jonathan his son:
And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son;
And David lamenteth with this lamentation over Saul, and over Jonathan his son;
- 18** (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)
and he bade them teach the children of Judah [the song of] the bow. Behold, it is written in the book of Jasher: --
and he saith to teach the sons of Judah `The Bow;` lo, it is written on the book of the Upright: --
- 19** The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!
The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!
`The Roebuck, O Israel, On thy high places [is] wounded; How have the mighty fallen!
- 20** Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.
Tell [it] not in Gath, carry not the tidings in the streets of Ashkelon; Lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, Lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.
Declare [it] not in Gath, Proclaim not the tidings in the streets of Ashkelon, Lest they rejoice -- The daughters of the Philistines, Lest they exult --
The daughters of the Uncircumcised!
- 21** Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither rain upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.
Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, no rain upon you, nor fields of heave-offerings! For there the shield of the mighty was vilely cast away, The shield of Saul, [as] not anointed with oil.
Mountains of Gilboa! No dew nor rain be on you, And fields of heave-offerings! For there hath become loathsome The shield of the mighty, The shield of Saul -- without the anointed with oil.
- 22** From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.
From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, The bow of Jonathan turned not back, And the sword of Saul returned not empty.
From the blood of the wounded, From the fat of the mighty, The bow of Jonathan Hath not turned backward; And the sword of Saul doth not return empty.

- 23** Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.
 Saul and Jonathan, beloved and pleasant in their lives, Even in their death were not divided; They were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.
 Saul and Jonathan! They are loved and pleasant in their lives, And in their death they have not been parted. Than eagles they have been lighter, Than lions they have been mightier!
- 24** Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights, who put ornaments of gold upon your apparel.
 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet with splendour, Who put ornaments of gold upon your apparel.
 Daughters of Israel! for Saul weep ye, Who is clothing you [in] scarlet with delights. Who is lifting up ornaments of gold on your clothing.
- 25** How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan thou wast slain in thy high places.
 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan is slain upon thy high places.
 How have the mighty fallen In the midst of the battle! Jonathan! on thy high places wounded!
- 26** I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been to me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.
 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant wast thou unto me; Thy love to me was wonderful, passing women`s love.
 I am in distress for thee, my brother Jonathan, Very pleasant wast thou to me; Wonderful was thy love to me, Above the love of women!
- 27** How have the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!
 How are the mighty fallen, and the instruments of war perished!
 How have the mighty fallen, Yea, the weapons of war perish!
- 1** And it came to pass after this, that David inquired of Yahweh, saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And Yahweh said to him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he said, To Hebron.
 And it came to pass after this that David inquired of Yahweh, saying, Shall I go up into one of the cities of Judah? And Yahweh said to him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he said, Unto Hebron.
 And it cometh to pass afterwards, that David asketh at Yahweh, saying, `Do I go up into one of the cities of Judah?` and Yahweh saith unto him, `Go up.` And David saith, `Whither do I go up?` and He saith, `To Hebron.`
- 2** So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail, Nabal's wife the Carmelite.
 So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jizreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.
 And David goeth up thither, and also his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail wife of Nabal the Carmelite;
- 3** And his men that were with him did David bring up, every man with his household: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.
 And his men that were with him did David bring up, every man with his household; and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.
 and his men who [are] with him hath David brought up -- a man and his household -- and they dwell in the cities of Hebron.

- 4 And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, That the men of Jabesh-gilead were they that buried Saul.
And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, It is the men of Jabesh-Gilead that have buried Saul.
And the men of Judah come, and anoint there David for king over the house of Judah; and they declare to David, saying, `The men of Jabesh-Gilead [are] they who buried Saul.`
- 5 And David sent messengers to the men of Jabesh-gilead, and said to them, Blessed be ye of Yahweh, that ye have shown this kindness to your lord even to Saul, and have buried him.
And David sent messengers to the men of Jabesh-Gilead, and said to them, Blessed be ye of Yahweh, that ye have shewn this kindness to your lord, to Saul, and have buried him!
And David sendeth messengers unto the men of Jabesh-Gilead, and saith unto them, `Blessed [are] ye of Yahweh, in that ye have done this kindness with your lord, with Saul, that ye bury him.
- 6 And now Yahweh show kindness and truth to you: and I also will requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing.
And now Yahweh shew kindness and faithfulness to you; and I also will requite you this good, because ye have done this thing.
`And, now, Yahweh doth with you kindness and truth, and also, I do with you this good because ye have done this thing;
- 7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them.
And now let your hands be strong, and be ye valiant; for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them and now, are your hands strong, and be ye for sons of valour, for your lord Saul. [is] dead, and also -- me have the house of Judah anointed for king over them.`
- 8 But Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim;
And Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took Ishbosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim;
And Abner, son of Ner, head of the host which Saul hath, hath taken Ish-Bosheth, son of Saul, and causeth him to pass over to Mahanaim,
- 9 And he made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.
and made him king over Gilead, and over the Asshurites, and over Jizreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.
and causeth him to reign over Gilead, and over the Ashurite, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over Israel -- all of it.
- 10 Ish-bosheth, Saul's son, was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and he reigned two years: but the house of Judah followed David
Ishbosheth Saul's son was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and he reigned two years. However, the house of Judah followed David.
A son of forty years, [is] Ish-Bosheth son of Saul, in his reigning over Israel, and two years he hath reigned, only the house of Judah have been after David.
- 11 And the time that David was king in Hebron, over the house of Judah, was seven years and six months.
And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.
And the number of the days that David hath been king in Hebron, over the house of Judah, is seven years and six months.

- 12** And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.
And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ishbosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.
And Abner son of Ner goeth out, and servants of Ish-Bosheth son of Saul, from Mahanaim to Gibeon.
- 13** And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David went out, and met together by the pool of Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.
And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out. And they met together by the pool of Gibeon; and they sat down, these on the one side of the pool, and those on the other side of the pool.
And Joab son of Zeruiah, and servants of David, have gone out, and they meet by the pool of Gibeon together, and sit down, these by the pool on this [side], and these by the pool on that.
- 14** And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men now arise, and play before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.
And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men now arise and make sport before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.
And Abner saith unto Joab, `Let the youths rise, I pray thee, and they play before us;` and Joab saith, `Let them rise.`
- 15** Then there arose, and went over by number twelve of Benjamin, who pertained to Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.
And they arose and went over by number, twelve for Benjamin, and for Ishbosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.
And they rise and pass over, in number twelve of Benjamin, even of Ish-Bosheth son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.
- 16** And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and thrust his sword in his fellow's side: so they fell down together: wherefore that place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which is in Gibeon.
And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and [thrust] his sword in his fellow's side, and they fell down together. And that place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which is by Gibeon.
And they lay hold, each on the head of his companion, and his sword [is] in the side of his companion, and they fall together, and [one] calleth the place Helkath-Hazzurim, which [is] in Gibeon,
- 17** And there was a very severe battle that day; and Abner was defeated, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David.
And the battle that day was very severe; and Abner and the men of Israel were routed before the servants of David.
and the battle is very hard on that day, and Abner is smitten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David.
- 18** And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel was as light of foot as a wild roe.
And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel. Now Asahel was swift of foot, as one of the gazelles that are in the field.
And there are there three sons of Zeruiah, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel, and Asahel [is] light on his feet, as one of the roes which [are] in the fi
- 19** And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left from following Abner.
And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left from behind Abner.
And Asahel pursueth after Abner, and hath not turned aside to go to the right or to the left, from after Abner.

- 20** Then Abner looked behind him, and said, Art thou Asahel? And he answered, I am.
Then Abner looked behind him, and said, Art thou Asahel? And he said, I am.
And Abner looketh behind him, and saith, `Art thou he -- Asahel?` and he saith, `I [am].`
- 21** And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay hold on one of the young men, and take to thee his armor. But Asahel would not turn aside from following him.
And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside, to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay hold of one of the young men, and take for thyself his armour. But Asahel would not turn aside from following him.
And Abner saith to him, `Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and seize for thee one of the youths, and take to thee his armour;` and Asahel hath not been willing to turn aside from after him.
- 22** And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: Why should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face Joab thy brother?
And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: why should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face Joab thy brother?
And Abner addeth again, saying unto Asahel, `Turn thee aside from after me, why do I smite thee to the earth? and how do I lift up my face unto Joab thy brother?`
- 23** But he refused to turn aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him under the fifth rib, that the spear came out behind him and he fell down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died, stood still.
But he refused to turn aside; therefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him in the belly, so that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there, and died in the same place. And it came to pass, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still.
And he refuseth to turn aside, and Abner smiteth him with the hinder part of the spear unto the fifth [rib], and the spear cometh out from behind him, and he falleth there, and dieth under it; and it cometh to pass, every one who hath come unto the place where Asahel hath fallen and dieth - they stand still.
- 24** Joab also, and Abishai pursued Abner: and the sun went down when they had come to the hill of Ammah, that lieth before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.
And Joab and Abishai pursued after Abner; and the sun went down when they came to the hill of Ammah, which is before Giah on the way to the wilderness of Gibeon.
And Joab and Abishai pursue after Abner, and the sun hath gone in, and they have come in unto the height of Ammah, which [is] on the front of Giah, the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.
- 25** And the children of Benjamin assembled themselves after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of a hill.
And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of a hill.
And the sons of Benjamin gather themselves together after Abner, and become one troop, and stand on the top of a certain height,

- 26** Then Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall the sword devour for ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere thou wilt bid the people return from following their brethren?
And Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall the sword devour for ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? and how long shall it be ere thou bid the people return from following their brethren?
and Abner calleth unto Joab, and saith, `For ever doth the sword consume? hast thou not known that it is bitterness in the latter end? and till when dost thou not say to the people to turn back from after their brethren?`
- 27** And Joab said, As God liveth, unless thou hadst spoken, surely then in the morning the people had gone up every one from following his brother.
And Joab said, [As] God liveth, unless thou hadst spoken, surely then in the morning the people had gone up every one from following his brother.
And Joab saith, `God liveth! for unless thou hadst spoken, surely then from the morning had the people gone up each from after his brother.`
- 28** So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued Israel no more, neither fought they any more.
And Joab blew the trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither did they fight any more.
And Joab bloweth with a trumpet, and all the people stand still, and pursue no more after Israel, nor have they added any more to fight.
- 29** And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.
And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over the Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.
And Abner and his men have gone through the plain all that night, and pass over the Jordan, and go on [through] all Bithron, and come in to Mahanaim.
- 30** And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had assembled all the people, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men, and Asahel.
And Joab returned from following Abner, and gathered all the people together; and there lacked of David's servants nineteen men, and Asahel.
And Joab hath turned back from after Abner, and gathereth all the people, and there are lacking of the servants of David nineteen men, and Asahel;
- 31** But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, so that three hundred and sixty men died.
And the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, three hundred and sixty men, who had died.
and the servants of David have smitten of Benjamin, even among the men of Abner, three hundred and sixty men -- they died.
- 32** And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulcher of his father, which was in Beth-lehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of day.
And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which was in Bethlehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of day.
And they lift up Asahel, and bury him in the burying-place of his father, which [is] in Beth-Lehem, and they go all the night -- Joab and his men and it is light to them in Hebron.

- 1** Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David grew stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul became weaker and weaker.
And the war was long between the house of Saul and the house of David; but David became continually stronger, and the house of Saul became continually weaker.
And the war is long between the house of Saul and the house of David, and David is going on and [is] strong, and the house of Saul are going on and [are] weak.
- 2** And to David were sons born in Hebron: and his first-born was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;
And to David were sons born in Hebron: his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;
And there are born to David sons in Hebron, and his first-born is Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess,
- 3** And his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah, the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;
and his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maachah, daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;
and his second [is] Chileab, of Abigail wife of Nabal the Carmelite, and the third [is] Absalom son of Maacah daughter of Talmai king of Geshur
- 4** And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;
and the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;
and the fourth [is] Adonijah son of Haggith, and the fifth [is] Shephatiah son of Abital,
- 5** And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.
and the sixth, Ithream, of Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.
and the sixth [is] Ithream, of Eglah wife of David; these have been born to David in Hebron.
- 6** And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul
And it came to pass while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul
And it cometh to pass, in the war being between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner hath been strengthening himself in the house of Saul,
- 7** And Saul had a concubine, whose name was Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and Ish-bosheth said to Abner, Why hast thou gone in to my father's concubine?
And Saul had a concubine whose name was Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah. And [Ishbosheth] said to Abner, Why hast thou gone in to my father's concubine?
and Saul hath a concubine, and her name [is] Rizpah daughter of Aiah, and [Ish-Bosheth] saith unto Abner, `Wherefore hast thou gone in unto the concubine of my father?`

- 8** Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, Am I a dog's head, who against Judah do show kindness this day to the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou chargest me to-day with a fault concerning this woman?
 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ishbosheth, and said, Am I a dog's head, I who against Judah do shew kindness this day to the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou reproachest me this day with the fault of this woman?
 And it is displeasing to Abner exceedingly, because of the words of Ish-Bosheth, and he saith, `The head of a dog [am] I -- that in reference to Judah to-day I do kindness with the house of Saul thy father, unto his brethren, and unto his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David -- that thou chargest against me iniquity concerning the woman to-day?
- 9** So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as Yahweh hath sworn to David, even so I do to him;
 So do God to Abner, and more also, if, as Yahweh has sworn to David, I do not so to him;
 thus doth God to Abner, and thus He doth add to him, surely as Yahweh hath sworn to David -- surely so I do to him:
- 10** To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba.
 to translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba!
 to cause the kingdom to pass over from the house of Saul, and to raise up the throne of David over Israel, and over Judah, from Dan even unto Beer-Sheba.`
- 11** And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.
 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.
 And he is not able any more to turn back Abner a word, because of his fearing him.
- 12** And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose is the land? saying also, Make thy league with me, and behold, my hand shall be with thee, to bring about all Israel to thee.
 And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose is the land? saying [also], Make thy covenant with me, and behold, my hand shall be with thee, to turn all Israel to thee.
 And Abner sendeth messengers unto David for himself, saying, `Whose [is] the land?` saying, `Make thy covenant with me, and lo, my hand [is] with thee, to bring round unto thee all Israel.`
- 13** And he said, Well; I will make a league with thee: but one thing I require of thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou shalt first bring Michal, Saul's daughter, when thou comest to see my face.
 And he said, Well, I will make a covenant with thee; only I require one thing of thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first bring Michal Saul's daughter, when thou comest to see my face.
 And he saith, `Good -- I make with thee a covenant; only, one thing I am asking of thee, that is, Thou dost not see my face, except thou dost first bring in Michal, daughter of Saul in thy coming into see my face.`

- 14** And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth, Saul's son, saying, Deliver to me my wife Michal, whom I espoused to me for a hundred foreskins of the Philistines.
And David sent messengers to Ishbosheth Saul`s son, saying, Deliver me my wife Michal, whom I espoused to me for a hundred foreskins of the Philistines.
And David sendeth messengers unto Ish-Bosheth son of Saul, saying, `Give up my wife Michal, whom I betrothed to myself with a hundred foreskins of the Philistines.`
- 15** And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from her husband, even from Phaltiel the son of Laish.
And Ishbosheth sent, and took her from [her] husband, from Phaltiel the son of Laish.
And Ish-Bosheth sendeth, and taketh her from a man, from Phaltiel son of Laish,
- 16** And her husband went with her, weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said Abner to him, Go, return. And he returned.
And her husband went with her along weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said Abner to him, Go, return. And he returned.
and her husband goeth with her, going on and weeping behind her, unto Bahurim, and Abner saith unto him, `Go, turn back;` and he turneth ba
- 17** And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David in times past to be king over you:
Now Abner had communicated with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David aforetime to be king over you;
And the word of Abner was with the elders of Israel, saying, `Heretofore ye have been seeking David for king over you,
- 18** Now then do it: for Yahweh hath spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my servant David I will save my people Israel from the hand of the Philistines, and from the hand of all their enemies.
and now do [it], for Yahweh has spoken of David, saying, By my servant David will I save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, an out of the hand of all their enemies.
and now, do [it], for Yahweh hath spoken of David saying, By the hand of David my servant -- to save My people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.`
- 19** And Abner also spoke in the ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.
And Abner also spoke in the ears of Benjamin; and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.
And Abner speaketh also in the ears of Benjamin, and Abner goeth also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that [is] good in the eyes of Israel, and in the eyes of all the house of Benjamin,
- 20** So Abner came to David in Hebron, and twenty men with him: and David made Abner and the men that were with him, a feast.
So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And David made Abner and the men that were with him a repast.
and Abner cometh in unto David, to Hebron, and with him twenty men, and David maketh for Abner, and for the men who [are] with him, a banquet.

- 21** And Abner said to David, I will arise and go, and will gather all Israel to my lord the king, that they may make a league with thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that thy heart desireth. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.
And Abner said to David, I will arise and go, and will gather all Israel to my lord the king, that they may make a covenant with thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that thy heart desires. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.
And Abner saith unto David, `I arise, and go, and gather unto my lord the king the whole of Israel, and they make with thee a covenant, and thou hast reigned over all that thy soul desireth;` and David sendeth away Abner, and he goeth in peace.
- 22** And behold, the servants of David and Joab came from pursuing a troop, and brought in a great spoil with them: but Abner was not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he had gone in peace.
And behold, the servants of David and Joab came from an expedition, and brought in a great spoil with them; but Abner was no longer with David in Hebron, for he had sent him away, and he had gone in peace.
And lo, the servants of David, and Joab, have come from the troop, and much spoil have brought with them, and Abner is not with David in Hebron, for he hath sent him away, and he goeth in peace;
- 23** When Joab and all the host that was with him had come, they told Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath sent him away; and he hath gone in peace.
And Joab and all the host that was with him came; and they told Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he has sent him away and he is gone in peace.
and Joab and all the host that [is] with him have come, and they declare to Joab, saying, `Abner son of Ner hath come unto the king, and he sendeth him away, and he goeth in peace.`
- 24** Then Joab came to the king, and said, What hast thou done? behold, Abner came to thee; why is it that thou hast sent him away, and he is quite gone?
Then Joab came to the king, and said, What hast thou done? behold, Abner came to thee; why is it [that] thou hast sent him away, and he is gone?
And Joab cometh unto the king, and saith, `What hast thou done? lo, Abner hath come unto thee! why [is] this -- thou hast sent him away, and he is really gone?`
- 25** Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that he came to deceive thee, and to know thy going-out and thy coming-in, and to know all that thou doest.
Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that he came to deceive thee, to know thy going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou doest.
Thou hast known Abner son of Ner, that to deceive thee he came, and to know thy going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou art doing.`
- 26** And when Joab had come out from David, he sent messengers after Abner, who brought him again from the well of Sirah: but David knew it not.
And when Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after Abner, who brought him again from the well of Sirah; but David did not know it.
And Joab goeth out from David, and sendeth messengers after Abner, and they bring him back from the well of Sirah, and David knew not.

- 27 And when Abner had returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with him quietly, and smote him there under the fifth rib that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother.
And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with him secretly, and smote him there in the belly, that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother.
And Abner turneth back to Hebron, and Joab turneth him aside unto the midst of the gate to speak with him quietly, and smiteth him there in the fifth [rib] -- and he dieth -- for the blood of Asahel his brother.
- 28 And afterward when David heard it, he said, I and my kingdom are guiltless before Yahweh for ever from the blood of Abner the son of Ner:
And afterwards David heard [it], and he said, I and my kingdom are guiltless before Yahweh for ever from the blood of Abner the son of Ner:
And David heareth afterwards and saith, `Acquitted [am] I, and my kingdom, by Yahweh, unto the age, from the blood of Abner son of Ner;
- 29 Let it rest on the head of Joab, and on all his father's house; and let there not fail from the house of Joab one that hath an issue, or that is a leper or that leaneth on a staff, or that falleth on the sword, or that lacketh bread.
let it fall on the head of Joab, and on all his father`s house; and let there not fail from the house of Joab one that has an issue, or that is a leper, that leans on a staff, or that falls by the sword, or that lacks bread!
it doth stay on the head of Joab, and on all the house of his father, and there is not cut off from the house of Joab one having an issue, and leprosy and laying hold on a staff, and falling by a sword, and lacking bread.`
- 30 So Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had slain their brother Asahel at Gibeon in the battle.
So Joab and Abishai his brother killed Abner, because he had slain their brother Asahel at Gibeon in the battle.
And Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner because that he put to death Asahel their brother, in Gibeon, in battle.
- 31 And David said to Joab, and to all the people that were with him, Rend your clothes, and gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before Abner. And king David himself followed the bier.
And David said to Joab, and to all the people that were with him, Rend your garments, and gird yourselves with sackcloth, and mourn before Abner. And king David followed the bier.
And David saith unto Joab, and unto all the people who [are] with him, `Rend your garments, and gird on sackcloth, and mourn before Abner;` and king David is going after the bier.
- 32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.
And they buried Abner in Hebron; and the king lifted up his voice and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.
And they bury Abner in Hebron, and the king lifteth up his voice, and weepeth at the grave of Abner, and all the people weep;
- 33 And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a fool dieth?
And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Should Abner die as a fool dieth?
and the king lamenteth for Abner, and saith: -- `As the death of a fool doth Abner die?

- 34** Thy hands were not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before wicked men, so fellest thou. And all the people wept again over him.
Thy hands were not bound, Nor thy feet put into fetters; As a man falleth before wicked men, Fellest thou! And all the people wept again over him.
Thy hands not bound, And thy feet to fetters not brought nigh! As one falling before sons of evil -- Thou hast fallen!` and all the people add to weep over him.
- 35** And when all the people came to cause David to eat food while it was yet day, David swore, saying, So do God to me, and more also, If I taste bread or aught else, till the sun is down.
And all the people came to cause David to eat bread while it was yet day; but David swore, saying, So do God to me, and more also, if I taste bread or aught else till the sun be down!
And all the people come to cause David to eat bread while yet day, and David sweareth, saying, `Thus doth God to me, and thus He doth add, for -- before the going in of the sun, I taste no bread or any other thing.`
- 36** And all the people took notice of it, and it pleased them: as what ever the king did pleased all the people.
And all the people remarked it, and it pleased them; as whatever the king did pleased all the people.
And all the people have discerned [it], and it is good in their eyes, as all that the king hath done is good in the eyes of all the people;
- 37** For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner.
And all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to put Abner the son of Ner to death.
and all the people know, even all Israel, in that day, that it hath not been from the king -- to put to death Abner son of Ner.
- 38** And the king said to his servants, Know ye not that there hath a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?
And the king said to his servants, Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?
And the king saith unto his servants, `Do ye not know that a prince and a great one hath fallen this day in Israel?`
- 39** And I am this day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruijah are too hard for me. Yahweh shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness.
And I am this day weak, though anointed king; and these men, the sons of Zeruijah, are too hard for me: Yahweh reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness!
and I to-day [am] tender, and an anointed king: and these men, sons of Zeruijah, [are] too hard for me; Yahweh doth recompense to the doer of t evil according to his evil.`
- 1** And when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled.
And when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were enfeebled, and all Israel was troubled.
And the son of Saul heareth that Abner [is] dead in Hebron, and his hands are feeble, and all Israel have been troubled.

- 2 And Saul's son had two men that were captains of bands: the name of the one was Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (For Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin:
And Saul's son had two men, captains of bands: the name of the one was Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin; for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin.
And two men, heads of troops, have been [to] the son of Saul, the name of the one [is] Baanah, and the name of the second Rechab, sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, of the sons of Benjamin, for also Beeroth is reckoned to Benjamin,
- 3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and have been sojourners there until this day.)
And the Beerothites had fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.
and the Beerothites flee to Gittaim, and are there sojourners unto this day.
- 4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son that was lame of his feet: he was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name was Mephibosheth.
And Jonathan Saul's son had a son that was lame of [his] feet. He was five years old when the news came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel; and his nurse took him up and fled. And it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name was Mephibosheth.
And to Jonathan son of Saul [is] a son -- lame; he was a son of five years at the coming in of the rumour of [the death of] Saul and Jonathan, out of Jezreel, and his nurse lifteth him up, and fleeth, and it cometh to pass in her hasting to flee, that he falleth, and becometh lame, and his name [is] Mephibosheth.
- 5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.
And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went and came in about the heat of the day into the house of Ishbosheth, who was taking his noonday rest.
And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, go, and come in at the heat of the day unto the house of Ish-Bosheth, and he is lying down -- the lying down of noon;
- 6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, as though they would have fetched wheat; and they smote him under the fifth rib: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.
And they came thither into the midst of the house, [as though] they would fetch wheat; and they smote him in the belly; and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.
and thither they have come, unto the midst of the house, taking wheat, and they smite him unto the fifth [rib], and Rechab and Baanah his brother have escaped;
- 7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bed-chamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head and went away through the plain all night.
They came into the house, as he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him; and they took his head and went by the way of the plain all night.
yea, they come in to the house, and he is lying on his bed, in the inner part of his bed-chamber, and they smite him, and put him to death, and turn aside his head, and they take his head, and go the way of the plain all the night,

- 8** And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth to David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul thy enemy, who sought thy life; and Yahweh hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul and of his seed.
 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth to David in Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ishbosheth the son of Saul, thine enemy who sought thy life; and Yahweh has given to my lord the king to be avenged this day of Saul and of his seed.
 and bring in the head of Ish-Bosheth unto David in Hebron, and say unto the king, `Lo, the head of Ish-Bosheth, son of Saul, thine enemy, who sought thy life; and Yahweh doth give to my lord the king vengeance this day, of Saul and of his seed.`
- 9** And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said to them, As Yahweh liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,
 Then David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said to them, [As] Yahweh liveth, who has redeemed my soul out of all distress,
 And David answereth Rechab and Baanah his brother, sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and saith to them, `Yahweh liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,
- 10** When one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, (thinking to have brought good tidings,) I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, who thought that I would have given him a reward for his tidings:
 when one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead! and he was in his own sight a messenger of good, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag -- to whom forsooth I should give a reward for his good tidings:
 when one is declaring to me, saying, Lo, Saul is dead, and he was as a bearer of tidings in his own eyes, then I take hold on him, and slay him in Ziklag, instead of my giving to him [for] the tidings.
- 11** How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?
 how much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? and should I not now demand his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?
 Also -- when wicked men have slain the righteous man in his own house, on his bed; and now, do not I require his blood of your hand, and have taken you away from the earth?`
- 12** And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged them over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ish-bosheth, and buried it in the sepulcher of Abner in Hebron.
 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged [them] up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ishbosheth, and buried it in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.
 And David commandeth the young men, and they slay them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hang [them] over the pool in Hebron, and the head of Ish-Bosheth they have taken, and bury [it] in the burying-place of Abner in Hebron.
- 1** Then came all the tribes of Israel to David to Hebron, and spoke, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.
 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David to Hebron, and spoke, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.
 And all the tribes of Israel come unto David, to Hebron, and speak, saying, `Lo, we [are] thy bone and thy flesh;

- 2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and Yahweh said to thee, Thou shalt feed n people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.
Even aforetime, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel; and Yahweh said to thee, Thou shalt feed n people Israel, and thou shalt be prince over Israel.
also heretofore, in Saul`s being king over us, thou hast been he who is bringing out and bringing in Israel, and Yahweh saith to thee, Thou dost feed My people Israel, and thou art for leader over Israel.`
- 3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before Yahweh: and they anointed David king over Israel.
And all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a covenant with them in Hebron before Yahweh; and they anoint David king over Israel.
And all the elders of Israel come unto the king, to Hebron, and king David maketh with them a covenant in Hebron before Yahweh, and they anoint David for king over Israel.
- 4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.
David was thirty years old when he began to reign; he reigned forty years.
A son of thirty years [is] David in his being king; forty years he hath reigned;
- 5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.
In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.
in Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years, over all Israel and Judah.
- 6 And the king and his men went to Jerusalem to the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: who spoke to David, saying, Except thou shalt take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: thinking, David cannot come in hither.
And the king and his men went to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land; and they spoke to David, saying, Thou shalt not come in hither, but the blind and the lame will drive thee back; as much as to say, David will not come in hither.
And the king goeth, and his men, to Jerusalem, unto the Jebusite, the inhabitant of the land, and they speak to David, saying, `Thou dost not come in hither, except thou turn aside the blind and the lame;` saying, `David doth not come in hither.`
- 7 Nevertheless, David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is the city of David.
But David took the stronghold of Zion, which is the city of David.
And David captureth the fortress of Zion, it [is] the city of David.
- 8 And David said on that day, Whoever getteth up to the gutter, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, that are hated by David's soul, he shall be chief and captain: Wherefore they said, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.
And David said on that day, Whoever smites the Jebusites and gets up to the watercourse, and the lame and the blind hated of David`s soul ...! Therefore they say, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.
And David saith on that day, `Any one smiting the Jebusite, (let him go up by the watercourse), and the lame and the blind -- the hated of David`s soul,` -- because the blind and lame say, `He doth not come into the house.`

- 9 So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And David built around from Millo and inward.
So David dwelt in the stronghold, and called it the city of David. And David built round about from the Millo and inward.
And David dwelleth in the fortress, and calleth it -- City of David, and David buildeth round about, from Millo and inward,
- 10 And David went on, and grew great, and Yahweh God of hosts was with him.
And David became continually greater; and Yahweh the God of hosts was with him.
and David goeth, going on and becoming great, and Yahweh, God of Hosts, [is] with him.
- 11 And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar-trees, and carpenters, and masons: and they built David a house.
And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, and carpenters, and masons; and they built David a house.
And Hiram king of Tyre sendeth messengers unto David, and cedar-trees, and artificers of wood, and artificers of stone, for walls, and they build house for David,
- 12 And David perceived that Yahweh had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.
And David perceived that Yahweh had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom because of his people Israel.
and David knoweth that Yahweh hath established him for king over Israel, and that He hath lifted up his kingdom, because of His people Israel.
- 13 And David took him more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he had come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born David.
And David took him more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he had come from Hebron; and there were yet sons and daughters born to David.
And David taketh again concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after his coming from Hebron, and there are born again to David sons and daughters.
- 14 And these are the names of those that were born to him in Jerusalem; Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,
And these are the names of those that were born to him in Jerusalem: Shammua, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,
And these [are] the names of those born to him in Jerusalem: Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,
- 15 Ibhar also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
and Ibhar, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
and Ibhar, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
- 16 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet.
and Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet.
and Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet.

- 17** But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David; and David heard of it, and went down to the hold.
And the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, and all the Philistines went up to seek David; and David heard [of it], and went down to the stronghold.
And the Philistines hear that they have anointed David for king over Israel, and all the Philistines come up to seek David, and David heareth, and goeth down unto the fortress,
- 18** The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
and the Philistines have come, and are spread out in the valley of Rephaim.
- 19** And David inquired of Yahweh, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into my hand? And Yahweh said to David, Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thy hand.
And David inquired of Yahweh, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? wilt thou give them into my hand? And Yahweh said to David, Go up; for I will certainly give the Philistines into thy hand.
And David asketh of Yahweh, saying, `Do I go up unto the Philistines? dost Thou give them into my hand?` And Yahweh saith unto David, `Go up, for I certainly give the Philistines into thy hand.`
- 20** And David came to Baal-perazim, and David smote them there, and said, Yahweh hath broken forth upon my enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place Baal-perazim.
And David came to Baal-perazim, and David smote them there; and he said, Yahweh has broken in upon mine enemies before me, as the breaking forth of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place Baal-perazim.
And David cometh in to Baal-Perazim, and David smiteth them there, and saith, `Yahweh hath broken forth [on] mine enemies before me, as the breaking forth of waters;` therefore he hath called the name of that place Baal-Perazim.
- 21** And there they left their images, and David and his men burned them.
And they left their images there, and David and his men took them away.
And they forsake there their idols, and David and his men lift them up.
- 22** And the Philistines came yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
And the Philistines add again to come up, and are spread out in the valley of Rephaim,
- 23** And when David inquired of Yahweh, he said, Thou shalt not go up: but fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry-trees.
And David inquired of Yahweh; and he said, Thou shalt not go up; turn round behind them and come upon them opposite the mulberry-trees.
and David asketh of Yahweh, and He saith, `Thou dost not go up, turn round unto their rear, and thou hast come to them over-against the mulberries,

- 24** And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry-trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall Yahweh go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines.
And it shall be, when thou hearest a sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry-trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself; for then will Yahweh have gone forth before thee, to smite the army of the Philistines.
and it cometh to pass, in thy hearing the sound of a stepping in the tops of the mulberries, then thou dost move sharply, for then hath Yahweh gone out before thee to smite in the camp of the Philistines.`
- 25** And David did so as Yahweh had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from Geba until thou comest to Gazer.
And David did so, as Yahweh had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from Geba until thou comest to Gezer.
And David doth so, as Yahweh commanded him, and smiteth the Philistines from Geba unto thy coming to Gazer.
- 1** Again, David assembled all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand,
And David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand.
And David gathered again every chosen one in Israel, thirty thousand,
- 2** And David arose, and went with all the people that were with him from Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God, whose name is called by the name of Yahweh of hosts that dwelleth between the cherubim.
And David arose and went with all the people that were with him from Baale-Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God which is called by the name, the name of Yahweh of hosts who sitteth between the cherubim.
and David riseth and goeth, and all the people who [are] with him, from Baale-Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God, whose name hath been called -- the name of Yahweh of Hosts, inhabiting the cherubs -- upon it.
- 3** And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that was in Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio the sons of Abinadab drove the new cart.
And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was upon the hill; and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drove the new cart.
And they cause the ark of God to ride on a new cart, and lift it up from the house of Abinadab, which [is] in the height, and Uzzah and Ahio sons of Abinadab are leading the new cart;
- 4** And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was at Gibeah, accompanying the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.
And they brought it with the ark of God out of the house of Abinadab which was upon the hill; and Ahio went before the ark.
and they lift it up from the house of Abinadab, which [is] in the height, with the ark of God, and Ahio is going before the ark,
- 5** And David and all the house of Israel played before Yahweh on all manner of instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.
And David and all the house of Israel played before Yahweh on all manner of [instruments made of] cypress wood, with harps, and with lutes, and with tambours, and with sistra, and with cymbals.
and David and all the house of Israel are playing before Yahweh, with all kinds of [instruments] of fir-wood, even with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cornets, and with cymbals.

- 6** And when they came to Nachon's threshing-floor, Uzzah put forth his hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it: for the oxen shook it.
And when they came to Nachon's threshing-floor, Uzzah reached after the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen had stumbled.
And they come unto the threshing-floor of Nachon, and Uzzah putteth forth [his hand] unto the ark of God, and layeth hold on it, for they release the oxen;
- 7** And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Uzzah, and God smote him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God.
And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God.
and the anger of Yahweh burneth against Uzzah, and God smiteth him there for the error, and he dieth there by the ark of God.
- 8** And David was displeased, because Yahweh had made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perez-uzzah to this day.
And David was indignant, because Yahweh had made a breach upon Uzzah; and he called that place Perez-Uzzah to this day.
And it is displeasing to David, because that Yahweh hath broken forth a breach upon Uzzah, and [one] calleth that place Perez-Uzzah, unto this day;
- 9** And David was afraid of Yahweh that day, and said, How shall the ark of Yahweh come to me?
And David was afraid of Yahweh that day, and said, How shall the ark of Yahweh come to me?
and David feareth Yahweh on that day, and saith, `How doth the ark of Yahweh come in unto me?`
- 10** So David would not remove the ark of Yahweh to him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.
So David would not bring the ark of Yahweh home unto himself into the city of David; but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.
And David hath not been willing to turn aside unto himself the ark of Yahweh, to the city of David, and David turneth it aside to the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite,
- 11** And the ark of Yahweh continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months: and Yahweh blessed Obed-edom and all his household.
And the ark of Yahweh remained in the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite three months; and Yahweh blessed Obed-Edom and all his household.
and the ark of Yahweh doth inhabit the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite three months, and Yahweh blesseth Obed-Edom and all his house.
- 12** And it was told king David, saying, Yahweh hath blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that pertaineth to him, because of the ark of God. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.
And it was told king David, saying, Yahweh has blessed the house of Obed-Edom, and all that is his, because of the ark of God. And David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom into the city of David with joy.
And it is declared to king David, saying, `Yahweh hath blessed the house of Obed-Edom, and all that he hath, because of the ark of God;` and David goeth and bringeth up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the city of David with joy.
- 13** And it was so, that when they that bore the ark of Yahweh had gone six paces, he sacrificed oxen and fatlings.
And it was so, that when they that bore the ark of Yahweh had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatted beast.
And it cometh to pass, when those bearing the ark of Yahweh have stepped six steps, that he sacrificeth an ox and a fatling.

- 14** And David danced before Yahweh with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod.
And David danced before Yahweh with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod.
And David is dancing with all strength before Yahweh, and David is girded with a linen ephod,
- 15** So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of Yahweh with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.
And David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of Yahweh with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.
and David and all the house of Israel are bringing up the ark of Yahweh with shouting, and with the voice of a trumpet,
- 16** And as the ark of Yahweh came into the city of David, Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before Yahweh; and she despised him in her heart.
And as the ark of Yahweh came into the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before Yahweh; and she despised him in her heart.
and it hath come to pass, the ark of Yahweh hath come in to the city of David, and Michal daughter of Saul, hath looked through the window, an seeth king David moving and dancing before Yahweh, and despiseth him in her heart.
- 17** And they brought in the ark of Yahweh, and set it in its place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had pitched for it: and David offered bur offerings and peace-offerings before Yahweh.
And they brought in the ark of Yahweh, and set it in its place, in the midst of the tent that David had spread for it. And David offered up burnt offerings and peace-offerings before Yahweh.
And they bring in the ark of Yahweh, and set it up in its place, in the midst of the tent which David hath spread out for it, and David causeth to ascend burnt-offerings before Yahweh, and peace-offerings.
- 18** And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt-offerings and peace-offerings, he blessed the people in the name of Yahweh of hosts.
And when David had ended offering up the burnt-offerings and the peace-offerings, he blessed the people in the name of Yahweh of hosts.
And David finisheth from causing to ascend the burnt-offering, and the peace-offerings, and blesseth the people in the name of Yahweh of Hosts.
- 19** And he dealt among all the people, even among the whole multitude of Israel, as well to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine. So all the people departed every one to his house.
And he dealt to all the people, to the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to every one a cake of bread, and a measure [of wine], and a raisin-cake. And all the people departed every one to his house.
and he apportioneth to all the people, to all the multitude of Israel, from man even unto woman, to each, one cake of bread, and one eshpar, and one ashisha, and all the people go, each to his house.
- 20** Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to-day, who uncovered himself to-day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himse
And David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How honourable did the king of Israel make himself to-day, who uncovered himself to-day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the lewd fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!
And David turneth back to bless his house, and Michal daughter of Saul goeth out to meet David, and saith, `How honourable to-day was the kin of Israel, who was uncovered to-day before the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain ones is openly uncovered!`

- 21** And David said to Michal, It was before Yahweh, who chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of Yahweh, over Israel: therefore will I play before Yahweh.
And David said to Michal, It was before Yahweh, who chose me rather than thy father, and than all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of Yahweh, over Israel; and I played before Yahweh.
And David saith unto Michal, `-- Before Yahweh, who fixed on me above thy father, and above all his house, to appoint me leader over the people of Yahweh, and over Israel, -- yea, I played before Yahweh;
- 22** And I shall yet be more vile than thus, and shall be base in my own sight: and by the maid-servants which thou hast spoken of, by them shall I be had in honor.
And I will make myself yet more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight; and of the handmaids that thou hast spoken of, of them shall be had in honour.
and I have been more vile than this, and have been low in mine eyes, and with the handmaids whom thou hast spoken of, with them I am honour
- 23** Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child until the day of her death.
And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child to the day of her death.
As to Michal daughter of Saul, she had no child till the day of her death.
- 1** And it came to pass, when the king sat in his house, and Yahweh had given him rest around from all his enemies;
And it came to pass when the king dwelt in his house, and Yahweh had given him rest round about from all his enemies,
And it cometh to pass, when the king sat in his house, and Yahweh hath given rest to him round about, from all his enemies,
- 2** That the king said to Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.
that the king said to Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in a house of cedars, and the ark of God dwells under curtains.
that the king saith unto Nathan the prophet, `See, I pray thee, I am dwelling in a house of cedars, and the ark of God is dwelling in the midst of t curtain.`
- 3** And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that is in thy heart: for Yahweh is with thee.
And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that is in thy heart; for Yahweh is with thee.
And Nathan saith unto the king, `All that [is] in thine heart -- go, do, for Yahweh [is] with thee.`
- 4** And it came to pass that night, that the word of Yahweh came to Nathan, saying,
And it came to pass that night that the word of Yahweh came to Nathan, saying,
And it cometh to pass in that night, that the word of Yahweh is unto Nathan, saying,
- 5** Go and tell my servant David, Thus saith Yahweh, Wilt thou build me a house for me to dwell in?
Go and say to my servant, to David, Thus saith Yahweh: Wilt thou build me a house for me to dwell in?
`Go, and thou hast said unto My servant, unto David, Thus said Yahweh, Dost thou build for Me a house for My dwelling in?

- 6** Whereas I have not dwelt in any house since the time that I brought the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.
For I have not dwelt in a house since the day that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but I went about in a tent and in a tabernacle.
for I have not dwelt in a house even from the day of My bringing up the sons of Israel out of Egypt, even unto this day, and am walking up and down in a tent and in a tabernacle.
- 7** In all the places in which I have walked with all the children of Israel have I spoken a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded feed my people Israel, saying, Why do ye not build me a house of cedar?
In all my going about with all the children of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build ye me not a house of cedars?
During all [the time] that I have walked up and down among all the sons of Israel, a word have I spoken with one of the tribes of Israel which I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, `Why have ye not built to Me a house of cedars?
- 8** Now therefore so shalt thou say to my servant David, thus saith Yahweh of hosts, I took thee from the sheep-cote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:
And now, thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith Yahweh of hosts: I took thee from the pasture-grounds, from following the sheep, to be prince over my people, over Israel;
and now, thus dost thou say to My servant, to David: `Thus said Yahweh of Hosts, I have taken thee from the comely place, from after the flock, be leader over My people, over Israel;
- 9** And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thy enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like to the name of the great men that are in the earth.
and I have been with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are on the earth.
and I am with thee whithersoever thou hast gone, and I cut off all thine enemies from thy presence, and have made for thee a great name, as the name of the great ones who [are] in the earth,
- 10** Moreover, I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as formerly.
And I will appoint a place for my people, for Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and be disturbed no more; neither shall the sons of wickedness afflict them any more, as formerly,
and I have appointed a place for My people, for Israel, and have planted it, and it hath tabernacled in its place, and it is not troubled any more, and the sons of perverseness do not add to afflict it any more, as in the beginning,

- 11** And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thy enemies. Also Yahweh telle thee that he will make thee a house.
and since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel. And I have given thee rest from all thine enemies; and Yahweh telleth thee that Yahweh will make thee a house.
even from the day that I appointed judges over My people Israel; and I have given rest to thee from all thine enemies, and Yahweh hath declared to thee that Yahweh doth make for thee a house.
- 12** And when thy days shall be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.
When thy days are fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.
`When thy days are full, and thou hast lain with thy fathers, then I have raised up thy seed after thee which goeth out from thy bowels, and have established his kingdom;
- 13** He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
It is he who shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
He doth build a house for My Name, and I have established the throne of his kingdom unto the age.
- 14** I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he shall commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:
I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the stripes of the sons of men
I am to him for a father, and he is to Me for a son; whom in his dealings perversely I have even reprov'd with a rod of men, and with strokes of the sons of Adam,
- 15** But my mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.
but my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before thee.
and My kindness doth not turn aside from him, as I turned it aside from Saul, whom I turned aside from before thee,
- 16** And thy house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.
And thy house and thy kingdom shall be made firm for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.
and stedfast [is] thy house and thy kingdom unto the age before thee, thy throne is established unto the age.`
- 17** According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak to David.
According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak to David.
According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so spake Nathan unto David.
- 18** Then king David went in, and sat before Yahweh, and he said, Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto;
And king David went in and sat before Yahweh, and said, Who am I, Lord Yahweh, and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?
And king David cometh in and sitteth before Yahweh, and saith, `Who [am] I, Lord Yahweh? and what my house, that Thou hast brought me hitherto?

- 19** And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?
And yet this hath been a small thing in thy sight, Lord Yahweh; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And this the manner of man, Lord Yahweh?
And yet this [is] little in Thine eyes, Lord Yahweh, and Thou dost speak also concerning the house of Thy servant afar off; and this [is] the law of the Man, Lord Yahweh.
- 20** And what can David say more to thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy servant.
And what can David say more to thee? for thou, Lord Yahweh, knowest thy servant.
And what doth David add more to speak unto Thee? and Thou, Thou hast known Thy servant, Lord Yahweh.
- 21** For thy word's sake, and according to thy own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know them.
For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, to make thy servant know [it].
Because of Thy word, and according to Thy heart, Thou hast done all this greatness, to cause Thy servant to know [it].
- 22** Wherefore thou art great, O Yahweh God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God besides thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
Wherefore thou art great, Yahweh Elohim; for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
Therefore Thou hast been great, Yahweh God, for there is none like Thee, and there is no God save Thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
- 23** And what one nation in the earth is like thy people, even like Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land, before thy people which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, from the nations and their gods?
And who is like thy people, like Israel, the one nation in the earth that God went to redeem to be a people to himself, and to make himself a name and to do for them great things and terrible, for thy land, before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thyself from Egypt, from the nations and their gods?
And who [is] as Thy people, as Israel -- one nation in the earth, whom God hath gone to redeem to Him for a people, and to make for Him a name -- and to do for you the greatness -- even fearful things for Thy land, at the presence of Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed to Thee out of Egypt -- [among the] nations and their gods?
- 24** For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel to be a people to thee for ever: and thou, Yahweh, art become their God.
And thou hast established to thyself thy people Israel to be a people unto thee for ever; and thou, Yahweh, art become their God.
Yea, Thou dost establish to Thee Thy people Israel, to Thee for a people unto the age, and Thou, Yahweh, hast been to them for God.

- 25** And now, O Yahweh God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and concerning his house, establish it for ever, and do as thou hast said.
 And now, Yahweh Elohim, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house, fulfil it for ever, and do as thou hast said.
 `And now, Yahweh God, the word which Thou hast spoken concerning Thy servant, and concerning his house, establish unto the age, and do as Thou hast spoken;
- 26** And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, Yahweh of hosts is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.
 And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, Yahweh of hosts is God over Israel; and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.
 And Thy Name is great unto the age, saying, Yahweh of Hosts [is] God over Israel, and the house of Thy servant David is established before Thee.
- 27** For thou, O Yahweh of hosts, God of Israel, hast revealed to thy servant, saying, I will build thee a house: therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer to thee.
 For thou, Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, hast revealed to thy servant, saying, I will build thee a house; therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.
 For Thou, Yahweh of Hosts, God of Israel, Thou hast uncovered the ear of Thy servant, saying, A house I build for thee, therefore hath Thy servant found his heart to pray unto Thee this prayer;
- 28** And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words are true, and thou hast promised this goodness to thy servant:
 And now, Lord Yahweh, thou art that God, and thy words are true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant;
 And now, Lord Yahweh, Thou [art] God Himself, and Thy words are truth, and Thou speakest unto Thy servant this goodness,
- 29** Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.
 and now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever; for thou, Lord Yahweh, hast spoken it; and with thy blessing shall the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.
 And now, begin and bless the house of Thy servant, to be unto the age before Thee, for Thou, Lord Yahweh, hast spoken, and by Thy blessing is the house of Thy servant blessed -- to the age.`
- 1** And after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and David took Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.
 And after this it came to pass that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them; and David took the power of the capital out of the hand of the Philistines.
 And it cometh to pass afterwards that David smiteth the Philistines, and humbleth them, and David taketh the bridle of the metropolis out of the hand of the Philistines.

- 2** And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines he measured to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive. And so the Moabites became David's servants, and brought gifts.
And he smote the Moabites, and measured them with a line, making them lie down on the ground; and he measured two lines to put to death, and one full line to keep alive. And the Moabites became David's servants, [and] brought gifts.
And he smiteth Moab, and measureth them with a line, causing them to lie down on the earth, and he measureth two lines to put to death, and the fulness of the line to keep alive, and the Moabites are to David for servants, bearers of a present.
- 3** David smote also Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover his border at the river Euphrates.
And David smote Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover his dominion by the river Euphrates.
And David smiteth Hadadezer son of Rehob, king of Zobah, in his going to bring back his power by the River [Euphrates;]
- 4** And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David houghed all the chariot-horses, but reserved of them for a hundred chariots.
And David took from him one thousand seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen; and David houghed all the chariot [horses], but reserved of them [for] a hundred chariots.
and David captureth from him a thousand and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen, and David destroyeth utterly the whole of the charioteers, only he leaveth of them a hundred charioteers.
- 5** And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succor Hadadezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.
And the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadadezer king of Zobah, and David smote of the Syrians twenty-two thousand men.
And Aram of Damascus cometh to give help to Hadadezer king of Zobah, and David smiteth of Aram twenty and two thousand men;
- 6** Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and the Syrians became servants to David, and brought gifts. And Yahweh preserved David whithersoever he went.
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and David putteth garrisons in Aram of Damascus, and Aram is to David for a servant, bearing a present; and Yahweh saveth David whithersoever he hath gone;
- 7** And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.
And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.
and David taketh the shields of gold which were on the servants of Hadadezer, and bringeth them to Jerusalem;
- 8** And from Betah, and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took very much brass.
And from Betah, and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much bronze.
and from Betah, and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, hath king David taken very much brass.
- 9** When Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer,
And Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the forces of Hadadezer;
And Toi king of Hamath heareth that David hath smitten all the force of Hadadezer,

- 10** Then Toi sent Joram his son to king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: (for Hadadezer had wars with Toi) and Joram brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:
 and Toi sent Joram his son to king David, to inquire of his welfare, and to congratulate him, because he had fought against Hadadezer and smitten him; for Hadadezer was continually at war with Toi. And he brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of bronze
 and Toi sendeth Joram his son unto king David to ask of him of welfare, and to bless him, (because that he hath fought against Hadadezer, and smiteth him, for a man of wars [with] Toi had Hadadezer been), and in his hand have been vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass,
- 11** Which also king David dedicated to Yahweh, with the silver and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued;
 Them also king David dedicated to Yahweh, with the silver and the gold that he had dedicated of all the nations that he had subdued:
 also them did king David sanctify to Yahweh, with the silver and the gold which he sanctified of all the nations which he subdued:
- 12** Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer son of Rehob, king of Zobah.
 of the Syrians, and of the Moabites, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of the Amalekites, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah.
 of Aram, and of Moab, and of the Bene-Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer son of Rehob king of Zobah
- 13** And David made him a name when he returned from smiting of the Syrians in the valley of Salt, being eighteen thousand men.
 And David made him a name when he returned, after he had smitten the Syrians in the valley of salt, eighteen thousand [men].
 And David maketh a name in his turning back from his smiting Aram in the valley of Salt -- eighteen thousand;
- 14** And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom he put garrisons, and all they of Edom became David's servants. And Yahweh preserved David whithersoever he went.
 And he put garrisons in Edom: throughout Edom did he put garrisons; and all they of Edom became servants to David. And Yahweh preserved David whithersoever he went.
 and he putteth in Edom garrisons -- in all Edom he hath put garrisons, and all Edom are servants to David; and Yahweh saveth David whithersoever he hath gone.
- 15** And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice to all his people.
 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice to all his people.
 And David reigneth over all Israel, and David is doing judgment and righteousness to all his people,
- 16** And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder;
 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was chronicler;
 and Joab son of Zeruiah [is] over the host, and Jehoshaphat son of Ahilud [is] remembrancer,
- 17** And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, were the priests: and Seraiah was the scribe;
 and Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, were the priests; and Seraiah was scribe;
 and Zadok son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech son of Abiathar, [are] priests, and Seraiah [is] scribe,

- 18** And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over both the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were chief rulers.
and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David`s sons were chief rulers.
and Benaiah son of Jehoiada [is over] both the Cherethite and the Pelethite, and the sons of David have been ministers.
- 1** And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?
And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him kindness for Jonathan`s sake?
And David saith, `Is there yet any left to the house of Saul, and I do with him kindness because of Jonathan?`
- 2** And there was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba. And when they had called him to David, the king said to him, Art thou Ziba?
And he said, Thy servant is he.
And there was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba; and they called him to David. And the king said to him, Art thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant!
And the house of Saul hath a servant, and his name [is] Ziba, and they call for him unto David; and the king saith unto him, `Art thou Ziba?` and he saith, `Thy servant.`
- 3** And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him? and Ziba said to the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, who is lame in his feet.
And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness of God to him? And Ziba said to the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, who is lame on [his] feet.
And the king saith, `Is there not yet a man to the house of Saul, and I do with him the kindness of God?` And Ziba saith unto the king, `Jonathan hath yet a son -- lame.`
- 4** And the king said to him, Where is he? And Ziba said to the king, Behold, he is in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar.
And the king said to him, Where is he? And Ziba said to the king, Behold, he is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, in Lodebar.
And the king saith to him, `Where [is] he?` and Ziba saith unto the king, `Lo, he [is] in the house of Machir, son of Ammiel, in Lo-Debar.`
- 5** Then king David sent, and brought him from the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar.
And king David sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, from Lodebar.
And king David sendeth, and taketh him out of the house of Machir son of Ammiel, of Lo-Debar,
- 6** Now when Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, had come to David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant!
And Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he said, Behold thy servant!
and Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, son of Saul, cometh unto David, and falleth on his face, and doth obeisance, and David saith, `Mephibosheth and he saith, `Lo, thy servant.`

- 7 And David said to him, Fear not: for I will surely show thee kindness for the sake of Jonathan thy father, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.
And David said to him, Fear not; for I will certainly shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father`s sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.
And David saith to him, `Be not afraid; for I certainly do with thee kindness because of Jonathan thy father, and have given back to thee all the field of Saul thy father, and thou dost eat bread at my table continually.`
- 8 And he bowed himself, and said, What is thy servant, that thou shouldst look upon such a dead dog as I am?
And he bowed himself, and said, What is thy servant, that thou shouldst look upon such a dead dog as I am?
And he boweth himself, and saith, `What [is] thy servant, that thou hast turned unto the dead dog -- such as I?`
- 9 Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said to him, I have given to thy master's son all that pertained to Saul, and to all his house.
Then the king called Ziba, Saul`s servant, and said to him, I have given to thy master`s son all that belonged to Saul and to all his house.
And the king calleth unto Ziba servant of Saul, and saith unto him, `All that was to Saul and to all his house, I have given to the son of thy lord,
- 10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in the fruits, that thy master's son may have food eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son shall eat bread always at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.
And thou, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in [the fruits], that thy master`s son may have food to eat. And Mephibosheth thy master`s son shall eat bread at my table continually. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.
and thou hast served for him the land, thou and thy sons, and thy servants, and hast brought in, and there hath been to the son of thy lord bread, and he hath eaten it; and Mephibosheth son of thy lord doth eat continually bread at my table;` and Ziba hath fifteen sons and twenty servants.
- 11 Then said Ziba to the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, said the king, he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons.
And Ziba said to the king, According to all that my lord the king has commanded his servant, so will thy servant do. And Mephibosheth [said David] shall eat at my table, as one of the king`s sons.
And Ziba saith unto the king, `According to all that my lord the king commandeth his servant, so doth thy servant;` as to Mephibosheth, `he is eating at my table ([saith the king]) as one of the sons of the king.`
- 12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Micah. And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba were servants to Mephibosheth.
And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Mica. And all who dwelt in the house of Ziba were servants to Mephibosheth.
And Mephibosheth hath a young son, and his name [is] Micha, and every one dwelling in the house of Ziba [are] servants to Mephibosheth.
- 13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he ate continually at the king's table; and was lame in both his feet.
So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem; for he did eat continually at the king`s table. And he was lame on both his feet.
And Mephibosheth is dwelling in Jerusalem, for at the table of the king he is eating continually, and he [is] lame of his two feet.
- 1 And it came to pass after this, that the king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.
And it came to pass after this that the king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.
And it cometh to pass afterwards, that the king of the Bene-Ammon dieth, and Hanun his son reigneth in his stead,

- 2 Then said David, I will show kindness to Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father showed kindness to me. And David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.
And David said, I will shew kindness to Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father shewed kindness to me. And David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.
and David saith, `I do kindness with Hanun son of Nahash, as his father did with me kindness;` and David sendeth to comfort him by the hand of his servants concerning his father, and the servants of David come in to the land of the Bene-Ammon.
- 3 And the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun their lord, Thinkest thou that David doth honor thy father, that he hath sent comforter to thee? hath not David rather sent his servants to thee, to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?
And the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun their lord, Is it, in thine eyes, to honour thy father that David has sent comforters to thee? Is it not to search the city and to spy it out, and to overthrow it, that David has sent his servants to thee?
And the heads of the Bene-Ammon say unto Hanun their lord, `Is David honouring thy father in thine eyes because he hath sent to thee comforters? for to search the city, and to spy it, and to overthrow it, hath not David sent his servants unto thee?`
- 4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, even to their buttocks, and sent them away.
And Hanun took David's servants, and had the one half of their beards shaved off, and their raiment cut off in the midst, as far as their buttock and sent them away.
And Hanun taketh the servants of David, and shaveth off the half of their beard, and cutteth off their long robes in the midst -- unto their buttock and sendeth them away;
- 5 When they told it to David, he sent to meet them, because the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards are grown, and then return.
And they told [it] to David; and he sent to meet them, for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Abide at Jericho until your beards grown, and then return.
and they declare [it] to David, and he sendeth to meet them, for the men have been greatly ashamed, and the king saith, `Abide in Jericho till your beard doth spring up -- then ye have returned.`
- 6 And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves odious before David, the children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth-rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand men, and of Ish-tob twelve thousand men.
And the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves odious to David; and the children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth Rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and the king of Maacah [with] a thousand men, and the men of Tob twelve thousand men.
And the Bene-Ammon see that they have been despised by David, and the Bene-Ammon send and hire Aram of Beth-Rehob, and Aram of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and the king of Maacah [with] a thousand men, and Ish-Tob [with] twelve thousand men;
- 7 And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.
And David heard [of it], and he sent Joab, and all the host, the mighty men.
and David heareth, and sendeth Joab, and all the host -- the mighty men.

- 8** And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entrance of the gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and Ish-tob and Maacah, were by themselves in the field.
And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entrance of the gate; and the Syrians of Zoba and of Rehob, and the men of Tob and Maacah were by themselves in the field.
And the Bene-Ammon come out, and set battle in array, at the opening of the gate, and Aram of Zoba, and Rehob, and Ish-Tob, and Maacah, [are] by themselves in the field;
- 9** When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind, he selected of all the choice men of Israel, and put them in array against the Syrians:
And Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind; and he chose out of all the choice men of Israel, and put them in array against the Syrians;
and Joab seeth that the front of the battle hath been unto him before and behind, and he chooseth of all the chosen in Israel, and setteth in array meet Aram,
- 10** And the rest of the people he delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he might put them in array against the children of Ammon. and the rest of the people he gave into the hand of Abishai his brother that he might array them against the children of Ammon. and the rest of the people he hath given into the hand of Abishai his brother, and setteth in array to meet the Bene-Ammon.
- 11** And he said, If the Syrians shall be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon shall be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.
And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me; and if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.
And he saith, `If Aram be stronger than I, then thou hast been to me for salvation, and if the Bene-Ammon be stronger than thou, then I have come to give salvation to thee;
- 12** Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God: and Yahweh do that which seemeth him good. Be strong, and let us shew ourselves valiant for our people and for the cities of our God; and Yahweh do what is good in his sight. be strong and strengthen thyself for our people, and for the cities of our God, and Yahweh doth that which is good in His eyes.`
- 13** And Joab and the people that were with him drew near to the battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him.
And Joab drew near, and the people that were with him, unto the battle against the Syrians; and they fled before him.
And Joab draweth nigh, and the people who [are] with him, to battle against Aram, and they flee from his presence;
- 14** And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians had fled, then fled they also before Abishai, and entered into the city. So Joab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem.
And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians fled, they fled before Abishai, and entered into the city. And Joab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem.
and the Bene-Ammon have seen that Aram hath fled, and they flee from the presence of Abishai, and go in to the city; and Joab turneth back from the Bene-Ammon, and cometh in to Jerusalem.

- 15** And when the Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel, they assembled themselves.
And when the Syrians saw that they were routed before Israel, they gathered themselves together.
And Aram seeth that it is smitten before Israel, and they are gathered together;
- 16** And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that were beyond the river: and they came to Helam; and Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer went before them.
And Hadarezer sent, and drew forth the Syrians that were beyond the river; and they came to Helam; and Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer [went] before them.
and Hadadezer sendeth, and bringeth out Aram which [is] beyond the River, and they come in to Helam, and Shobach head of the host of Hadadezer [is] before them.
- 17** And when it was told David, he assembled all Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought with him.
And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over the Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought with him.
And it is declared to David, and he gathereth all Israel, and passeth over the Jordan, and cometh in to Helam, and Aram setteth itself in array to meet David, and they fight with him;
- 18** And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew the men of seven hundred chariots of the Syrians, and forty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host, who died there.
And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians seven hundred [in] chariots, and forty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host, who died there.
and Aram fleeth from the presence of Israel, and David slayeth of Aram seven hundred charioteers, and forty thousand horsemen, and Shobach head of its host he hath smitten, and he dieth there.
- 19** And when all the kings that were servants to Hadarezer saw that they were smitten before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and served them. So the Syrians feared to help the children of Ammon any more.
And all the kings that were servants to Hadarezer saw that they were routed before Israel, and they made peace with Israel, and served them.
And the Syrians feared to help the children of Ammon any more.
And all the kings -- servants of Hadadezer -- see that they have been smitten before Israel, and make peace with Israel, and serve them; and Aram is afraid to help any more the Bene-Ammon.
- 1** And it came to pass, after the year had expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and destroyed Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.
And it came to pass, at the return of the year, at the time when kings go forth, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they laid waste the [land of the] children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David abode at Jerusalem.
And it cometh to pass, at the revolution of the year -- at the time of the going out of the messengers -- that David sendeth Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel, and they destroy the Bene-Ammon, and lay siege against Rabbah. And David is dwelling in Jerusalem,

- 2 And it came to pass in an evening, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon.
And it came to pass at evening time that David arose from off his couch, and walked upon the roof of the king`s house; and from the roof he saw woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful;
and it cometh to pass, at evening-time, that David riseth from off his couch, and walketh up and down on the roof of the king`s house, and seeth from the roof a woman bathing, and the woman [is] of very good appearance,
- 3 And David sent and inquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bath-sheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?
and David sent and inquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Urijah the Hittite?
and David sendeth and inquireth about the woman, and saith, `Is not this Bath-Sheba, daughter of Eliam, wife of Uriah the Hittite?`
- 4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in to him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned to her house.
And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in to him, and he lay with her; and she had purified herself from her uncleanness; and she returned to her house.
And David sendeth messengers, and taketh her, and she cometh unto him, and he lieth with her -- and she is purifying herself from her uncleanness -- and she turneth back unto her house;
- 5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.
And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.
and the woman conceiveth, and sendeth, and declareth to David, and saith, `I [am] conceiving.`
- 6 And David sent to Joab, saying, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David.
And David sent to Joab [saying], Send me Urijah the Hittite. And Joab sent Urijah to David.
And David sendeth unto Joab, `Send unto me Uriah the Hittite,` and Joab sendeth Uriah unto David;
- 7 And when Uriah had come to him, David inquired of him how Joab did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered.
And when Urijah had come to him, David asked how Joab prospered, and how the people prospered, and how the war prospered.
and Uriah cometh unto him, and David asketh of the prosperity of Joab, and of the prosperity of the people, and of the prosperity of the war.
- 8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess of meat from the king.
And David said to Urijah, Go down to thy house and wash thy feet. And Urijah departed out of the king`s house, and there followed him presen from the king.
And David saith to Uriah, `Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet;` and Uriah goeth out of the king`s house, and there goeth out after him a gi from the king,
- 9 But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.
And Urijah slept at the entrance of the king`s house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.
and Uriah lieth down at the opening of the king`s house, with all the servants of his lord, and hath not gone down unto his house.

- 10** And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down to his house, David said to Uriah, Camest thou not from thy journey? why then didst thou not go down to thy house?
And they had told David saying, Urijah did not go down to his house; and David said to Urijah, Art thou not come from a journey? why didst thou not go down to thy house?
And they declare to David, saying, `Uriah hath not gone down unto his house;` and David saith unto Uriah, `Hast thou not come from a journey? wherefore hast thou not gone down unto thy house?`
- 11** And Uriah said to David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.
And Urijah said to David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah abide in booths; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields: shall I then go into my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? [As] thou livest, and [as] thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.
And Uriah saith unto David, `The ark, and Israel, and Judah, are abiding in booths, and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, on the face of the field are encamping; and I -- I go in unto my house to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife! -- thy life, and the life of thy soul -- if I do this thing.`
- 12** And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to-day also, and to-morrow I will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day and the morrow.
And David said to Urijah, Abide here to-day also, and to-morrow I will let thee depart. And Urijah abode in Jerusalem that day and the morrow.
And David saith unto Uriah, `Abide in this [place] also to-day, and to-morrow I send thee away;` and Uriah abideth in Jerusalem, on that day, and on the morrow,
- 13** And when David had called him, he ate and drank before him; and he made him drunk: and at evening he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.
And David invited him, and he ate and drank before him; and he made him drunk. And in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but did not go down to his house.
and David calleth for him, and he eateth before him, and drinketh, and he causeth him to drink, and he goeth out in the evening to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, and unto his house he hath not gone down.
- 14** And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah.
And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by Urijah.
And it cometh to pass in the morning, that David writeth a letter unto Joab, and sendeth by the hand of Uriah;
- 15** And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the front of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.
And he wrote in the letter saying, Set Urijah in the front of the thickest fight, and withdraw from him, that he may be smitten and die.
and he writeth in the letter, saying, `Place ye Uriah over-against the front of the severest battle, and ye have turned back from after him, and he hath been smitten, and hath died.`
- 16** And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah to a place where he knew that valiant men were.
And it came to pass as Joab watched the city, that he assigned Urijah to a place where he knew that the valiant men were.
And it cometh to pass in Joab`s watching of the city, that he appointeth Uriah unto the place where he knew that valiant men [are];

- 17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also.
And the men of the city went out and fought with Joab; and there fell some of the people, of the servants of David; and Urijah the Hittite died also.
and the men of the city go out and fight with Joab, and there fall [some] of the people, of the servants of David; and there dieth also Uriah the Hittite.
- 18 Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;
Then Joab sent and told David all the matters of the war;
And Joab sendeth and declareth to David all the matters of the war,
- 19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war to the king,
and charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast ended telling the matters of the war to the king,
and commandeth the messenger, saying, `At thy finishing all the matters of the war to speak unto the king,
- 20 And if the king's wrath shall rise, and he shall say to thee, Why approached ye so nigh to the city for the fight? knew ye not that they would shoo from the wall?
and if so be that the king`s wrath arise, and he say to thee, Why did ye go so near to the city to fight? did ye not know that they would shoot from the wall?
then, it hath been, if the king`s fury ascend, and he hath said to thee, Wherefore did ye draw nigh unto the city to fight? did ye not know that the shoot from off the wall?
- 21 Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.
Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast the upper stone of a handmill from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why did ye go near the wall? -- then say thou, Thy servant Urijah the Hittite is dead also.
Who smote Abimelech son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast on him a piece of a rider from the wall, and he dieth in Thebez? why drew ye nigh unto the wall? that thou hast said, Also thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead.`
- 22 So the messenger went, and came and showed David all that Joab had sent him for.
And the messenger went; and he came and told David all that Joab had sent him for.
And the messenger goeth, and cometh in, and declareth to David all that with which Joab sent him,
- 23 And the messenger said to David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out to us into the field, and we were upon them even to the entrance of the gate.
And the messenger said to David, The men prevailed against us, and came out against us into the field, and we were upon them as far as the entrance of the gate.
and the messenger saith unto David, `Surely the men have been mighty against us, and come out unto us into the field, and we are upon them unto the opening of the gate,

- 24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants: and some of the king's servants are dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.
 And the shooters shot from upon the wall against thy servants; and some of the king`s servants are dead, and thy servant Urijah the Hittite is dead also.
 and those shooting shoot at thy servants from off the wall, and [some] of the servants of the king are dead, and also, thy servant Uriah the Hittite dead.
- 25 Then David said to the messenger, Thus shalt thou say to Joab, Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword devoureth one as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.
 Then David said to the messenger, Thus shalt thou say to Joab: Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword devours one as well as another: make thy battle strong against the city, and overthrow it; -- and encourage him.
 And David saith unto the messenger, `Thus dost thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing be evil in thine eyes; for thus and thus doth the sword devour; strengthen thy warfare against the city, and throw it down -- and strengthen thou him.`
- 26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.
 And the wife of Urijah heard that Urijah her husband was dead, and she mourned for her husband.
 And the wife of Uriah heareth that Uriah her husband [is] dead, and lamenteth for her lord;
- 27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased Yahweh.
 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done was evil in the sight of Yahweh.
 and the mourning passeth by, and David sendeth and gathereth her unto his house, and she is to him for a wife, and beareth to him a son; and the thing which David hath done is evil in the eyes of Yahweh.
- 1 And Yahweh sent Nathan to David. And he came to him, and said to him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.
 And Yahweh sent Nathan to David. And he came to him, and said to him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.
 And Yahweh sendeth Nathan unto David, and he cometh unto him, and saith to him: `Two men have been in one city; One rich and one poor;
- 2 The rich man had very numerous flocks and herds:
 The rich had very many flocks and herds;
 The rich hath flocks and herds very many;
- 3 But the poor man had nothing save one little ewe-lamb, which he had bought and nourished: and it grew up together with him, and with his children: it fed of his own meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was to him as a daughter.
 but the poor man had nothing at all, but one little ewe lamb which he had bought, and was nourishing; and it grew up with him, and together with his children: it ate of his morsel, and drank of his own cup, and slept in his bosom, and was to him as a daughter.
 And the poor one hath nothing, Except one little ewe-lamb, Which he hath bought, and keepeth alive, And it groweth up with him, And with his sons together; Of his morsel it eateth, And from his cup it drinketh, And in his bosom it lieth, And it is to him as a daughter;

- 4 And there came a traveler to the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the way-faring man that had come to him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that had come to him.
And there came a traveller to the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that had come to him; and he took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that had come to him.
And there cometh a traveller to the rich man, And he spareth to take Of his own flock, and of his own herd, To prepare for the traveller Who ha come to him, And he taketh the ewe-lamb of the poor man, And prepareth it for the man Who hath come unto him.`
- 5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As Yahweh liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die:
Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As Yahweh liveth, the man that hath done this thing is worthy death;
And the anger of David burneth against the man exceedingly, and he saith unto Nathan, `Yahweh liveth, surely a son of death [is] the man who is doing this,
- 6 And he shall restore the lamb four-fold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.
and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.
and the ewe-lamb he doth repay fourfold, because that he hath done this thing, and because that he had no pity.`
- 7 And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith Yahweh God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee from the hand of Saul;
And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man! Thus saith Yahweh the God of Israel: I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;
And Nathan saith unto David, `Thou [art] the man! Thus said Yahweh, God of Israel, I anointed thee for king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;
- 8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given to thee such and such things.
and I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if [that] had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.
and I give to thee the house of thy lord, and the wives of thy lord, into thy bosom, and I give to thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if little, then I add to thee such and such [things].
- 9 Why hast thou despised the commandment of Yahweh, to do evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.
Wherefore hast thou despised the word of Yahweh to do evil in his sight? thou hast smitten Urijah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.
`Wherefore hast thou despised the word of Yahweh, to do the evil thing in His eyes? Uriah the Hittite thou hast smitten by the sword, and his wife thou hast taken to thee for a wife, and him thou hast slain by the sword of the Bene-Ammon.

- 10** Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thy house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.
Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thy house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Urijah the Hittite to be t wife.
`And now, the sword doth not turn aside from thy house unto the age, because thou hast despised Me, and dost take the wife of Uriah the Hittite be to thee for a wife;
- 11** Thus saith Yahweh, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thy own house, and I will take thy wives before thy eyes, and give them to thy neighbor, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.
Thus saith Yahweh: Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.
thus said Yahweh, Lo, I am raising up against thee evil, out of thy house, and have taken thy wives before thine eyes, and given to thy neighbour, and he hath lain with thy wives before the eyes of this sun;
- 12** For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.
For thou didst [it] secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel and before the sun.
for thou hast done [it] in secret, and I do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.`
- 13** And David said to Nathan, I have sinned against Yahweh. And Nathan said to David, Yahweh also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.
And David said to Nathan, I have sinned against Yahweh. And Nathan said to David, Yahweh has also put away thy sin: thou shalt not die.
And David saith unto Nathan, `I have sinned against Yahweh.` And Nathan saith unto David, `Also -- Yahweh hath caused thy sin to pass away; thou dost not die;
- 14** But, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of Yahweh to blaspheme, the child also that is born to thee shall surely die.
Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of Yahweh to blaspheme, even the child that is born to thee shall certainly die.
only, because thou hast caused the enemies of Yahweh greatly to despise by this thing, also the son who is born to thee doth surely die.`
- 15** And Nathan departed to his house. And Yahweh struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and it was very sick.
And Nathan departed to his house. And Yahweh smote the child that Urijah`s wife bore to David, and it became very sick.
And Nathan goeth unto his house, and Yahweh smiteth the lad, whom the wife of Uriah hath born to David, and it is incurable;
- 16** David therefore besought God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.
And David besought God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night on the earth.
and David seeketh God for the youth, and David keepeth a fast, and hath gone in and lodged, and lain on the earth.
- 17** And the elders of his house arose, and went to him, to raise him from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.
And the elders of his house arose, [and went] to him, to raise him up from the earth; but he would not, and he ate no bread with them.
And the elders of his house rise against him, to raise him up from the earth, and he hath not been willing, nor hath he eaten with them bread;

- 18** And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he would not hearken to our voice: how will he then be grieved, if we tell him that the child is dead?
And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead; for they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he would not hearken to our voice; and how shall we say to him, The child is dead? I may do some harm.
and it cometh to pass on the seventh day, that the lad dieth, and the servants of David fear to declare to him that the lad is dead, for they said, `L in the lad being alive we spake unto him, and he did not hearken to our voice; and how do we say unto him, The lad is dead? -- then he hath done evil.`
- 19** But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead: therefore David said to his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.
But David saw that his servants whispered, and David perceived that the child was dead; and David said to his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.
And David seeth that his servants are whispering, and David understandeth that the lad is dead, and David saith unto his servants, `Is the lad dead?' and they say, `Dead.`
- 20** Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of Yahweh, and worshipped; then he came to his own house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he ate.
Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his clothing, and entered into the house of Yahweh and worshipped; then he came to his own house and required them to set bread before him, and he ate.
And David riseth from the earth, and doth bathe and anoint [himself], and changeth his raiment, and cometh in to the house of Yahweh, and boweth himself, and cometh unto his house, and asketh and they place for him bread, and he eateth.
- 21** Then said his servants to him, What thing is this that thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, while it was alive; but after the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.
And his servants said to him, What thing is this which thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child alive; but as soon as the child is dead, thou dost rise and eat bread.
And his servants say unto him, `What [is] this thing thou hast done? because of the living lad thou hast fasted and dost weep, and when the lad is dead thou hast risen and dost eat bread.`
- 22** And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted, and wept: for I said, Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live.
And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept; for I thought, Who knows? [perhaps] Yahweh will be gracious to me, that the child may live.
And he saith, `While the lad is alive I have fasted, and weep, for I said, Who knoweth? -- Yahweh doth pity me, and the lad hath lived;
- 23** But now he is dead, Why should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me.
But now he is dead, why should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me.
and now, he hath died, why [is] this -- I fast? am I able to bring him back again? I am going unto him, and he doth not turn back unto me.`

- 24 And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in to her, and lay with her: and she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon: and Yahwe loved him.
And David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in to her and lay with her; and she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon; and Yahwe loved him.
And David comforteth Bath-Sheba his wife, and goeth in unto her, and lieth with her, and she beareth a son, and he calleth his name Solomon; a Yahweh hath loved him,
- 25 And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name Jedidiah, because of Yahweh.
And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name Jedidiah, for Yahweh`s sake.
and sendeth by the hand of Nathan the prophet, and calleth his name Jedidiah, because of Yahweh.
- 26 And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.
And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.
And Joab fighteth against Rabbah of the Bene-Ammon, and captureth the royal city,
- 27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.
And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.
and Joab sendeth messengers unto David, and saith, `I have fought against Rabbah -- also I have captured the city of waters;
- 28 Now therefore collect the rest of the people, and encamp against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, and it be called after my name.
And now gather the rest of the people, and encamp against the city and take it: lest I take the city and it be called by my name.
and now, gather the rest of the people, and encamp against the city, and capture it, lest I capture the city, and my name hath been called upon it.
- 29 And David collected all the people, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it.
And David gathered all the people, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it and took it.
And David gathereth all the people, and goeth to Rabbah, and fighteth against it, and captureth it;
- 30 And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight of which was a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was set on David's head.
And he brought forth the spoil of the city in great abundance.
And he took the crown of their king from off his head, the weight of which was a talent of gold with [the] precious stones; and it was [set] on David's head; and he brought forth the spoil of the city in great abundance.
and he taketh the crown of their king from off his head, and its weight [is] a talent of gold, and precious stones, and it is on the head of David; and the spoil of the city he hath brought out, very much;
- 31 And he brought forth the people that were in it, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brick-kiln: and thus he did to all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.
And he brought out the people that were in it, and put them under the saw, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkilns. And so did he to all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.
and the people who [are] in it he hath brought out, and setteth to the saw, and to cutting instruments of iron, and to axes of iron, and hath caused them to pass over into the brick-kiln; and so he doth to all the cities of the Bene-Ammon; and David turneth back, and all the people, to Jerusalem.

- 1** And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.
And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David having a beautiful sister, whose name was Tamar, Amnon the son of David loved her.
And it cometh to pass afterwards that Absalom son of David hath a fair sister, and her name [is] Tamar, and Amnon son of David loveth her.
- 2** And Amnon was so afflicted, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.
And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and it seemed difficult for Amnon to do the least thing to her.
And Amnon hath distress -- even to become sick, because of Tamar his sister, for she [is] a virgin, and it is hard in the eyes of Amnon to do anything to her.
- 3** But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very subtil man.
And Amnon had a friend whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother; and Jonadab was a very shrewd man.
And Amnon hath a friend, and his name [is] Jonadab, son of Shimeah, David's brother, and Jonadab [is] a very wise man,
- 4** And he said to him, Why art thou, being the king's son, pining from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said to him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.
And he said to him, Why dost thou, the king's son, get thinner from morning to morning? Wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said to him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.
and saith to him, `Wherefore [art] thou thus lean, O king's son, morning by morning? dost thou not declare to me?` And Amnon saith to him, `Tamar -- sister of Absalom my brother -- I am loving.`
- 5** And Jonadab said to him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say to him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me food, and dress the food in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.
And Jonadab said to him, Lay thee down on thy bed and feign thyself sick; and when thy father comes to see thee, say to him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me food, and dress the food in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it from her hand.
And Jonadab saith to him, `Lie down on thy couch, and feign thyself sick, and thy father hath come in to see thee, and thou hast said unto him, `Let, I pray thee, Tamar my sister come in and give me bread to eat; and she hath made the food before mine eyes so that I see [it], and have eaten from her hand.`
- 6** So Amnon lay down and made himself sick: and when the king came to see him, Amnon said to the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make for me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
So Amnon lay down and feigned himself sick; and the king came to see him, and Amnon said to the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat from her hand.
And Amnon lieth down, and feigneth himself sick, and the king cometh in to see him, and Amnon saith unto the king, `Let, I pray thee, Tamar my sister come, and she maketh before mine eyes two cakes, and I eat from her hand.`
- 7** Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress meat for him.
And David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go, I pray thee, to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him food.
And David sendeth unto Tamar, to the house, saying, `Go, I pray thee, to the house of Amnon thy brother, and make for him food.`

- 8** So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took flour, and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and baked the cakes.
And Tamar went to her brother Amnon`s house; and he had lain down. And she took flour and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and baked the cakes.
And Tamar goeth to the house of Amnon her brother, and he is lying down, and she taketh the dough, and kneadeth, and maketh cakes before his eyes, and cooketh the cakes,
- 9** And she took a pan, and poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.
And she took the pan, and poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Put every man out from me. And they went out every man from him.
and taketh the frying-pan, and poureth out before him, and he refuseth to eat, and Amnon saith, `Take ye out every one from me;` and they go out every one from him.
- 10** And Amnon said to Tamar, Bring the food into the chamber, that I may eat from thy hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.
And Amnon said to Tamar, Bring the dish into the chamber, that I may eat of thy hand. And Tamar took the cakes that she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.
And Amnon saith unto Tamar, `Bring the food into the inner chamber, and I eat from thy hand;` and Tamar taketh the cakes that she hath made and bringeth in to Amnon her brother, into the inner chamber,
- 11** And when she had brought them to him to eat, he took hold of her, and said to her, Come, lie with me, my sister.
And she presented them to him to eat; and he took hold of her, and said to her, Come, lie with me, my sister.
and she bringeth nigh unto him to eat, and he layeth hold on her, and saith to her, `Come, lie with me, my sister.`
- 12** And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.
And she said to him, No, my brother, do not humble me; for no such thing is done in Israel: do not this infamy.
And she saith to him, `Nay, my brother, do not humble me, for it is not done so in Israel; do not this folly.
- 13** And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou wilt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak to the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.
And I, whither shall I carry my reproach? and thou wouldest be as one of the infamous in Israel. And now, I pray thee, speak to the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.
And I -- whither do I cause my reproach to go? and thou -- thou art as one of the fools in Israel; and now, speak, I pray thee, unto the king; for he doth not withhold me from thee.`
- 14** Howbeit, he would not hearken to her voice: but being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.
But he would not hearken to her voice, and was stronger than she, and humbled her and lay with her.
And he hath not been willing to hearken to her voice, and is stronger than she, and humbleth her, and lieth with her.

- 15** Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had loved her. And Amnon said to her, Arise, be gone.
And Amnon hated her with an exceeding great hatred, for the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had love her. And Amnon said to her, Arise, be gone.
And Amnon hateth her -- a very great hatred -- that greater [is] the hatred with which he hath hated her than the love with which he loved her, and Amnon saith to her, `Rise, go.`
- 16** And she said to him, There is no cause: this evil in sending me away is greater than the other that thou didst to me. But he would not hearken to her.
And she said to him, There is no cause for this evil in sending me away, [which] is greater than the other that thou didst to me. But he would no hearken to her.
And she saith to him, `Because of the circumstances this evil is greater than the other that thou hast done with me -- to send me away;` and he ha not been willing to hearken to her,
- 17** Then he called his servant that ministered to him, and said, Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her.
Then he called his young man that attended upon him, and said, Put now this [woman] out from me, and bolt the door after her.
and calleth his young man, his servant, and saith, `Send away, I pray thee, this one from me without, and bolt the door after her;`
- 18** And she had a garment of divers colors upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters that were virgins appareled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.
Now she had a vest of many colours upon her; for so were the king`s daughters that were virgins apparelled. And his attendant brought her out and bolted the door after her.
-- and upon her [is] a long coat, for such upper robes do daughters of the king who [are] virgins put on, -- and his servant taketh her out without, and hath bolted the door after her.
- 19** And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colors that was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.
And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her vest of many colours which was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went away, crying out as she went.
And Tamar taketh ashes for her head, and the long coat that [is] on her she hath rent, and putteth her hand on her head, and goeth, going on and crying;
- 20** And Absalom her brother said to her, Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother; regard not this thing. So Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house.
And Absalom her brother said to her, Has Amnon thy brother been with thee? and now, my sister, be still: he is thy brother; take not this thing to heart. And Tamar remained, and [that] desolate, in her brother Absalom`s house.
and Absalom her brother saith unto her, `Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? and now, my sister, keep silent, he [is] thy brother; set not th heart to this thing;` and Tamar dwelleth -- but desolate -- in the house of Absalom her brother.

- 21** But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.
And king David heard of all these things, and he was very angry.
And king David hath heard all these things, and it is very displeasing to him;
- 22** And Absalom spoke to his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.
And Absalom spoke to Amnon neither good nor bad; for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had humbled his sister Tamar.
and Absalom hath not spoken with Amnon either evil or good, for Absalom is hating Amnon, because that he humbled Tamar his sister.
- 23** And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheep-shearers in Baal-hazor, which is beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.
And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-Hazor, which is beside Ephraim; and Absalom invited all the king's sons.
And it cometh to pass, after two years of days, that Absalom hath shearers in Baal-Hazor, which [is] with Ephraim, and Absalom calleth for all the sons of the king.
- 24** And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheep-shearers; let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant.
And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold, now, thy servant has sheepshearers; let the king, I pray thee, and his servants go with thy servant.
And Absalom cometh unto the king, and saith, `Lo, I pray thee, thy servant hath shearers, let the king go, I pray thee, and his servants, with thy servant.`
- 25** And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be chargeable to thee. And he pressed him: yet he would not go, but blessed him.
And the king said to Absalom, No, my son, let us not all go, lest we be burdensome to thee. And he urged him, but he would not go; and he blessed him.
And the king saith unto Absalom, `Nay, my son, let us not all go, I pray thee, and we are not too heavy on thee;` and he presseth on him, and he hath not been willing to go, and he blesseth him.
- 26** Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said to him, Why should he go with thee?
And Absalom said, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said to him, Why should he go with thee?
And Absalom saith, `If not -- let, I pray thee, Amnon my brother go with us;` and the king saith to him, `Why doth he go with thee?`
- 27** But Absalom pressed him that he should let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.
But Absalom pressed him; and he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.
and Absalom urgeth on him, and he sendeth with him Amnon, and all the sons of the king.

- 28** Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say to you, Smite Amnon then kill him, fear not: have I not commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant.
And Absalom commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say to you, Smite Amnon; th slay him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant.
And Absalom commandeth his young men, saying, `See, I pray thee, when the heart of Amnon [is] glad with wine, and I have said unto you, Smit Amnon, that ye have put him to death; fear not; is it not because I have commanded you? be strong, yea, become sons of valour.`
- 29** And the servants of Absalom did to Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man rode upon his mule, and fled.
And the servants of Absalom did to Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and they rode each upon his mule and fled.
And the young men of Absalom do to Amnon as Absalom commanded, and rise do all the sons of the king, and they ride, each on his mule, and fl
- 30** And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that information came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left.
And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying, Absalom has smitten all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left.
And it cometh to pass -- they [are] in the way -- and the report hath come unto David, saying, `Absalom hath smitten all the sons of the king, and there is not left of them one;`
- 31** Then the king arose, and tore his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent.
Then the king arose, and rent his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their garments rent.
and the king riseth, and rendeth his garments, and lieth on the earth, and all his servants are standing by [with] rent garments.
- 32** And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose that they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for by the appointment of Absalom this hath been determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.
And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose that they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead; for by the appointment of Absalom this has been determined from the day that he humbled his sister Tamar.
And Jonadab son of Shimeah, David's brother, answereth and saith, `Let not my lord say, The whole of the young men, the sons of the king, they have put to death; for Amnon alone [is] dead, for by the command of Absalom it hath been appointed from the day of his humbling Tamar his sister;
- 33** Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead.
And now let not my lord the king take the thing to heart, to say, All the king's sons are dead; for Amnon only is dead.
and now, let not my lord the king lay unto his heart the word, saying, All the sons of the king have died, for Amnon alone [is] dead.`

- 34** But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, there came many people by the way of the hillside behind him.
And Absalom fled. And the young man that watched lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, there came much people from the way behind him from the hill-side.
And Absalom fleeth, and the young man who is watching lifteth up his eyes and looketh, and lo, much people are coming by the way behind him, on the side of the hill.
- 35** And Jonadab said to the king, Behold, the king's sons come; as thy servant said, so it is.
And Jonadab said to the king, Behold, the king's sons come: as thy servant said, so it is.
And Jonadab saith unto the king, `Lo, the sons of the king have come; as the word of thy servant, so it hath been.`
- 36** And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept exceedingly.
And as soon as he had ended speaking, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept; and the king also and all his servants wept very bitterly.
And it cometh to pass at his finishing to speak, that lo, the sons of the king have come, and they lift up their voice, and weep, and also the king and all his servants have wept -- a very great weeping.
- 37** But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And David mourned for his son every day.
And Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And [David] mourned for his son every day.
And Absalom hath fled, and goeth unto Talmai, son of Ammihud, king of Geshur, and [David] mourneth for his son all the days.
- 38** So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.
Now Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.
And Absalom hath fled, and goeth to Geshur, and is there three years;
- 39** And the soul of king David longed to go forth to Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.
And king David longed to go forth to Absalom; for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.
and [the soul of] king David determineth to go out unto Absalom, for he hath been comforted for Amnon, for [he is] dead.
- 1** Now Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart was towards Absalom.
And Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart was toward Absalom.
And Joab son of Zeruiah knoweth that the heart of the king [is] on Absalom,
- 2** And Joab sent to Tekoah, and brought thence a wise woman, and said to her, I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:
And Joab sent to Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and said to her, I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on mourning garments, I pray, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a woman that hath a long time mourned for the dead;
and Joab sendeth to Tekoah, and taketh thence a wise woman, and saith unto her, `Feign thyself a mourner, I pray thee, and put on, I pray thee, garments of mourning, and anoint not thyself with oil, and thou hast been as a woman these many days mourning for the dead,

- 3 And come to the king, and speak in this manner to him. So Joab put the words in her mouth.
and come to the king, and speak after this manner to him. And Joab put the words into her mouth.
and thou hast gone unto the king, and spoken unto him, according to this word;` and Joab putteth the words into her mouth.
- 4 And when the woman of Tekoah spoke to the king, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, Help, O king.
And the woman of Tekoah spoke to the king, and she fell on her face to the ground and did obeisance, and said, Save, O king!
And the woman of Tekoah speaketh unto the king, and falleth on her face to the earth, and doth obeisance, and saith, `Save, O king.`
- 5 And the king said to her, What aileth thee? And she answered, I am indeed a widow woman, and my husband is dead.
And the king said to her, What aileth thee? And she said, I am indeed a widow woman, and my husband is dead.
And the king saith to her, `What -- to thee?` and she saith, `Truly a widow woman [am] I, and my husband dieth,
- 6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and there was none to part them, but the one smote the other and slew him.
And thy bondmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and there was none to part them, but the one smote the other and slew him.
and thy maid-servant hath two sons; and they strive both of them in a field, and there is no deliverer between them, and the one smiteth the other and putteth him to death;
- 7 And behold, the whole family hath risen against thy handmaid, and they said, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew; and we will destroy the heir also: and so they will quench my coal which is left, and will not leave to my husband neither name nor remainder upon the earth.
And behold, the whole family is risen against thy bondmaid, and they say, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may put him to death, for the life of his brother whom he killed; and we will destroy the heir also: so they will quench my coal which is left, and will not leave to my husband a name or remnant on the earth.
and lo, the whole family hath risen against thy maid-servant, and say, Give up him who smiteth his brother, and we put him to death for the life of his brother whom he hath slain, and we destroy also the heir; and they have quenched my coal which is left -- so as not to set to my husband a name and remnant on the face of the ground.`
- 8 And the king said to the woman, Go to thy house, and I will give charge concerning thee.
And the king said to the woman, Go to thy house, and I will give charge concerning thee.
And the king saith unto the woman, `Go to thine house, and I give charge concerning thee.`
- 9 And the woman of Tekoah said to the king, My lord, O king, the iniquity be on me, and on my father's house: and the king and his throne be guiltless.
And the woman of Tekoah said to the king, Upon me, my lord, O king, be the iniquity, and upon my father's house; and the king and his throne be guiltless.
And the woman of Tekoah saith unto the king, `On me, my lord, O king, [is] the iniquity, and on the house of my father; and the king and his throne [are] innocent.`

- 10** And the king said, Whoever saith aught to thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more.
And the king said, Whoever speaks to thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more.
And the king saith, `He who speaketh [aught] unto thee, and thou hast brought him unto me, then he doth not add any more to come against thee`
- 11** Then said she, I pray thee, let the king remember Yahweh thy God, that thou wouldest not suffer the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, As Yahweh liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.
Then she said, I pray thee, let the king remember Yahweh thy God, that thou wouldest not suffer the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they cut off my son. And he said, [As] Yahweh liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.
And she saith, `Let, I pray thee, the king remember by Yahweh thy God, that the redeemer of blood add not to destroy, and they destroy not my son;` and he saith, `Yahweh liveth; if there doth fall of the hair of thy son to the earth.`
- 12** Then the woman said, Let thy handmaid, I pray thee, speak one word to my lord the king. And he said, Say on.
And the woman said, Let thy bondmaid, I pray thee, speak a word to my lord the king. And he said, Speak.
And the woman saith, `Let, I pray thee, thy maid-servant speak unto my lord the king a word;` and he saith, `Speak.`
- 13** And the woman said, Why then hast thou thought such a thing against the people of God? for the king doth speak this thing as one who is faulty, that the king doth not bring home again his banished.
And the woman said, Why then hast thou thought such a thing against God`s people? and the king in saying this thing, is as one guilty, in that the king does not bring back his banished one.
And the woman saith, `And why hast thou thought thus concerning the people of God? yea, the king is speaking this thing as a guilty one, in that the king hath not brought back his outcast;
- 14** For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth God respect any person: yet doth he devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him.
For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; and God has not taken away his life, but devises means that the banished one be not expelled from him.
for we do surely die, and [are] as water which is running down to the earth, which is not gathered, and God doth not accept a person, and hath devised devices in that the outcast is not outcast by Him.
- 15** Now therefore that I have come to speak of this thing to my lord the king, it is because the people have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, I will now speak to the king; it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid.
And now that I am come to speak of this thing to my lord the king, it is because the people have made me afraid; and thy bondmaid said, I will now speak to the king; perhaps the king will perform the request of his handmaid.
`And now that I have come to speak unto the king my lord this word, [it is] because the people made me afraid, and thy maid-servant saith, Let me speak, I pray thee, unto the king; it may be the king doth do the word of his handmaid,

- 16** For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid from the hand of the man that would destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God.
For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand of the man that would destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God.
for the king doth hearken to deliver his handmaid out of the paw of the man [seeking] to destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God,
- 17** Then thy handmaid said, The word of my lord the king, will now be comfortable: for as an messenger of God, so is my lord the king to discern good and bad: therefore Yahweh thy God will be with thee.
And thy bondmaid said, Let the word of my lord the king now be comfortable; for as an messenger of God, so is my lord the king to discern good and bad; and Yahweh thy God will be with thee.
and thy maid-servant saith, Let, I pray thee, the word of my lord the king be for ease; for as a messenger of God so [is] my lord the king, to understand the good and the evil; and Yahweh thy God is with thee.`
- 18** Then the king answered and said to the woman, Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak.
And the king answered and said to the woman, Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak.
And the king answereth and saith unto the woman, `Do not, I pray thee, hide from me the thing that I am asking thee;` and the woman saith, `Let I pray thee, my lord the king speak.`
- 19** And the king said, Is not the hand of Joab with thee in all this? And the woman answered and said, As thy soul liveth, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from aught that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words in the mouth of thy handmaid:
And the king said, Is the hand of Joab with thee in all this? And the woman answered and said, [As] thy soul liveth, my lord, O king, there is no turning to the right hand or to the left from aught that my lord the king has spoken; for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words into the mouth of thy bondmaid:
And the king saith, `Is the hand of Joab with thee in all this?` And the woman answereth and saith, `Thy soul liveth, my lord, O king, none [doth turn] to the right or to the left from all that my lord the king hath spoken; for thy servant Joab he commanded me, and he put in the mouth of thy maid-servant all these words;
- 20** To bring about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an messenger of God, know all things that are on the earth.
in order to turn the appearance of the thing has thy servant Joab done this thing; but my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an messenger of God, to know all that is in the earth.
in order to bring round the appearance of the thing hath thy servant Joab done this thing, and my lord [is] wise, according to the wisdom of a messenger of God, to know all that [is] in the land.`
- 21** And the king said to Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing: go therefore, bring the young man Absalom again.
And the king said to Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing: so go, bring back the young man Absalom.
And the king saith unto Joab, `Lo, I pray thee, thou hast done this thing; and go, bring back the young man Absalom.`

- 22** And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and thanked the king: and Joab said, To-day thy servant knoweth that I have found favor in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of his servant.
And Joab fell to the ground on his face and bowed himself, and blessed the king; and Joab said, To-day thy servant knows that I have found favour in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king has fulfilled the request of his servant.
And Joab falleth on his face to the earth, and doth obeisance, and blesseth the king, and Joab saith, `To-day hath thy servant known that I have found favor in thine eyes, my lord, O king, in that the king hath done the word of his servant.`
- 23** So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem.
And Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem.
And Joab riseth and goeth to Geshur, and bringeth in Absalom to Jerusalem,
- 24** And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.
And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face. And Absalom withdrew to his own house, and saw not the king's face.
and the king saith, `Let him turn round unto his house, and my face he doth not see.` And Absalom turneth round unto his house, and the face of the king he hath not seen.
- 25** But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.
But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.
And like Absalom there was no man [so] fair in all Israel, to praise greatly; from the sole of his foot even unto his crown there was no blemish in him;
- 26** And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled it: because the hair was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.
And when he shaved his head (for it was at every year's end that he shaved it, because it was heavy on him, therefore he shaved it), he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.
and in his polling his head -- and it hath been at the end of year by year that he polleth [it], for it [is] heavy on him, and he hath polled it -- he hath even weighed out the hair of his head -- two hundred shekels by the king's weight.
- 27** And to Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name was Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.
And to Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name was Tamar: she was a woman of a beautiful countenance.
And there are born to Absalom three sons, and one daughter, and her name [is] Tamar; she was a woman of a fair appearance.
- 28** So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and saw not the king's face.
So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and did not see the king's face.
And Absalom dwelleth in Jerusalem two years of days, and the face of the king he hath not seen;

- 29** Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, that he might send him to the king; but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come.
Then Absalom sent for Joab, to send him to the king; but he would not come to him; and he sent again the second time, but he would not come. and Absalom sendeth unto Joab, to send him unto the king, and he hath not been willing to come unto him; and he sendeth again a second time, and he hath not been willing to come.
- 30** Therefore he said to his servants, See, Joab's field is near mine, and he hath barley there; go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the fire on fire.
Then he said to his servants, See, Joab's allotment is near mine and he has barley there: go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the allotment on fire.
And he saith unto his servants, 'See, the portion of Joab [is] by the side of mine, and he hath barley there; go, and burn it with fire;' and the servants of Absalom burn the portion with fire.
- 31** Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom, to his house, and said to him, Why have thy servants set my field on fire?
Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom to [his] house, and said to him, Why have thy servants set my allotment on fire?
And Joab riseth and cometh unto Absalom in the house, and saith unto him, 'Why have thy servants burned the portion that I have with fire?'
- 32** And Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent to thee, saying, Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, Why am I come from Geshur? it had been good for me had I been there still: now therefore let me see the king's face; and if there is any iniquity in me, let him kill me.
And Absalom said to Joab, Behold, I sent to thee, saying, Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, Why am I come from Geshur? it would have been better for me to be there still. And now let me see the king's face; and if there be iniquity in me, let him slay me.
And Absalom saith unto Joab, 'Lo, I sent unto thee, saying, Come hither, and I send thee unto the king to say, Why have I come in from Geshur? -- good for me while I [am] there -- and now, let me see the king's face, and if there is in me iniquity then thou hast put me to death.'
- 33** So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king: and the king kissed Absalom.
And Joab came to the king, and told him. And he called Absalom, and he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king; and the king kissed Absalom.
And Joab cometh unto the king, and declareth [it] to him, and he calleth unto Absalom, and he cometh unto the king, and boweth himself to him on his face, to the earth, before the king, and the king giveth a kiss to Absalom.
- 1** And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.
And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared for himself chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.
And it cometh to pass afterwards, that Absalom prepareth for himself a chariot, and horses, and fifty men are running before him;

- 2 And Absalom rose early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was so, that when any man that had a controversy came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called to him, and said, Of what city art thou? And he said, Thy servant is one of the tribes of Israel.
And Absalom rose early, and stood beside the way of the gate; and it was so, that when any man who had a controversy had to come to the king for judgment, then Absalom called him, and said, Of what city art thou? And he said, Thy servant is of one of the tribes of Israel.
and Absalom hath risen early, and stood by the side of the way of the gate, and it cometh to pass, every man who hath a pleading to come unto the king for judgment, that Absalom calleth unto him, and saith, `Of what city [art] thou?` and he saith, `Of one of the tribes of Israel [is] thy servant`
- 3 And Absalom said to him, See, thy matters are good and right; but there is no man deputed by the king to hear thee.
And Absalom said to him, See, thy matters are good and right; but there is no man to hear thee [appointed] by the king.
And Absalom saith unto him, `See, thy matters [are] good and straightforward -- and there is none hearkening to thee from the king.`
- 4 Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man who hath any suit or cause might come to me, and I would do him justice!
And Absalom said, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man who has any controversy and cause might come to me, and I would do him justice!
And Absalom saith, `Who doth make me a judge in the land, that unto me doth come every man who hath a plea and judgment? -- then I have declared him righteous.`
- 5 And it was so, that when any man came nigh to him to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.
And it was so, that when any man came near to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.
And it hath come to pass, in the drawing nearing of any one to bow himself to him, that he hath put forth his hand, and laid hold on him, and given a kiss to him;
- 6 And in this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.
And in this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment; and Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.
and Absalom doth according to this thing to all Israel who come in for judgment unto the king, and Absalom stealeth the heart of the men of Israel
- 7 And it came to pass after forty years, that Absalom said to the king, I pray thee, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed to Yahweh, in Hebron.
And it came to pass at the end of forty years, that Absalom said to the king, I pray thee, let me go and pay in Hebron my vow which I have vowed to Yahweh.
And it cometh to pass, at the end of forty years, that Absalom saith unto the king, `Let me go, I pray thee, and I complete my vow, that I vowed to Yahweh in Hebron,
- 8 For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If Yahweh shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve Yahweh.
For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode in Geshur in Syria, saying, If Yahweh shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve Yahweh.
for a vow hath thy servant vowed in my dwelling in Geshur, in Aram, saying, If Yahweh doth certainly bring me back to Jerusalem, then I have served Yahweh.`

- 9 And the king said to him, Go in peace, So he arose, and went to Hebron.
And the king said to him, Go in peace. And he rose up and went to Hebron.
And the king saith to him, `Go in peace;` and he riseth and goeth to Hebron,
- 10 But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.
And Absalom sent emissaries into all the tribes of Israel, saying, When ye hear the sound of the trumpet, ye shall say, Absalom reigns in Hebron and Absalom sendeth spies through all the tribes of Israel, saying, `At your hearing the voice of the trumpet, then ye have said, Absalom hath reigned in Hebron.`
- 11 And with Absalom went two hundred men from Jerusalem, that were called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.
And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, that were invited; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew nothing.
And with Absalom have gone two hundred men, out of Jerusalem, invited ones, and they are going in their simplicity, and have not known anything;
- 12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counselor, from his city, even from Giloh, while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with Absalom.
And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from his city, from Giloh, while he offered the sacrifices. And the conspiracy gathered strength; and the people increased continually with Absalom.
and Absalom sendeth Ahithophel the Gilonite, a counsellor of David, out of his city, out of Gilo, in his sacrificing sacrifices; and the conspiracy is strong, and the people are going and increasing with Absalom.
- 13 And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.
And there came one to David who reported saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.
And he who is declaring tidings cometh in unto David, saying, `The heart of the men of Israel hath been after Absalom.`
- 14 And David said to all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not else escape from Absalom: make speed depart, lest he should overtake us suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.
And David said to all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, Rise up and let us flee; for we shall not [else] escape from Absalom. Be quick to depart, lest he overtake us quickly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.
And David saith to all his servants who [are] with him in Jerusalem, `Rise, and we flee, for we have no escape from the face of Absalom; haste to go, lest he hasten, and have overtaken us, and forced on us evil, and smitten the city by the mouth of the sword.`
- 15 And the king's servants said to the king, Behold, thy servants are ready to do whatever my lord the king shall appoint.
And the king's servants said to the king, Behold, thy servants [will do] whatever my lord the king shall choose.
And the servants of the king say unto the king, `According to all that my lord the king chooseth -- lo, thy servants [do].`
- 16 And the king went forth, and all his household after him. And the king left ten women who were concubines to keep the house.
And the king went forth, and all his household after him, and the king left ten women, concubines, to keep the house.
And the king goeth out, and all his household at his feet, and the king leaveth ten women -- concubines -- to keep the house.

- 17** And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and tarried in a place that was far off.
And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and stayed at the remote house.
And the king goeth out, and all the people at his feet, and they stand still at the farthest off house.
- 18** And all his servants passed on by his side; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men who came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.
And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men that came after him from Gath, passed over before the king.
And all his servants are passing on at his side, and all the Cherethite, and all the Pelethite, and all the Gittites, six hundred men who came at his feet from Gath, are passing on at the front of the king.
- 19** Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Why goest thou also with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king; for thou art a stranger, and also an exile.
And the king said to Ittai the Gittite, Why dost thou also go with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king; for thou art a foreigner, and besides, thou hast emigrated to the place where thou [dwestest].
And the king saith unto Ittai the Gittite, `Why dost thou go -- thou also -- with us? turn back -- and abide with the king, for thou [art] a stranger, and also an exile thou -- to thy place.
- 20** Whereas thou camest but yesterday, should I this day make thee go up and down with us? seeing I go whither I may; return thou, and take back thy brethren: mercy and truth be with thee.
Thou didst come yesterday, and should I this day make thee go up and down with us, seeing I go whither I can? Return and take back thy brethren. Mercy and truth be with thee!
Yesterday [is] thy coming in, and to-day I move thee to go with us, and I am going on that which I am going! -- turn back, and take back thy brethren with thee, -- kindness and truth.`
- 21** And Ittai answered the king, and said, As Yahweh liveth, and as my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be.
And Ittai answered the king and said, [As] Yahweh liveth, and [as] my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be.
And Ittai answereth the king and saith, `Yahweh liveth, and my lord the king liveth, surely in the place where my lord the king is -- if for death, if for life, surely there is thy servant.`
- 22** And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with him.
And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with him.
And David saith unto Ittai, `Go and pass over;` and Ittai the Gittite passeth over, and all his men, and all the infants who [are] with him.

- 23** And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over, towards the way of the wilderness.
And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over; the king also himself passed over the torrent Kidron, and all the people passed over, towards the way of the wilderness.
And all the land are weeping -- a great voice, and all the people are passing over; and the king is passing over through the brook Kidron, and all the people are passing over on the front of the way of the wilderness;
- 24** And lo, Zadok also, and all the Levites were with him bearing the ark of the covenant of God: and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city.
And behold, Zadok also, and all the Levites with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God; and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had passed completely out of the city.
and lo, also Zadok, and all the Levites with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God, and they make the ark of God firm, and Abiathar goeth up, till the completion of all the people to pass over out of the city.
- 25** And the king said to Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city: if I shall find favor in the eyes of Yahweh, he will bring me again, and show me both it, and his habitation:
And the king said to Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city. If I shall find favour in the eyes of Yahweh, he will bring me again, and shew me it, and its habitation.
And the king saith to Zadok, `Take back the ark of God to the city; if I find favor in the eyes of Yahweh, then He hath brought me back, and shewn me it and His habitation;
- 26** But if he shall thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, here am I, let him do to me as seemeth good to him.
But if he thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, [here am] I, let him do to me as seemeth good to him.
and if thus He say, I have not delighted in thee; here [am] I, He doth to me as [is] good in His eyes.`
- 27** The king said also to Zadok the priest, Art not thou a seer? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.
And the king said to Zadok the priest, Thou art the seer: return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.
And the king saith unto Zadok the priest, `Art thou a seer? turn back to the city in peace, and Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan son of Abiathar, your two sons with you;
- 28** See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until word shall come from you to certify me.
See, I will stop in the plains of the desert, until there come word from you to inform me.
see ye, I am tarrying in the plains of the wilderness till the coming in of a word from you to declare to me.`
- 29** Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem: and they tarried there.
And Zadok and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem; and they abode there.
And Zadok taketh back -- and Abiathar -- the ark of God to Jerusalem, and they abide there.

- 30** And David went up by the ascent of mount Olivet, and wept as he went, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that were with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went.
But David went up by the ascent of the Olives, and wept as he went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot; and all the people that was with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.
And David is going up in the ascent of the olives, going up and weeping, and he hath the head covered, and he is going barefooted, and all the people who [are] with him have covered each his head, and have gone up, going up and weeping;
- 31** And one told David, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O Yahweh, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.
And one told David saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. Then said David, Yahweh, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.
and David declared, saying, `Ahithophel [is] among the conspirators with Absalom;` and David saith, `Make foolish, I pray Thee, the counsel of Ahithophel, O Yahweh.`
- 32** And it came to pass, that when David had come to the top of the mount, where he worshiped God, behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head;
And it came to pass, when David had come to the summit, where he worshipped God, that behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head.
And it cometh to pass, David hath come unto the top, where he boweth himself to God, and lo, to meet him [is] Hushai the Archite, his coat rent, and earth on his head;
- 33** To whom David said, If thou shalt pass on with me, then thou wilt be a burden to me:
And David said to him, If thou passest on with me, thou wilt be a burden to me;
and David saith to him, `If thou hast passed on with me then thou hast been on me for a burden,
- 34** But if thou shalt return to the city, and say to Absalom, I will be thy servant, O king; as I have been thy father's servant hitherto, so will I now also be thy servant: then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.
but if thou return to the city, and say to Absalom, I will be thy servant, O king; as I have been thy father's servant hitherto, so now will I be thy servant; then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.
and if to the city thou dost turn back, and hast said to Absalom, Thy servant I am, O king; servant of thy father I [am] also hitherto, and now, I [am] also thy servant; then thou hast made void for me the counsel of Ahithophel;
- 35** And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, that whatever thing thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell it to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.
And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? and it shall be, [that] whatsoever thing thou shalt hear out of the king's house thou shalt tell it to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.
and are there not with thee there Zadok and Abiathar the priests? and it hath been, the whole of the matter that thou hearest from the house of the king thou dost declare to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests.

- 36** Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's son, and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and by them ye shall send to me every thing that ye can hear.
Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's [son], and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and by them ye shall send to me everything that ye shall hear.
Lo, there with them [are] their two sons, Ahimaaz to Zadok, and Jonathan to Abiathar, and ye have sent by their hand unto me anything that ye hear.`
- 37** So Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.
And Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.
And Hushai, David's friend, cometh in to the city, and Absalom cometh in to Jerusalem.
- 1** And when David was a little past the top of the hill, behold, Ziba the servant of Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred loaves of bread, and a hundred bunches of raisins, and a hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of wine.
And when David was a little past the summit, behold, Ziba, Mephibosheth's servant, met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred [loaves] of bread, and a hundred raisin-cakes, and a hundred cakes of summer fruits, and a flask of wine.
And David hath passed on a little from the top, and lo, Ziba, servant of Mephibosheth -- to meet him, and a couple of asses saddled, and upon the two hundred loaves, and a hundred bunches of raisins, and a hundred [of] summer-fruit, and a bottle of wine.
- 2** And the king said to Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses are for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as are faint in the wilderness may drink.
And the king said to Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses are for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruits for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as are faint in the wilderness may drink.
And the king saith unto Ziba, `What -- these to thee?` and Ziba saith, `The asses for the household of the king to ride on, and the bread and the summer-fruit for the young men to eat, and the wine for the wearied to drink in the wilderness.`
- 3** And the king said, And where is thy master's son? And Ziba said to the king, Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said, To-day shall the house of Israel restore to me the kingdom of my father.
And the king said, And where is thy master's son? And Ziba said to the king, Behold, he abides at Jerusalem; for he said, To-day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.
And the king saith, `And where [is] the son of thy lord?` and Ziba saith unto the king, `Lo, he is abiding in Jerusalem, for he said, To-day do the house of Israel give back to me the kingdom of my father.`
- 4** Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine are all that pertained to Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, I humbly beseech thee that I may find favor in thy sight, my lord, O king.
And the king said to Ziba, Behold, thine are all that pertained to Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, I humbly bow myself: may I find favour in thy sight, my lord, O king.
And the king saith to Ziba, `Lo, thine [are] all that Mephibosheth hath;` and Ziba saith, `I have bowed myself -- I find favor in thine eyes, my lord O king.`

- 5** And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, the son of Gera: he came forth, and cursed still as he came.
And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, there came out from thence a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, son of Gera: he came forth, and cursed,
And king David hath come in unto Bahurim, and lo, thence a man is coming out, of the family of the house of Saul, and his name [is] Shimei, son Gera, he cometh out, coming out and reviling;
- 6** And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left and cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David; and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left. and he stoneth David with stones, and all the servants of king David, and all the people, and all the mighty men on his right and on his left.
- 7** And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou bloody man, and thou man of Belial:
And thus said Shimei as he cursed: Away, away, thou man of blood and man of Belial!
And thus said Shimei in his reviling, `Go out, go out, O man of blood, and man of worthlessness!
- 8** Yahweh hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned; and Yahweh hath delivered the kingdom in the hand of Absalom thy son: and behold, thou art taken in thy mischief, because thou art a bloody man.
Yahweh has returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned; and Yahweh has given the kingdom into th hand of Absalom thy son; and behold, thou art [taken] in thine own evil, for thou art a man of blood.
Yahweh hath turned back on thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned, and Yahweh doth give the kingdom in to th hand of Absalom thy son; and lo, thou [art] in thine evil, for a man of blood thou [art].`
- 9** Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah to the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.
And Abishai the son of Zeruiah said to the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.
And Abishai son of Zeruiah saith unto the king, `Why doth this dead dog revile my lord the king? let me pass over, I pray thee, and I turn aside his head.`
- 10** And the king said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so let him curse, because Yahweh hath said to him, Curse David. Who shall then say, Why hast thou done so?
And the king said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so let him curse, for Yahweh has said to him, Curse David! Who shall then say, Why dost thou so?
And the king saith, `What -- to me and to you, O sons of Zeruiah? for -- let him revile; even because Yahweh hath said to him, Revile David; and who saith, Wherefore hast Thou done so?`

- 11** And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, who came forth from my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now may t Benjaminite do it? let him alone, and let him curse; for Yahweh hath bidden him.
And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, who came forth of my bowels, seeks my life: how much more now a Benjaminite? let him alone and let him curse; for Yahweh has bidden him.
And David saith unto Abishai, and unto all his servants, `Lo, my son who came out of my bowels is seeking my life, and also surely now the Benjaminite; leave him alone, and let him revile, for Yahweh hath said [so] to him;
- 12** It may be that Yahweh will look on my affliction, and that Yahweh will requite me good for his cursing this day.
It may be that Yahweh will look on mine affliction, and that Yahweh will requite me good for my being cursed this day.
it may be Yahweh doth look on mine affliction, and Yahweh hath turned back to me good for his reviling this day.`
- 13** And as David and his men went by the way, Shimei went along on the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him and cast dust.
And David and his men went by the way; and Shimei went along on the hill`s side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and cast dust.
And David goeth with his men in the way, and Shimei is going at the side of the hill over-against him, going on, and he revileth, and stoneth with stones over-against him, and hath dusted with dust.
- 14** And the king, and all the people that were with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there.
And the king, and all the people that were with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there.
And the king cometh in, and all the people who [are] with him, wearied, and they are refreshed there.
- 15** And Absalom, and all the people the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.
Now Absalom, and all the people, the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.
And Absalom and all the people, the men of Israel, have come in to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him,
- 16** And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, had come to Absalom, that Hushai said to Absalom, God save the king, God save the king.
And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David`s friend, came to Absalom, that Hushai said to Absalom, Long live the king! Long live the king!
and it cometh to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David`s friend, hath come unto Absalom, that Hushai saith unto Absalom, `Let the king live! let the king live!`
- 17** And Absalom said to Hushai, Is this thy kindness to thy friend? why wentest thou not with thy friend?
And Absalom said to Hushai, Is this thy kindness to thy friend? why didst thou not go with thy friend?
And Absalom saith unto Hushai, `This thy kindness with thy friend! why hast thou not gone with thy friend?`
- 18** And Hushai said to Absalom, Nay; but whom Yahweh, and this people, and all the men of Israel choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.
And Hushai said to Absalom, No; but whom Yahweh, and this people, and all the men of Israel choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.
And Hushai saith unto Absalom, `Nay, for he whom Yahweh hath chosen, and this people, even all the men of Israel, his I am, and with him I abide;

- 19** And again, whom should I serve? should I not serve in the presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence.
And again, whom should I serve? should it not be in the presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence and secondly, for whom do I labour? is it not before his son? as I served before thy father so am I before thee.`
- 20** Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we shall do.
And Absalom said to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we shall do.
And Absalom saith unto Ahithophel, `Give for you counsel what we do.`
- 21** And Ahithophel said to Absalom, Go in to thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred by thy father: then shall the hands of all that are with thee be strong.
And Ahithophel said to Absalom, Go in to thy father's concubines, whom he has left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art become odious with thy father; and the hands of all that are with thee shall be strong.
And Ahithophel saith unto Absalom, `Go in unto the concubines of thy father, whom he left to keep the house, and all Israel hath heard that thou hast been despised by thy father, and the hands of all who [are] with thee have been strong.`
- 22** So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in to his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.
So they spread a tent for Absalom upon the roof; and Absalom went in to his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.
And they spread out for Absalom the tent on the roof, and Absalom goeth in unto the concubines of his father before the eyes of all Israel.
- 23** And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counseled in those days, was as if a man had inquired at the oracle of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.
And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, was as if a man had inquired of the word of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.
And the counsel of Ahithophel which he counselled in those days [is] as [when] one inquireth at the word of God; so [is] all the counsel of Ahithophel both to David and to Absalom.
- 1** Moreover Ahithophel said to Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David this night;
And Ahithophel said to Absalom, Let me, I pray, choose out twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David to-night;
And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, `Let me choose, I pray thee, twelve thousand men, and I arise and pursue after David to-night,
- 2** And I will come upon him while he is weary and weak-handed, and will make him afraid: and all the people that are with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only;
and I will come upon him while he is weary and weak-handed, and will make him afraid; and all the people that are with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only;
and come upon him, and he weary and feeble-handed, and I have caused him to tremble, and all the people have fled who [are] with him, and I have smitten the king by himself,
- 3** And I will bring back all the people to thee: the man whom thou seekest is as if all returned: so all the people shall be in peace.
and I will bring back all the people to thee. The man whom thou seekest is as if all returned: all the people shall be in peace.
and I bring back all the people unto thee -- as the turning back of the whole [is] the man whom thou art seeking -- all the people are peace.

- 4 And the saying, pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of Israel.
And the saying was right in the eyes of Absalom, and in the eyes of all the elders of Israel.
And the thing is right in the eyes of Absalom, and in the eyes of all the elders of Israel.
- 5 Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise what he saith.
And Absalom said, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and we will hear also what he says.
And Absalom saith, `Call, I pray thee, also for Hushai the Archite, and we hear what [is] in his mouth -- even he.`
- 6 And when Hushai had come to Absalom, Absalom spoke to him, saying, Ahithophel hath spoken after this manner: shall we do after his saying? not, speak thou.
And Hushai came to Absalom, and Absalom spoke to him saying, Ahithophel has spoken after this manner: shall we carry out his word? If not, speak thou.
And Hushai cometh in unto Absalom, and Absalom speaketh unto him, saying, `According to this word hath Ahithophel spoken; do we do his word? if not, thou -- speak thou.`
- 7 And Hushai said to Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath given, is not good at this time.
And Hushai said to Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel has given this time is not good.
And Hushai saith unto Absalom, `Not good [is] the counsel that Ahithophel hath counselled at this time.`
- 8 For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they are mighty men, and they are chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.
And Hushai said, Thou knowest thy father and his men, that they are mighty men, and they are of exasperated spirit, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field; and thy father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.
And Hushai saith, `Thou hast known thy father and his men, that they [are] heroes, and they are bitter in soul as a bereaved bear in a field, and thy father [is] a man of war, and doth not lodge with the people;
- 9 Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some other place: and it will come to pass, when some of them are overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will say, There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.
Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or some such place; and it will come to pass, when some of them fall at the first, whoever heareth it will say, There has been slaughter among the people that follow Absalom,
lo, now, he is hidden in one of the pits, or in one of the places, and it hath been, at the falling among them at the commencement, that the hearer hath heard, and said, There hath been a slaughter among the people who [are] after Absalom;
- 10 And he also that is valiant, whose heart is as the heart of a lion, will utterly melt: for all Israel knoweth that thy father is a mighty man, and they who are with him are valiant men.
and even the valiant man whose heart is as the heart of a lion shall utterly melt; for all Israel knows that thy father is a mighty man, and they that are with him are valiant men.
and he also, the son of valour, whose heart [is] as the heart of the lion, doth utterly melt, for all Israel doth know that thy father is a hero, and so of valour [are] those with him.

- 11** Therefore I counsel that all Israel should be generally gathered to thee, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, as the sand that is by the sea for multitude and that thou shouldst go to battle in thy own person.
 But I counsel that all Israel be speedily gathered to thee, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, as the sand that is by the sea for multitude; and that thou go to battle in thine own person.
 `So that I have counselled: Let all Israel be diligently gathered unto thee, from Dan even unto Beer-Sheba, as the sand that [is] by the sea for multitude, and thou thyself art going in the midst;
- 12** So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him and of all the men that are with him there shall not be left so much as one.
 And we shall come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falls on the ground; and of him and of all the men that are with him there shall not be left so much as one.
 and we have come in unto him in one of the places where he is found, and we [are] upon him as the dew falleth on the ground, and there hath not been left of him and of all the men who [are] with him even one.
- 13** Moreover, if he shall have entered into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until there is not one small stone found there.
 And if he withdraw into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the torrent, until there be not one small stone found there.
 And if unto a city he is gathered, then they have caused all Israel to bear unto that city ropes, and we have drawn it unto the brook till that there hath not been found there even a stone.`
- 14** And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite is better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For Yahweh had appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, to the intent that Yahweh might bring evil upon Absalom.
 And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite is better than the counsel of Ahithophel. And Yahweh had appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, in order that Yahweh might bring evil upon Absalom.
 And Absalom saith -- and all the men of Israel -- `Better [is] the counsel of Hushai the Archite than the counsel of Ahithophel;` and Yahweh will make void the good counsel of Ahithophel for the sake of Yahweh`s bringing unto Absalom the evil.
- 15** Then said Hushai to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.
 And Hushai said to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.
 And Hushai saith unto Zadok and unto Abiathar the priests, `Thus and thus hath Ahithophel counselled Absalom and the elders of Israel, and thus and thus I have counselled;

- 16** Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not this night in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that are with him.
And now send quickly, and tell David saying, Lodge not this night in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that are with him.
and now, send hastily, and declare to David, saying, Lodge not to-night in the plains of the wilderness, and also, certainly pass over, lest there be swallowing up of the king and of all the people who are with him.`
- 17** Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come into the city: and a maid servant went and told them; and th went and told king David.
And Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-rogel; and the maid went and told them; and they went and told king David, for they might not be seen to come into the city.
And Jonathan and Ahimaaz are standing at En-Rogel, and the maid-servant hath gone and declared to them -- and they go and have declared [it to king David -- for they are not able to be seen to go in to the city.
- 18** Nevertheless, a lad saw them, and told Absalom: but they went both of them away quickly, and came to the house of a man in Bahurim, who had well in his court; into which they descended.
But a lad saw them, and told Absalom. Then they went both of them away quickly, and came to the house of a man at Bahurim, who had a well his court; and they went down there.
And a youth seeth them, and declareth to Absalom; and they go on both of them hastily, and come in unto the house of a man in Bahurim, and he hath a well in his court, and they go down there,
- 19** And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn upon it; and the thing was not known.
And the woman took and spread the covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn on it; and the thing was not known.
and the woman taketh and spreadeth the covering over the face of the well, and spreadeth on it the ground corn, and the thing hath not been known.
- 20** And when Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, they said, Where is Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said to them, they have gone over the brook of water. And when they had sought and could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem.
And Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, and said, Where are Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said to them, They have gone over the brook of water. And they sought and could not find [them], and returned to Jerusalem.
And the servants of Absalom come in unto the woman to the house, and say, `Where [are] Ahimaaz and Jonathan?` and the woman saith to them `They passed over the brook of water;` and they seek, and have not found, and turn back to Jerusalem.
- 21** And it came to pass, after they had departed, that they came out of the well, and went and told king David, and said to David, Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel counseled against you.
And it came to pass after they had departed, that they came up out of the well, and went and told king David; and they said to David, Arise and pass quickly over the water; for thus has Ahithophel counselled against you.
And it cometh to pass, after their going on, that they come up out of the well, and go and declare to king David, and say unto David, `Rise ye, and pass over hastily the waters, for thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you.`

- 22** Then David arose, and all the people that were with him, and they passed over Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of them that had not gone over Jordan.
Then David arose, and all the people that were with him, and they passed over the Jordan; by the morning light there was not one of them missing that had not gone over the Jordan.
And David riseth, and all the people who [are] with him, and they pass over the Jordan, till the light of the morning, till one hath not been lacking who hath not passed over the Jordan.
- 23** And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his ass, and arose, and went home to his house, to his city, and put his household in order, and hanged himself, and died. and was buried in the sepulcher of his father.
And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his ass, and arose and went to his house, to his city, and gave charge to his household, and hanged himself, and he died; and he was buried in the sepulchre of his father.
And Ahithophel hath seen that his counsel was not done, and he saddleth the ass, and riseth and goeth unto his house, unto his city, and giveth charge unto his household, and stranglenth himself, and dieth, and he is buried in the burying-place of his father.
- 24** Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.
And David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over the Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.
And David came to Mahanaim, and Absalom passed over the Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him;
- 25** And Absalom made Amasa captain of the host instead of Joab: which Amasa was a man's son, whose name was Ithra, an Israelite, that went in to Abigail the daughter of Nahash, sister to Zeruah, Joab's mother.
And Absalom set Amasa over the host instead of Joab; which Amasa was the son of a man whose name was Jithra the Israelite, that went in to Abigail the daughter of Nahash, sister to Zeruah, Joab's mother.
and Amasa hath Absalom set instead of Joab over the host, and Amasa [is] a man's son whose name is Ithra the Israelite who hath gone in unto Abigail, daughter of Nahash, sister of Zeruah, mother of Joab;
- 26** So Israel and Absalom encamped in the land of Gilead.
And Israel and Absalom encamped in the land of Gilead.
and Israel encampeth with Absalom [in] the land of Gilead.
- 27** And it came to pass, when David had come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,
And as soon as David came to Mahanaim, Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,
And it cometh to pass at the coming in of David to Mahanaim, that Shobi, son of Nahash, from Rabbah of the Bene-Ammon, and Machir son of Ammiel, from Lo-Debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite, from Rogelim,
- 28** Brought beds, and basins, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched corn, and beans, and lentils, and parched pulse, brought beds, and basins, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched [corn], and beans, and lentils, and parched [pulse], and couch, and basin, and earthen vessel, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and roasted [corn], and beans, and lentils, and roasted [pulse],

- 29** And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of cows, for David, and for the people that were with him, to eat: for they said, The people are hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness.
and honey, and cream, and sheep, and cheese of kine to David, and to the people that were with him, to eat; for they said, The people is hungry, and weary, and thirsty in the wilderness.
and honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of cows, have brought nigh for David, and for the people who [are] with him to eat, for they said, `Thy people [is] hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness.`
- 1** And David numbered the people that were with him, and set over them captains of thousands and captains of hundreds.
And David marshalled the people that were with him, and set captains of thousands and captains of hundreds over them.
And David inspecteth the people who [are] with him, and setteth over them heads of thousands and heads of hundreds,
- 2** And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said to the people, I will surely go forth with you myself also.
And David sent forth the people, a third part under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said to the people, I will surely go forth with you myself also.
and David sendeth the third of the people by the hand of Joab, and the third by the hand of Abishai, son of Zeruiah, brother of Joab, and the third by the hand of Ittai the Gittite, and the king saith unto the people, `I certainly go out -- I also -- with you.`
- 3** But the people answered, Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but now thou art worth ten thousand of us: therefore now it is better that thou shouldst succor us out of the city.
But the people said, Thou shalt not go forth, for if we should in any case flee, they will not care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us; for *thou* art worth ten thousand of us; and now it is better that thou succour us out of the city.
And the people say, `Thou dost not go out, for if we utterly flee, they do not set [their] heart upon us; and if half of us die, they do not set [their] heart unto us -- for now like us [are] ten thousand; and now, better that thou be to us from the city for an helper.`
- 4** And the king said to them, What seemeth to you best I will do. And the king stood by the gate side, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands.
And the king said to them, I will do what is good in your sight. And the king stood by the gate-side, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands.
And the king saith unto them, `That which is good in your eyes I do;` and the king standeth at the side of the gate, and all the people have gone out by hundreds and by thousands,
- 5** And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Deal gently for my sake with the young man, even with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.
And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, [Deal] gently for my sake with the young man Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.
and the king chargeth Joab, and Abishai, and Ittai, saying, `Gently -- for me, for the youth, for Absalom;` and all the people heard in the king's charging all the heads concerning Absalom.

- 6 So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of Ephraim;
And the people went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was in the forest of Ephraim.
And the people goeth out into the field to meet Israel, and the battle is in a forest of Ephraim;
- 7 Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand men.
And the people of Israel were routed before the servants of David, and there was a great slaughter there that day: twenty thousand men.
and smitten there are the people of Israel before the servants of David, and the smiting there is great on that day -- twenty thousand;
- 8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.
And the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country; and the forest devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.
and the battle is there scattered over the face of all the land, and the forest multiplieth to devour among the people more than those whom the sword hath devoured in that day.
- 9 And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was suspended between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.
And Absalom found himself in the presence of David's servants. And Absalom was riding upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick bough of the great terebinth, and his head caught in the terebinth, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.
And Absalom meeteth before the servants of David, and Absalom is riding on the mule, and the mule cometh in under an entangled bough of the great oak, and his head taketh hold on the oak, and he is placed between the heavens and the earth, and the mule that [is] under him hath passed on.
- 10 And a certain man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanging in an oak.
And a man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanging in a terebinth.
And one man seeth, and declareth to Joab, and saith, `Lo, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.`
- 11 And Joab said to the man that told him, And behold, thou sawest him, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten shekels of silver, and a girdle.
And Joab said to the man that told him, And behold, thou sawest [him], and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten silver pieces and a girdle.
And Joab saith to the man who is declaring [it] to him, `And lo, thou hast seen -- and wherefore didst thou not smite him there to the earth -- and on me to give to thee ten silverlings and one girdle?`
- 12 And the man said to Joab, Though I should receive a thousand shekels of silver in my hand, yet would I not put forth my hand against the king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none touch the young man Absalom.
And the man said to Joab, Though I should receive a thousand silver pieces in my hand, yet would I not put forth my hand against the king's son for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Take care, whoever it be [of you], of the young man Absalom.
And the man saith unto Joab, `Yea, though I am weighing on my hand a thousand silverlings, I do not put forth my hand unto the son of the king for in our ears hath the king charged thee, and Abishai, and Ittai, saying, Observe ye who [is] against the youth -- against Absalom;

- 13** Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against my own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldst have set thyself against me.
Or I should have acted falsely against mine own life, for there is no matter concealed from the king, and thou wouldest have set thyself against [me].
or I had done against my soul a vain thing, and no matter is hid from the king, and thou -- thou dost station thyself over-against.`
- 14** Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.
Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into Absalom`s body, while he was yet alive in the midst of the terebinth.
And Joab saith, `Not right -- I tarry before thee;` and he taketh three darts in his hand, and striketh them into the heart of Absalom, while he [is alive, in the midst of the oak.
- 15** And ten young men that bore Joab's armor compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.
And ten young men that bore Joab`s armour surrounded and smote Absalom, and killed him.
And they go round -- ten youths bearing weapons of Joab -- and smite Absalom, and put him to death.
- 16** And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing Israel: for Joab restrained the people.
And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel; for Joab kept back the people.
And Joab bloweth with a trumpet, and the people turneth back from pursuing after Israel, for Joab hath kept back the people;
- 17** And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.
And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and raised a very great heap of stones upon him. And all Israel fled every one to his tent.
and they take Absalom and cast him in the forest unto the great pit, and set up over him a very great heap of stones, and all Israel have fled -- ea to his tent.
- 18** Now Absalom in his life-time had taken and raised for himself a pillar, which is in the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name: and it is called to this day, Absalom's place.
Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a monument, which is in the king`s dale; for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance; and he called the monument after his own name; and it is called unto this day, Absalom`s memorial.
And Absalom hath taken, and setteth up for himself in his life, the standing-pillar that [is] in the king`s valley, for he said, `I have no son to cause my name to be remembered;` and he calleth the standing-pillar by his own name, and it is called `The monument of Absalom` unto this day.
- 19** Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and inform the king, how Yahweh hath avenged himself of his enemies.
And Ahimaaz the son of Zadok said, Let me run, I pray, and carry the king the news that Yahweh has avenged him of his enemies.
And Ahimaaz son of Zadok said, `Let me run, I pray thee, and I bear the king tidings, for Yahweh hath delivered him out of the hand of his enemies;`

- 20** And Joab said to him, Thou shalt not bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead.
And Joab said to him, Thou shalt not be a bearer of news to-day, but thou shalt carry the news another day; but to-day thou shalt carry no news because the king's son is dead.
and Joab saith to him, `Thou art not a man of tidings this day, but thou hast borne tidings on another day, and this day thou dost not bear tidings because the king's son [is] dead.`
- 21** Then said Joab to Cushi, Go, tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cushi bowed himself to Joab, and ran.
Then said Joab to the Cushite, Go, tell the king what thou hast seen. And the Cushite bowed himself to Joab, and ran.
And Joab saith to Cushi, `Go, declare to the king that which thou hast seen;` and Cushi boweth himself to Joab, and runneth.
- 22** Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But however, let me also, I pray thee, run after Cushi. And Joab said, Why wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings ready?
And Ahimaaz the son of Zadok said yet again to Joab, Come what may, let me, I pray thee, also run after the Cushite. And Joab said, Why wilt thou run, my son, seeing that there is no news suited [to thee]?
And Ahimaaz son of Zadok addeth again, and saith unto Joab, `And whatever it be, let me run, I pray thee, I also, after the Cushite.` And Joab saith, `Why [is] this -- thou art running, my son, and for thee there are no tidings found?` --
- 23** But however, said he, let me run. And he said to him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and outran Cushi.
-- But, come what may, let me run. And he said to him, Run. And Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and outstripped the Cushite.
`And, whatever it be, [said he,] let me run.` And he saith to him, `Run;` and Ahimaaz runneth the way of the circuit, and passeth by the Cushite.
- 24** And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof over the gate to the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone.
And David sat between the two gates; and the watchman went up to the roof of the gate, on to the wall, and lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man running alone.
And David is sitting between the two gates, and the watchman goeth unto the roof of the gate, unto the wall, and lifteth up his eyes, and looketh, and lo, a man running by himself.
- 25** And the watchman called, and told the king. And the king said, If he is alone there is tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near.
And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he be alone, there is news in his mouth. And he came on and drew near.
And the watchman calleth, and declareth to the king, and the king saith, `If by himself, tidings [are] in his mouth;` and he cometh, coming on and drawing near.
- 26** And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called to the porter, and said, Behold another man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings.
And the watchman saw another man running; and the watchman called to the porter and said, Behold a man running alone. And the king said, He also is a bearer of news.
And the watchman seeth another man running, and the watchman calleth unto the gatekeeper, and saith, `Lo, a man running by himself;` and the king saith, `Also this one is bearing tidings.`

- 27 And the watchman said, I think the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He is a good man and cometh with good news.
And the watchman said, I see the running of the foremost like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He is a good man; a comes with good news.
And the watchman saith, `I see the running of the first as the running of Ahimaaz son of Zadok.` And the king saith, `This [is] a good man, and with good tidings he cometh.`
- 28 And Ahimaaz called, and said to the king, All is well. And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed be Yahweh th God, who hath delivered up the men that raised their hand against my lord the king.
And Ahimaaz called and said to the king, Peace! And he fell down to the earth on his face before the king, and said, Blessed be Yahweh thy God who has delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.
And Ahimaaz calleth and saith unto the king, `Peace;` and he boweth himself to the king, on his face, to the earth, and saith, `Blessed [is] Yahweh thy God who hath shut up the men who lifted up their hand against my lord the king.`
- 29 And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and me thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what it was.
And the king said, Is it well with the young man Absalom? And Ahimaaz said, I saw a great tumult when Joab sent the king's servant, and me thy servant; but I knew not what it was.
And the king saith, `Peace to the youth -- to Absalom?` And Ahimaaz saith, `I saw the great multitude, at the sending away of the servant of the king, even thy servant [by] Joab, and I have not known what [it is].`
- 30 And the king said to him, Turn aside, and stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still.
And the king said, Turn aside [and] stand here. And he turned aside and stood still.
And the king saith, `Turn round, station thyself here;` and he turneth round and standeth still.
- 31 And behold, Cushite came; and Cushite said, Tidings, my lord the king: for Yahweh hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee. And behold, the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, Let my lord the king receive good tidings, for Yahweh has avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee.
And lo, the Cushite hath come, and the Cushite saith, `Let tidings be proclaimed, my lord, O king; for Yahweh hath delivered thee to-day out of the hand of all those rising up against thee.`
- 32 And the king said to Cushite, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Cushite answered, May the enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do thee hurt, be as that young man is.
And the king said to the Cushite, Is it well with the young man Absalom? And the Cushite said, The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee for evil, be as that young man.
And the king saith unto the Cushite, `Peace to the youth -- to Absalom?` And the Cushite saith, `Let them be -- as the youth -- the enemies of my lord the king, and all who have risen up against thee for evil.`

- 1** And it was told to Joab, Behold, the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom.
And it was told Joab, Behold, the king weeps and mourns for Absalom.
And it is declared to Joab, `Lo, the king is weeping and mourning for Absalom;`
- 2** And the victory that day was turned into mourning to all the people: for the people heard it said that day how the king was grieved for his son.
And the victory that day was [turned] into mourning for all the people; for the people heard say that day, The king is grieved for his son.
and the salvation on that day becometh mourning to all the people, for the people hath heard on that day, saying, `The king hath been grieved for his son.`
- 3** And the people withdrew by stealth that day into the city, as people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.
And the people stole away that day into the city, as people steal away when ashamed of fleeing in battle.
And the people stealeth away, on that day, to go in to the city, as the people steal away, who are ashamed, in their fleeing in battle;
- 4** But the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son!
And the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, My son Absalom! Absalom, my son, my son!
and the king hath covered his face, yea, the king crieth -- a loud voice -- `My son Absalom, Absalom, my son, my son.`
- 5** And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, thou hast shamed this day the faces of all thy servants, who this day have saved thy life, and the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines;
And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, Thou hast put to shame this day the faces of all thy servants who have this day saved thy life and the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy wives and the lives of thy concubines;
And Joab cometh in unto the king to the house, and saith, `Thou hast put to shame to-day the faces of all thy servants, those delivering thy life to day, and the life of thy sons, and of thy daughters, and the life of thy wives, and the life of thy concubines,
- 6** In that thou lovest thy enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast declared this day, that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased thee well.
in that thou lovest them that hate thee, and hatest those that love thee. For thou hast declared this day, that neither princes nor servants are anything to thee: for to-day I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died to-day, then it would have been right in thine eyes.
to love thine enemies, and to hate those loving thee, for thou hast declared to-day that thou hast no princes and servants, for I have known to-day that if Absalom [were] alive, and all of us to-day dead, that then it were right in thine eyes.
- 7** Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak comfortably to thy servants: for I swear by Yahweh, if thou shalt not go forth, there will not tarry one with thee this night: and that will be worse to thee than all the evil that hath befallen thee from thy youth until now.
But now arise, go forth, and speak consolingly to thy servants; for I swear by Yahweh, if thou go not forth, there will not tarry one with thee this night; and that would be worse to thee than all the evil that has befallen thee from thy youth until now.
`And now, rise, go out and speak unto the heart of thy servants, for by Yahweh I have sworn, that -- thou art not going out -- there doth not lodge a man with thee to-night; and this [is] worse for thee than all the evil that hath come upon thee from thy youth till now.`

- 8** Then the king rose, and sat in the gate. And they told to all the people, saying, Behold, the king doth sit in the gate. And all the people came before the king: for Israel had fled every man to his tent.
 Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told all the people, saying, Behold, the king is sitting in the gate. And all the people came before the king. Now Israel had fled every man to his tent.
 And the king riseth, and sitteth in the gate, and to all the people they have declared, saying, `Lo, the king is sitting in the gate;` and all the people come in before the king, and Israel hath fled, each to his tents.
- 9** And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The king saved us from the hand of our enemies, and he delivered us from the hand of the Philistines; and now he hath fled out of the land for Absalom.
 And all the people were at strife throughout the tribes of Israel, saying, The king delivered us out of the hand of our enemies, and he saved us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is fled out of the land because of Absalom.
 And it cometh to pass, all the people are contending through all the tribes of Israel, saying, `The king delivered us out of the hand of our enemies yea, he himself delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines, and now he hath fled out of the land because of Absalom,
- 10** And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why speak ye not a word of bringing the king back?
 And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle; and now why are ye silent as to bringing the king back?
 and Absalom whom we anointed over us [is] dead in battle, and now, why are ye silent -- to bring back the king?`
- 11** And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak to the elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to the king, even to his house.
 And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak to the elders of Judah saying, Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to the king, to his house.
 And king David sent unto Zadok and unto Abiathar the priests, saying, `Speak ye unto the elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye last to bring back the king unto his house? (and the word of all Israel hath come unto the king, unto his house;)
- 12** Ye are my brethren, ye are my bones and my flesh: why then are ye the last to bring back the king?
 Ye are my brethren, ye are my bone and my flesh; and why will ye be the last to bring back the king?
 my brethren ye [are], my bone and my flesh ye [are], and why are ye last to bring back the king?
- 13** And say ye to Amasa, Art thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? God do so to me, and more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.
 And say to Amasa, Art thou not my bone and my flesh? God do so to me and more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually instead of Joab.
 And to Amasa say ye, Art not thou my bone and my flesh? Thus doth God do to me, and thus He doth add, if thou art not head of the host before me all the days instead of Joab.`
- 14** And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as the heart of one man; so that they sent this word to the king, Return thou, and all thy servants.
 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah as of one man; and they sent to the king, Return, thou and all thy servants.
 And he inclineth the heart of all the men of Judah as one man, and they send unto the king, `Turn back, thou, and all thy servants.`

- 15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.
And the king returned and came as far as the Jordan. And Judah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over the Jordan.
And the king turneth back, and cometh in unto the Jordan, and Judah hath come to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to bring the king over the Jordan,
- 16 And Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjaminite, who was of Bahurim, hasted and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David.
And Shimei the son of Gera, the Benjaminite, who was of Bahurim, hasted and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David.
and Shimei son of Gera, the Benjamite, who [is] from Bahurim, hasteth, and cometh down with the men of Judah, to meet king David,
- 17 And there were a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.
And there were a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they forded the Jordan before the king.
and a thousand men [are] with him from Benjamin, and Ziba servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him, and they have gone prosperously over the Jordan before the king.
- 18 And there went over a ferry-boat to carry over the king's household, and to do what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he came over Jordan;
And a ferry boat passed to and fro to carry over the king's household, and to do what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king as he was [just] crossing over the Jordan.
And passed over hath the ferry-boat to carry over the household of the king, and to do that which [is] good in his eyes, and Shimei son of Gera hath fallen before the king in his passing over into Jordan,
- 19 And said to the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity to me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart.
And he said to the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity to me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to heart.
and saith unto the king, `Let not my lord impute to me iniquity; neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely in the day that my lord the king went out from Jerusalem, -- for the king to set [it] unto his heart;
- 20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore behold, I have come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king.
For thy servant knows that I have sinned; and behold, I am come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king for thy servant hath known that I have sinned; and lo, I have come to-day, first of all the house of Joseph, to go down to meet my lord the king.`
- 21 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed Yahweh'S anointed?
And Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, Should not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed Yahweh`s anointed?
And Abishai son of Zeruiah answereth and saith, `For this is not Shimei put to death -- because he reviled the anointed of Yahweh?`

- 22** And David said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruah, that ye should this day be adversaries to me? shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know that I am this day king over Israel?
And David said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruah, that ye should this day be adversaries to me? Should there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know that I am this day king over Israel?
And David saith, `What -- to me and to you, O sons of Zeruah, that ye are to me to-day for an adversary? to-day is any man put to death in Israel? for have I not known that to-day I [am] king over Israel?`
- 23** Therefore the king said to Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king swore to him.
And the king said to Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king swore to him.
And the king saith unto Shimei, `Thou dost not die;` and the king sweareth to him.
- 24** And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king, and had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came again in peace.
And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king. Now he had neither washed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came [again] in peace.
And Mephibosheth son of Saul hath come down to meet the king -- and he prepared not his feet, nor did he prepare his upper lip, yea, his garments he washed not, even from the day of the going away of the king, till the day that he came in peace --
- 25** And it came to pass, when he had come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said to him, Why didst thou not go with me, Mephibosheth?
And as soon as Jerusalem came to meet the king, the king said to him, Why didst thou not go with me, Mephibosheth?
and it cometh to pass, when he hath come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king saith to him, `Why didst thou not go with me, Mephibosheth?`
- 26** And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, I will saddle me an ass, that I may ride on it, and go to the king because thy servant is lame.
And he said, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me; for thy servant said, I will saddle me the ass, and ride thereon, and go with the king; for thy servant is lame.
And he saith, `My lord, O king, my servant deceived me, for thy servant said, I saddle for me the ass, and ride on it, and go with the king, for thy servant [is] lame;
- 27** And he hath slandered thy servant to my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an messenger of God: do therefore what is good in thy eyes.
And he has slandered thy servant to my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an messenger of God; do therefore what is good in thy sight.
and he uttereth slander against thy servant unto my lord the king, and my lord the king [is] as a messenger of God; and do thou that which is good in thine eyes,

- 28** For all of my father's house were but dead men before my lord the king: yet didst thou set thy servant among them that ate at thy own table. Wh right therefore have I yet to cry any more to the king?
 For all my father`s house were but dead men before my lord the king; and thou didst set thy servant among them that eat at thine own table. What further right therefore have I? and for what should I cry any more to the king?
 for all the house of my father have been nothing except men of death before my lord the king, and thou dost set thy servant among those eating a thy table, and what right have I any more -- even to cry any more unto the king?`
- 29** And the king said to him, Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba divide the land.
 And the king said to him, Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba divide the land.
 And the king saith to him, `Why dost thou speak any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba -- share ye the field.`
- 30** And Mephibosheth said to the king, Yes, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the king hath come again in peace to his own house.
 And Mephibosheth said to the king, Let him even take all, since my lord the king is come again in peace to his own house.
 And Mephibosheth saith unto the king, `Yea, the whole let him take, after that my lord the king hath come in peace unto his house.`
- 31** And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over Jordan with the king, to conduct him over Jordan.
 And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over the Jordan with the king, to conduct him over the Jordan.
 And Barzillai the Gileadite hath gone down from Rogelim, and passeth over the Jordan with the king, to send him away over the Jordan;
- 32** Now Barzillai was a very aged man, even eighty years old: and he had provided the king with sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim: for he was a very great man.
 And Barzillai was very aged, eighty years old; and it was he that had maintained the king while he abode at Mahanaim; for he was a very great man.
 and Barzillai [is] very aged, a son of eighty years, and he hath sustained the king in his abiding in Mahanaim, for he [is] a very great man;
- 33** And the king said to Barzillai, Come thou over with me, and I will feed thee with me in Jerusalem.
 And the king said to Barzillai, Pass thou over with me, and I will maintain thee with me in Jerusalem.
 and the king saith unto Barzillai, `Pass thou over with me, and I have sustained thee with me in Jerusalem.`
- 34** And Barzillai said to the king, How long have I to live, that I should go up with the king to Jerusalem?
 And Barzillai said to the king, How many are the days of the years of my life, that I should go up with the king to Jerusalem?
 And Barzillai saith unto the king, `How many [are] the days of the years of my life, that I go up with the king to Jerusalem?`
- 35** I am this day eighty years old: and can I discern between good and evil? can thy servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more th voice of singing-men and singing-women? why then should thy servant be yet a burden to my lord the king?
 I am this day eighty years old: can I discern between good and bad? can thy servant taste what I eat and what I drink? can I hear any more the voice of singing men and singing women? and why should thy servant be yet a burden to my lord the king?
 A son of eighty years I [am] to-day; do I know between good and evil? doth thy servant taste that which I am eating, and that which I drink? do I hearken any more to the voice of singers and songstresses? and why is thy servant any more for a burden unto my lord the king?

- 36** Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense me with such a reward?
Thy servant will go a little way over the Jordan with the king; and why should the king recompense it to me with this reward?
As a little thing, thy servant doth pass over the Jordan with the king, and why doth the king recompense me this recompense?
- 37** Let thy servant, I pray thee, return again, that I may die in my own city, and be buried by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good to thee.
Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant Chimham: let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what seems good to thee.
Let, I pray thee, thy servant turn back again, and I die in mine own city, near the burying-place of my father and of my mother, -- and lo, thy servant Chimham, let him pass over with my lord the king, and do thou to him that which [is] good in thine eyes.`
- 38** And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good to thee: and whatever thou shalt requir of me, that will I do for thee.
And the king said, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which seems good to thee; and whatsoever thou shalt require of me that will I do for thee.
And the king saith, `With me doth Chimham go over, and I do to him that which [is] good in thine eyes, yea, all that thou dost fix on me I do to thee.`
- 39** And all the people went over Jordan. And when the king had come over, the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned to his own place.
And all the people went over the Jordan; and the king went over; and the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned to his own place.
And all the people pass over the Jordan, and the king hath passed over, and the king giveth a kiss to Barzillai, and blesseth him, and he turneth back to his place.
- 40** Then the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him: and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Isr
And the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him; and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Isr
And the king passeth over to Gilgal, and Chimham hath passed over with him, and all the people of Judah, and they bring over the king, and also the half of the people of Israel.
- 41** And behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said to him, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee away, and have brought the king, and his household, and all David's men with him, over Jordan?
And behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said to the king, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee away, and have brought the king, and his household, and all David's men with him, over the Jordan?
And, lo, all the men of Israel are coming unto the king, and they say unto the king, `Wherefore have they stolen thee -- our brethren, the men of Judah?' (and they bring the king and his household over the Jordan, and all the men of David with him).

- 42 And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king is near of kin to us: why then are ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all at the king's cost? or hath he given us any gift?
 And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king is near of kin to me; and why then are ye angry for this matter? have we eaten anything which came from the king, or has he given us any present?
 And all the men of Judah answer against the men of Israel, `Because the king [is] near unto us, and why [is] this -- ye are displeased about this matter? have we at all eaten of the king's [substance?] a gift hath he lifted up to us?`
- 43 And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king, and we have also more right in David than ye: why then did ye despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king? And the words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the men of Israel.
 And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah and said, I have ten parts in the king and I have also more right in David than thou; and why didst thou slight me? and was not my advice the first, to bring back my king? And the words of the men of Judah were harsher than the words of the men of Israel.
 And the men of Israel answer the men of Judah, and say, `Ten parts we have in the king, and also in David more than you; and wherefore have ye lightly esteemed us, that our word hath not been first to bring back our king?` And the word of the men of Judah is sharper than the word of the men of Israel.
- 1 And there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjaminite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel.
 And there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjaminite; and he blew a trumpet, and said, We have no portion in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, Israel.
 And there hath been called there a man of worthlessness, and his name [is] Sheba, son of Bichri, a Benjamite, and he bloweth with a trumpet, an saith, `We have no portion in David, and we have no inheritance in the son of Jesse; each to his tents, O Israel.`
- 2 So every man of Israel, withdrawing from David, followed Sheba the son of Bichri: but the men of Judah adhered to their king, from Jordan even to Jerusalem.
 Then all the men of Israel went up from after David, following Sheba the son of Bichri. But the men of Judah clave to their king, from the Jordan even to Jerusalem.
 And every man of Israel goeth up from after David, after Sheba son of Bichri, and the men of Judah have cleaved to their king, from the Jordan even unto Jerusalem.
- 3 And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women his concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in custody, and fed them, but went not in to them. So they were shut up to the day of their death, living in widowhood.
 And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women, concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in a house of confinement and maintained them, but did not go in to them. So they were shut up unto the day of their death, living in widowhood.
 And David cometh in unto his house at Jerusalem, and the king taketh the ten women-concubines -- whom he had left to keep the house, and putteth them in a house of ward, and sustaineth them, and unto them he hath not gone in, and they are shut up unto the day of their death, in widowhood living.

- 4** Then said the king to Amasa, Assemble to me the men of Judah within three days, and be thou here present.
And the king said to Amasa, Call me the men of Judah together within three days, and do thou attend here.
And the king saith unto Amasa, `Call for me the men of Judah [in] three days, and thou, stand here,`
- 5** So Amasa went to assemble the men of Judah: but he tarried longer than the set time which he had appointed him.
So Amasa went to call together [the men of] Judah; but he delayed longer than the set time which he had appointed him.
and Amasa goeth to call Judah, and tarrieth beyond the appointed time that he had appointed him;
- 6** And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than did Absalom: take thou thy lord's servants, and pursue him lest he get for himself fortified cities, and escape us.
And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than did Absalom. Take thou thy lord`s servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fortified cities and escape our sight.
and David saith unto Abishai, `Now doth Sheba son of Bichri do evil to us more than Absalom; thou, take the servants of thy lord, and pursue after him, lest he have found for himself fenced cities, and delivered himself [from] our eye.`
- 7** And there went out after him Joab's men, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.
And there went out after him Joab`s men, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men; and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.
And the men of Joab go out after him, and the Cherethite, and the Pelethite, and all the mighty men, and they go out from Jerusalem to pursue after Sheba son of Bichri;
- 8** When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And Joab's garment that he had put on was girded to him, and upon it a girdle with a sword fastened upon his loins in its sheath; and as he went forth it fell out.
When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa came before them. And Joab was girded with his coat, his dress, and upon it was the girdle of the sword which was fastened on his loins in its sheath; and as he went forth it fell out.
they [are] near the great stone that [is] in Gibeon, and Amasa hath gone before them, and Joab [is] girded; his long robe he hath put on him, and upon it a girdle -- a sword [is] fastened upon his loins in its sheath; and he hath gone out, and it falleth.
- 9** And Joab said to Amasa, Art thou in health, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.
And Joab said to Amasa, Art thou well, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.
And Joab saith to Amasa, `Art thou [in] peace, my brother?` and the right hand of Joab layeth hold on the beard of Amasa to give a kiss to him;
- 10** But Amasa took no heed to the sword that was in Joab's hand: so he smote him in the fifth rib, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again; and he died. So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.
And Amasa had taken no notice of the sword that was in Joab`s hand: so he smote him with it in the belly and shed out his bowels to the ground and struck him not again; and he died. And Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.
and Amasa hath not been watchful of the sword that [is] in the hand of Joab, and he smiteth him with it unto the fifth [rib], and sheddeth out his bowels to the earth, and he hath not repeated [it] to him, and he dieth; and Joab and Abishai his brother have pursued after Sheba son of Bichri.

- 11** And one of Joab's men stood by him, and said, He that favoereth Joab, and he that is for David, let him go after Joab.
And one of Joab`s young men stood by [Amasa] and said, He that favours Joab, and he that is for David, let him follow Joab.
And a man hath stood by him, of the young men of Joab, and saith, `He who hath delight in Joab, and he who [is] for David -- after Joab!`
- 12** And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And when the man saw that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by him stood still.
Now Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And when the man saw that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by stood still.
And Amasa is rolling himself in blood, in the midst of the highway, and the man seeth that all the people have stood still, and he bringeth round Amasa out of the highway to the field, and casteth over him a garment, when he hath seen that every one who hath come by him -- hath stood sti
- 13** When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.
When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri,
When he hath been removed out of the highway, every man hath passed on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba son of Bichri.
- 14** And he went through all the tribes of Israel to Abel, and to Beth-maachah, and all the Berites: and they were assembled, and went also after him who went through all the tribes of Israel to Abel, and to Beth-Maacah, and all the Berim; and they gathered together, and went also after him.
And he passeth over through all the tribes of Israel to Abel, and to Beth-Maachah, and to all the Berites, and they are assembled, and go in also after him,
- 15** And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maachah, and they cast up a bank against the city, and it stood in the trench: and all the people that were with Joab battered the wall, to throw it down.
And they came and besieged him in Abel-Beth-Maacah, and they cast up a bank against the city, and it was raised in the trench; and all the people that were with Joab sapped the wall, to throw it down.
and they go in and lay siege against him, in Abel of Beth-Maacah, and cast up a mount against the city, and it standeth in a trench, and all the people who are [are] with Joab are destroying, to cause the wall to fall.
- 16** Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, to Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.
And a wise woman cried out of the city, Hear, hear: say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.
And a wise woman calleth out of the city, `Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near hither, and I speak unto thee.`
- 17** And when he was come near to her, the woman said, Art thou Joab? And he answered, I am he. Then she said to him, Hear the words of thy handmaid. And he answered, I do hear.
And he came near to her; and the woman said, Art thou Joab? And he said, I [am he]. And she said to him, Listen to the words of thy handmaic
And he said, I am listening.
And he cometh near unto her, and the woman saith, `Art thou Joab?` and he saith, `I [am].` And she saith to him, `Hear the words of thy handmaid;` and he saith, `I am hearing.`
- 18** Then she spoke, saying, They were wont to speak in old time, saying, They will surely ask counsel at Abel: and so they ended the matter.
And she spoke saying, They were wont to speak in old time saying, Just inquire in Abel; and so they ended.
and she speaketh, saying, `They spake often in former times, saying, Let them diligently ask at Abel, and so they finished.

- 19 I am one of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy a city and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou swallow up the inheritance of Yahweh?
I am peaceable [and] faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy a city and a mother in Israel. Why wilt thou swallow up the inheritance of Yahweh?
I [am] of the peaceable -- faithful ones of Israel; thou art seeking to destroy a city, and a mother in Israel; why dost thou swallow up the inheritance of Yahweh?
- 20 And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy.
And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy.
And Joab answereth and saith, `Far be it -- far be it from me; I do not swallow up nor destroy.
- 21 The matter is not so: but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, hath lifted up his hand against the king, even against David deliver him only, and I will depart from the city. And the woman said to Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee over the wall.
The matter is not so; but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, has lifted up his hand against the king, against David: give up him only, and I will depart from the city. And the woman said to Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee over the wall.
The matter [is] not so; for a man of the hill-country of Ephraim -- Sheba son of Bichri his name -- hath lifted up his hand against the king, against David; give ye up him by himself, and I go away from the city.` And the woman saith unto Joab, `Lo, his head is cast unto thee over the wall.`
- 22 Then the woman went to all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast it out to Joab. And he blew a trumpet, and they retired from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem to the king.
Then the woman went to all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast it to Joab. And he blew a trumpet, and they dispersed from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem to the king.
And the woman cometh unto all the people in her wisdom, and they cut off the head of Sheba son of Bichri, and cast [it] unto Joab, and he bloweth with a trumpet, and they are scattered from the city, each to his tents, and Joab hath turned back to Jerusalem unto the king.
- 23 Now Joab was over all the host of Israel: and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites:
And Joab was over all the host of Israel; and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites;
And Joab [is] over all the host of Israel, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada [is] over the Cherethite, and over the Pelethite,
- 24 And Adoram was over the tribute: and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder:
and Adoram was over the levy; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder;
and Adoram [is] over the tribute, and Jehoshaphat son of Ahilud [is] the remembrancer,
- 25 And Sheva was scribe: and Zadok and Abiathar were the priests:
and Sheva was scribe; and Zadok and Abiathar were priests;
and Sheva [is] scribe, and Zadok and Abiathar [are] priests,
- 26 And Ira also the Jairite was a chief ruler about David.
and Ira also, the Jairite, was David`s chief ruler.
and also, Ira the Jairite hath been minister to David.

- 1** Then there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David inquired of Yahweh. And Yahweh answered, It is for Saul, and for his bloody house, because he slew the Gibeonites.
And there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David inquired of Yahweh. And Yahweh said, It is for Saul, and for [his] house of blood, because he slew the Gibeonites.
And there is a famine in the days of David three years, year after year, and David seeketh the face of Yahweh, and Yahweh saith, `For Saul and for the bloody house, because that he put to death the Gibeonites.`
- 2** And the king called the Gibeonites, and said to them; (now the Gibeonites were not of the children of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn to them: and Saul sought to slay them, in his zeal to the children of Israel and Judah.)
And the king called the Gibeonites, and spoke to them. (Now the Gibeonites were not of the children of Israel, but of the remainder of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn to them; and Saul sought to smite them in his zeal for the children of Israel and Judah.)
And the king calleth for the Gibeonites, and saith unto them -- as to the Gibeonites, they [are] not of the sons of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorite, and the sons of Israel had sworn to them, and Saul seeketh to smite them in his zeal for the sons of Israel and Judah --
- 3** Wherefore David said to the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and with what shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless the inheritance of Yahweh?
And David said to the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and with what shall I make atonement, that ye may bless the inheritance of Yahweh? yea, David saith unto the Gibeonites, `What do I do for you? and with what do I make atonement? and bless ye the inheritance of Yahweh.`
- 4** And the Gibeonites said to him, We will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his house; neither for us shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall say, that will I do for you.
And the Gibeonites said to him, As to Saul and his house, it is with us no question of receiving silver or gold, neither is it for us to have any man put to death in Israel. And he said, What ye say will I do for you.
And the Gibeonites say to him, `We have no silver and gold by Saul and by his house, and we have no man to put to death in Israel;` and he saith `What ye are saying I do to you.`
- 5** And they answered the king, The man that consumed us, and that devised against us that we should be destroyed from remaining within the borders of Israel,
And they said to the king, The man that consumed us, and that devised against us that we should be destroyed from remaining in all the border of Israel,
And they say unto the king, `The man who consumed us, and who devised against us -- we have been destroyed from stationing ourselves in all the border of Israel --
- 6** Let seven men of his sons be delivered to us, and we will hang them up to Yahweh in Gibeah of Saul, whom Yahweh chose. And the king said, I will give them.
let seven men of his sons be given up to us, and we will hang them up to Yahweh in Gibeah of Saul, the chosen of Yahweh. And the king said, I will give [them].
let there be given to us seven men of his sons, and we have hanged them before Yahweh, in the height of Saul, the chosen of Yahweh.` And the king saith, `I do give;`

- 7** But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, because of Yahweh's oath that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.
But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of Yahweh's oath that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.
and the king hath pity on Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, son of Saul, because of the oath of Yahweh that [is] between them, between David and Jonathan son of Saul;
- 8** But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bore to Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite:
And the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she had borne to Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of [t sister of] Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she had borne to Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite;
and the king taketh the two sons of Rizpah daughter of Aiah, whom she bore to Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth, and the five sons of Michal daughter of Saul whom she bare to Adriel son of Barzillai the Meholathite,
- 9** And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them on the hill before Yahweh: and they fell all seven together, and were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first days, in the beginning of barley harvest.
and he gave them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them on the hill before Yahweh. And they fell all seven together, and were put to death in the first days of the harvest, in the beginning of barley harvest.
and giveth them into the hand of the Gibeonites, and they hang them in the hill before Yahweh; and the seven fall together, and they have been put to death in the days of harvest, in the first [days], the commencement of barley-harvest.
- 10** And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered neither the birds of the air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.
Then Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water poured on the out of the heavens, and suffered neither the fowl of the heavens to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.
And Rizpah daughter of Aiah taketh the sackcloth, and stretcheth it out for herself on the rock, from the commencement of harvest till water has been poured out upon them from the heavens, and hath not suffered a fowl of the heavens to rest upon them by day, or the beast of the field by night.
- 11** And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah the concubine of Saul had done.
And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done.
And it is declared to David that which Rizpah daughter of Aiah, concubine of Saul, hath done,
- 12** And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the men of Jabesh-gilead, who had stolen them from the street of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa:
And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the men of Jabesh-Gilead, who had stolen them from the open place of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, the day the Philistines had smitten Saul in Gilboa;
and David goeth and taketh the bones of Saul, and the bones of Jonathan his son, from the possessors of Jabesh-Gilead, who had stolen them from the broad place of Beth-Shan, where the Philistines hanged them, in the day of the Philistines smiting Saul in Gilboa;

- 13** And he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.
and he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.
and he bringeth up thence the bones of Saul, and the bones of Jonathan his son, and they gather the bones of those hanged,
- 14** And the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son they buried in the country of Benjamin in Zelah, in the sepulcher of Kish his father: and they performed all that the king commanded. And after that God was entreated for the land.
And they buried [them] with the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son in the country of Benjamin in Zela, in the sepulchre of Kish his father; and they did all that the king had commanded. And afterwards God was propitious to the land.
and bury the bones of Saul and of Jonathan his son in the land of Benjamin, in Zelah, in the burying-place of Kish his father, and do all that the king commanded, and God is entreated for the land afterwards.
- 15** Moreover, the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David became faint.
And the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought with the Philistines. And David was exhausted.
And again have the Philistines war with Israel, and David goeth down, and his servants with him, and they fight with the Philistines; and David is weary,
- 16** And Ishbi-benob, who was of the sons of the giant, the weight of whose spear was three hundred shekels of brass in weight, he being girded with new sword, thought to have slain David.
And Ishbibenob, who was of the children of Raphah -- the weight of his lance was three hundred shekels of bronze, and he was girded with new [armour] -- thought to smite David.
and Ishbi-Benob, who [is] among the children of the giant -- the weight of his spear [is] three hundred [shekels] weight of brass, and he is girded with a new one -- speaketh of smiting David,
- 17** But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succored him, and smote the Philistine, and killed him. Then the men of David swore to him, saying, Thou shalt go out no more with us to battle, that thou mayest not extinguish the light of Israel.
And Abishai the son of Zeruiah succored him, and smote the Philistine and killed him. Then the men of David swore to him, saying, Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle, that thou quench not the lamp of Israel.
and Abishai son of Zeruiah giveth help to him, and smiteth the Philistine, and putteth him to death; then swear the men of David to him, saying, `Thou dost not go out again with us to battle, nor quench the lamp of Israel.`
- 18** And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at Gob: then Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Saph, who was of the sons of the giant.
And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines, at Gob; then Sibbechai the Hushathite smote Saph, who was of the children of Raphah.
And it cometh to pass afterwards, that the battle is again in Gob with the Philistines, then hath Sibbechai the Hushathite smitten Saph, who [is] among the children of the giant.

- 19** And there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where Elhanan the son of Jaareoregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew the brother of Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear was like a weaver's beam.
 And there was again a battle at Gob with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jaare-oregim, a Bethlehemite, smote Goliath the Gittite; now the shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam.
 And the battle is again in Gob with the Philistines, and Elhanan son of Jaare-Oregim, the Beth-Lehemite, smiteth [a brother of] Goliath the Gittite and the wood of his spear [is] like a beam of weavers.
- 20** And there was yet a battle in Gath, where was a man of great stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to the giant.
 And there was again a battle, at Gath; and there was a man [there] of great stature, that had on each hand six fingers, and on each foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to Raphah.
 And the battle is again in Gath, and there is a man of stature, and the fingers of his hands [are] six, and the toes of his feet [are] six, twenty and four in number, and he also hath been born to the giant,
- 21** And when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimeah the brother of David slew him.
 And he defied Israel; but Jonathan the son of Shimeah David's brother smote him.
 and he reproacheth Israel, and smite him doth Jonathan son of Shimeah, brother of David;
- 22** These four were born to the giant in Gath, and fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.
 These four were born to Raphah, in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.
 these four have been born to the giant in Gath, and they fall by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.
- 1** And David spoke to Yahweh the words of this song in the day that Yahweh had delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul:
 And David spoke to Yahweh the words of this song in the day that Yahweh had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul.
 And David speaketh to Yahweh the words of this song in the day Yahweh hath delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul,
- 2** And he said, Yahweh is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
 And he said, Yahweh is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
 and he saith: `Yahweh [is] my rock, And my bulwark, and a deliverer to me,
- 3** The God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my preserver; thou savest me from violence.
 God is my rock, in him will I trust -- My shield, and the horn of my salvation, My high tower, and my refuge, My saviour: thou wilt save me from violence.
 My God [is] my rock -- I take refuge in Him; My shield, and the horn of my salvation, My high tower, and my refuge! My Saviour, from violence Thou savest me!

- 4 I will call on Yahweh, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon Yahweh, who is to be praised; So shall I be saved from mine enemies.
The Praised One, I call Yahweh: And from mine enemies I am saved.
- 5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly-men made me afraid;
For the waves of death encompassed me, Torrents of Belial made me afraid.
When the breakers of death compassed me, The streams of the worthless terrify me,
- 6 The sorrows of hell encompassed me; the snares of death seized me;
The bands of Sheol surrounded me; The cords of death encountered me;
The cords of Sheol have surrounded me, Before me have been the snares of death.
- 7 In my distress I called upon Yahweh, and cried to my God: and he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry entered into his ears.
In my distress I called upon Yahweh, And I cried to my God; And he heard my voice out of his temple, And my cry [came] into his ears.
In mine adversity I call Yahweh, And unto my God I call, And He heareth from His temple my voice, And my cry [is] in His ears,
- 8 Then the earth shook and trembled: the foundations of heaven moved and shook, because he was wroth.
Then the earth shook, and quaked; The foundations of the heavens trembled And shook because he was wroth.
And shake and tremble doth the earth, Foundations of the heavens are troubled, And are shaken, for He hath wrath!
- 9 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.
There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, And fire out of his mouth devoured: Coals burned forth from it.
Gone up hath smoke by His nostrils. And fire from His mouth devoureth, Brands have been kindled by it.
- 10 He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness was under his feet.
And he bowed the heavens, and came down; And darkness was under his feet.
And He inclineth heaven, and cometh down, And thick darkness [is] under His feet.
- 11 And he rode upon a cherub, and flew: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.
And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly; And he was seen upon the wings of the wind.
And He rideth on a cherub, and doth fly, And is seen on the wings of the wind.
- 12 And he made darkness pavilions around him, dark waters, and thick clouds of the skies.
And he made darkness round about him a tent, Gatherings of waters, thick clouds of the skies.
And He setteth darkness Round about Him -- tabernacles, Darkness of waters -- thick clouds of the skies.
- 13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.
From the brightness before him Burned forth coals of fire.
From the brightness before Him Were brands of fire kindled!

- 14** Yahweh thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.
Yahweh thundered from the heavens, And the Most High uttered his voice.
Thunder from the heavens doth Yahweh, And the Most High giveth forth His voice.
- 15** And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.
And he sent arrows, and scattered [mine enemies]; Lightning, and discomfited them.
And He sendeth forth arrows, And scattereth them; Lightning, and troubleth them;
- 16** And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were laid open, at the rebuking of Yahweh, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils.
And the beds of the sea were seen, The foundations of the world were uncovered At the rebuke of Yahweh, At the blast of the breath of his nostrils.
And seen are the streams of the sea, Revealed are foundations of the world, By the rebuke of Yahweh, From the breath of the spirit of His anger.
- 17** He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of many waters;
He reached forth from above, he took me, He drew me out of great waters;
He sendeth from above -- He taketh me, He draweth me out of many waters.
- 18** He delivered me from my strong enemy, from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me.
He delivered me from my strong enemy, From them that hated me; For they were mightier than I.
He delivereth me from my strong enemy, From those hating me, For they were stronger than I.
- 19** They fell upon me in the day of my calamity: but Yahweh was my support.
They encountered me in the day of my calamity; But Yahweh was my stay.
They are before me in a day of my calamity, And Yahweh is my support,
- 20** He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.
And he brought me forth into a large place; He delivered me, because he delighted in me.
And He bringeth me out to a large place, He draweth me out for He delighted in me.
- 21** Yahweh rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.
Yahweh hath rewarded me according to my righteousness, According to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.
Yahweh recompenseth me, According to my righteousness, According to the cleanness of my hands, He doth return to me.
- 22** For I have kept the ways of Yahweh, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
For I have kept the ways of Yahweh, And have not wickedly departed from my God.
For I have kept the ways of Yahweh, And have not done wickedly against my God.
- 23** For all his judgments were before me: and as for his statutes, I did not depart from them.
For all his ordinances were before me, And his statutes, I did not depart from them,
For all His judgments [are] before me, As to His statutes, I turn not from them.

- 24 I was also upright before him, and have kept myself from my iniquity.
And I was upright before him, And kept myself from mine iniquity.
And I am perfect before Him, And I keep myself from mine iniquity.
- 25 Therefore Yahweh hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness in his eye-sight.
And Yahweh hath recompensed me according to my righteousness, According to my cleanness in his sight.
And Yahweh returneth to me, According to my righteousness, According to my cleanness before His eyes.
- 26 With the merciful thou wilt show thyself merciful, and with the upright man thou wilt show thyself upright.
With the gracious thou dost shew thyself gracious; With the upright man thou dost shew thyself upright;
With the kind Thou shewest Thyself kind, With the perfect man Thou shewest Thyself perfect,
- 27 With the pure thou wilt show thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt contend.
With the pure thou dost shew thyself pure; And with the perverse thou dost shew thyself contrary.
With the pure Thou shewest Thyself pure, And with the perverse Thou shewest Thyself a wrestler.
- 28 And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thy eyes are upon the haughty, that thou mayest bring them down.
And the afflicted people thou dost save; And thine eyes are upon the haughty, [whom] thou bringest down.
And the poor people Thou dost save, And Thine eyes on the high causedst to fall.
- 29 For thou art my lamp, O Yahweh: and Yahweh will lighten my darkness.
For thou art my lamp, Yahweh; And Yahweh enlighteneth my darkness.
For Thou [art] my lamp, O Yahweh, And Yahweh doth lighten my darkness.
- 30 For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.
For by thee I have run through a troop; By my God have I leaped over a wall.
For by Thee I run -- a troop, By my God I leap a wall.
- 31 As for God, his way is perfect; the word of Yahweh is tried: he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.
As for ·God, his way is perfect; The word of Yahweh is tried: He is a shield to all that trust in him.
God! Perfect [is] His way, The saying of Yahweh is tried, A shield He [is] to all those trusting in Him.
- 32 For who is God, save Yahweh? and who is a rock, save our God?
For who is ·God, save Yahweh? And who is a rock, save our God?
For who is God save Yahweh? And who a Rock save our God?
- 33 God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect.
·God is my strong fortress, And he maketh my way perfectly smooth.
God -- my bulwark, [my] strength, And He maketh perfect my way;

- 34** He maketh my feet like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high places.
He maketh my feet like hinds' [feet], And setteth me upon my high places.
Making my feet like hinds, And on my high places causeth me to stand,
- 35** He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by my arms.
He teacheth my hands to war, And mine arms bend a bow of brass.
Teaching my hands for battle, And brought down was a bow of brass by mine arms,
- 36** Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath made me great.
And thou didst give me the shield of thy salvation, And thy condescending gentleness hath made me great.
And Thou givest to me the shield of Thy salvation, And Thy lowliness maketh me great.
- 37** Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet have not slipped.
Thou enlargedst my steps under me; And mine ankles did not slip.
Thou enlargest my step under me, And mine ankles have not slidden.
- 38** I have pursued my enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them.
I pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them, And I turned not again till they were consumed.
I pursue mine enemies and destroy them, And I turn not till they are consumed.
- 39** And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they have fallen under my feet.
And I have consumed them and have crushed them, and they rose not again; Yea, they fell under my feet.
And I consume them, and smite them, And they rise not, and fall under my feet.
- 40** For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou subdued under me.
And thou girdedst me with strength to battle: Thou didst subdue under me those that rose up against me.
And Thou girdest me [with] strength for battle, Thou causest my withstanders to bow under me.
- 41** Thou hast also given me the necks of my enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.
And mine enemies didst thou make to turn their backs unto me, And those that hated me I destroyed.
And mine enemies -- Thou givest to me the neck, Those hating me -- and I cut them off.
- 42** They looked, but there was none to save; even to Yahweh, but he answered them not.
They looked, and there was none to save -- Unto Yahweh, and he answered them not.
They look, and there is no saviour; Unto Yahweh, and He hath not answered them.
- 43** Then I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I stamped them as the mire of the street, and spread them abroad.
And I did beat them small as the dust of the earth, I trod them as the mire of the streets; I stamped upon them.
And I beat them as dust of the earth, As mire of the streets I beat them small -- I spread them out!

- 44 Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me to be head of the heathen: a people which I knew not shall serve me:
 And thou hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, Thou hast kept me to be head of the nations: A people I knew not doth serve me:
 And -- Thou dost deliver me From the strivings of my people, Thou placest me for a head of nations; A people I have not known do serve me.
- 45 Strangers shall submit themselves to me: as soon as they hear, they shall be obedient to me.
 Strangers come cringing unto me: At the hearing of the ear, they obey me.
 Sons of a stranger feign obedience to me, At the hearing of the ear they hearken to me.
- 46 Strangers shall fade away, and they shall tremble from their close places.
 Strangers have faded away, And they come trembling forth from their close places.
 Sons of a stranger fade away, And gird themselves by their close places.
- 47 Yahweh liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.
 Yahweh liveth; and blessed be my rock; And exalted be the God, the rock of my salvation,
 Yahweh liveth, and blessed [is] my Rock, And exalted is my God -- The Rock of my salvation.
- 48 It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me,
 The God who hath avenged me, And hath brought the peoples under me.
 God -- who is giving vengeance to me, And bringing down peoples under me,
- 49 And that bringeth me forth from my enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.
 He brought me forth from mine enemies: Yea, thou hast lifted me up above them that rose up against me; From the man of violence hast thou delivered me.
 And bringing me forth from mine enemies, Yea, above my withstanders Thou raisest me up. From a man of violence Thou deliverest me.
- 50 Therefore I will give thanks to thee, O Yahweh, among the heathen, and I will sing praises to thy name.
 Therefore will I give thanks to thee, Yahweh, among the nations, And will sing psalms to thy name.
 Therefore I confess Thee, O Yahweh, among nations. And to Thy name I sing praise.
- 51 He is the tower of salvation for his king: and he showeth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.
 [It is he] who giveth great deliverances to his king, And sheweth loving-kindness to his anointed, To David, and to his seed for evermore.
 Magnifying the salvations of His king, And doing loving-kindness to His anointed, To David, and to his seed -- unto the age!
- 1 Now these are the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man who was raised on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,
 Now these are the last words of David: David the son of Jesse saith, And the man who was raised up on high, The anointed of the God of Jacob,
 And the sweet psalmist of Israel saith,
 And these [are] the last words of David: -- `The affirmation of David son of Jesse -- And the affirmation of the man raised up -- Concerning the Anointed of the God of Jacob, And the Sweetness of the Songs of Israel:

- 2 The Spirit of Yahweh spoke by me, and his word was on my tongue.
The Spirit of Yahweh spoke by me, And his word was on my tongue.
The Spirit of Yahweh hath spoken by me, And His word [is] on my tongue.
- 3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spoke to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.
The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spoke to me, The ruler among men shall be just, Ruling in the fear of God;
He said -- the God of Israel -- to me, He spake -- the Rock of Israel: He who is ruling over man [is] righteous, He is ruling in the fear of God.
- 4 And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain.
And [he shall be] as the light or the morning, [like] the rising of the sun, A morning without clouds; [When] from the sunshine, after rain, The green grass springeth from the earth.
And as the light of morning he riseth, A morning sun -- no clouds! By the shining, by the rain, Tender grass of the earth!
- 5 Although my house is not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure: for this is all my salvation, and all my desire, although he maketh it not to grow.
Although my house be not so before God, Yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, Ordered in every way and sure; For [this is] all my salvation, and every desire, Although he make [it] not to grow.
For -- not so [is] my house with God; For -- a covenant age-during He made with me, Arranged in all things, and kept; For -- all my salvation, and all desire, For -- He hath not caused [it] to spring up.
- 6 But the sons of Belial shall be all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands:
But [the sons] of Belial [are] all of them as thorns thrust away, Because they cannot be taken with hands;
As to the worthless -- As a thorn driven away [are] all of them, For -- not by hand are they taken;
- 7 But the man that shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place.
And the man that will touch them provideth himself with iron and the staff of a spear; And they shall be utterly burned with fire in [their] place.
And the man who cometh against them Is filled with iron and the staff of a spear, And with fire they are utterly burnt In the cessation.`
- 8 These are the names of the mighty men whom David had: The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same was Adino the Eznite: he lifted up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.
These are the names of the mighty men whom David had: Joseb-Bassebeth, Tachkemonite the chief of the captains: he was Adino the Eznite; he [fought] against eight hundred, slain [by him] at one time.
These [are] the names of the mighty ones whom David hath: sitting in the seat [is] the Tachmonite, head of the captains -- he [is] Adino, who hardened himself against eight hundred -- wounded at one time.

- 9** And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there assembled to battle, and the men of Israel had gone away:
And after him, Eleazar the son of Dodo the son of an Ahohite: he was one of the three mighty men with David, when they had defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone up.
And after him [is] Eleazar son of Dodo, son of Ahohi, of the three mighty men with David; in their exposing themselves among the Philistines -- they have been gathered there to battle, and the men of Israel go up --
- 10** He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand adhered to the sword: and Yahweh wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to plunder.
He arose and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave to the sword; and Yahweh wrought a great deliverance that day, and the people returned after him only to spoil.
he hath arisen, and smiteth among the Philistines till that his hand hath been weary, and his hand cleaveth unto the sword, and Yahweh worketh great salvation on that day, and the people turn back after him only to strip off.
- 11** And after him was Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were collected into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentils: and the people fled from the Philistines.
And after him, Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite: the Philistines were gathered into a troop, and there was there a plot of ground full of lentils, and the people had fled before the Philistines;
And after him [is] Shammah son of Agee the Hararite, and the Philistines are gathered into a company, and there is there a portion of the field full of lentils, and the people hath fled from the presence of the Philistines,
- 12** But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and Yahweh wrought a great victory.
and he stood in the midst of the plot and delivered it, and smote the Philistines, and Yahweh wrought a great deliverance.
and he stationeth himself in the midst of the portion, and delivereth it, and smiteth the Philistines, and Yahweh worketh a great salvation.
- 13** And three of the thirty chiefs went down, and came to David in the harvest time to the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.
And three of the thirty chiefs went down, and came to David in the harvest time to the cave of Adullam, when the troop of the Philistines was encamped in the valley of Rephaim.
And three of the thirty heads go down and come unto the harvest, unto David, unto the cave of Adullam, and the company of the Philistines are encamping in the valley of Rephaim,
- 14** And David was then in a hold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Beth-lehem.
And David was then in the stronghold; and the Philistines' garrison was then at Bethlehem.
and David [is] then in a fortress, and the station of the Philistines [is] then in Beth-Lehem,
- 15** And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, which is by the gate!
And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me to drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is in the gate!
and David longeth and saith, `Who doth give me a drink of the water of the well of Beth-Lehem, which [is] by the gate?`

- 16** And the three mighty men broke through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink of it, but poured it out to Yahweh.
 And the three mighty men broke through the camp of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, which is in the gate, and too it, and brought it to David; however he would not drink of it, but poured it out to Yahweh.
 And the three mighty ones cleave through the camp of the Philistines, and draw water out of the well of Beth-Lehem, which [is] by the gate, and take [it] up, and bring in unto David; and he was not willing to drink it, and poureth it out to Yahweh,
- 17** And he said, Be it far from me, O Yahweh, that I should do this: is not this the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.
 And he said, Be it far from me, Yahweh, that I should do this thing! is it not the blood of the men that went at the risk of their lives? Therefore would not drink it. These things did the three mighty men.
 and saith, `Far be it from me, O Yahweh, to do this; is it the blood of the men who are going with their lives?` and he was not willing to drink it; these [things] did the three mighty ones.
- 18** And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief among three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred, and slew them, and had the name among three.
 And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was the chief of three; and he brandished his spear against three hundred and slew them; and he had a name among the three.
 And Abishai brother of Joab, son of Zeruiah, he [is] head of three, and he is lifting up his spear against three hundred -- wounded, and he hath a name among three.
- 19** Was he not most honorable of three? therefore he was their captain: yet he attained not to the first three.
 Was he not most honourable of three? and he was their captain; but he did not attain to the [first] three.
 Of the three is he not the honoured? and he becometh their head; and unto the [first] three he hath not come.
- 20** And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man, of Kabzeel, who had done many acts, he slew two lion-like men of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow:
 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, son of a valiant man, great in exploits, of Kabzeel: he it was that smote two lions of Moab; and he went down and smote a lion in the midst of a pit on a snowy day.
 And Benaiah son of Jehoiada (son of a man of valour, great in deeds from Kabzeel), he hath smitten two lion-like men of Moab, and he hath gone down and smitten the lion in the midst of the pit in a day of snow.
- 21** And he slew an Egyptian, a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.
 He also smote the Egyptian, an imposing man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.
 And he hath smitten the Egyptian man, a man of appearance, and in the hand of the Egyptian [is] a spear, and he goeth down unto him with a rod and taketh violently away the spear out of the hand of the Egyptian, and slayeth him with his own spear.

- 22 **These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had a name among three mighty men.**
These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and he had a name among the three mighty men.
These [things] hath Benaiah son of Jehoiada done, and hath a name among three mighty.
- 23 **He was more honorable than the thirty, but he attained not to the first three. And David set him over his guard.**
He was honoured above the thirty, but he did not attain to the [first] three. And David set him in his council.
Of the thirty he is honoured, and unto the three he came not; and David setteth him over his guard.
- 24 **Asahel the brother of Joab was one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,**
Asahel the brother of Joab was one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,
Asahel brother of Joab [is] of the thirty; Elhanan son of Dodo of Beth-Lehem.
- 25 **Shammah the Harodite, Elikah the Harodite,**
Shammah the Harodite, Elikah the Harodite,
Shammah the Harodite, Elikah the Harodite,
- 26 **Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,**
Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,
Helez the Paltite, Ira son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,
- 27 **Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,**
Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,
Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,
- 28 **Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,**
Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,
Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,
- 29 **Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin,**
Heleb the son of Baanah, the Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin,
Heleb son of Baanah the Netophathite, Ittai son of Ribai from Gibeah of the sons of Benjamin,
- 30 **Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash,**
Benaiah a Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash,
Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash,
- 31 **Abi-albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,**
Abi-albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,
Abi-Albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,

- 32** Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,
Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,
Eliahba the Shaalbonite, [of] the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,
- 33** Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite,
Shammah the Ararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Ararite,
Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam son of Sharar the Hararite,
- 34** Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,
Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,
Eliphelet son of Ahasbai, son of the Maachathite, Eliam son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,
- 35** Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,
Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,
Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,
- 36** Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani, the Gadite,
Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite,
Igal son of Nathan from Zobah, Bani the Gadite,
- 37** Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, armor-bearer to Joab the son of Zeruah,
Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, the armour-bearer of Joab the son of Zeruah,
Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, bearer of the weapons of Joab son of Zeruah,
- 38** Ira an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite,
Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
- 39** Uriah the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.
Uriah the Hittite: thirty-seven in all.
Uriah the Hittite; in all thirty and seven.
- 1** And again the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go number Israel and Judah.
And again the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them saying, Go, number Israel and Judah.
And the anger of Yahweh addeth to burn against Israel, and [an adversary] moveth David about them, saying, `Go, number Israel and Judah.`

- 2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, who was with him, Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the people.
 And the king said to Joab the captain of the host, who was with him, Go, I pray thee, through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and count the people, that I may know the number of the people.
 And the king saith unto Joab, head of the host that [is] with him, `Go to and fro, I pray thee, through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even unto Beer-Sheba, and inspect ye the people -- and I have known the number of the people.`
- 3 And Joab said to the king, Now Yahweh thy God add to the people, how many soever they may be, a hundred-fold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see it: but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing?
 And Joab said to the king, May Yahweh thy God even add to the people, how many soever they be, a hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see [it]; but why does my lord the king delight in this thing?
 And Joab saith unto the king, `Yea, Yahweh thy God doth add unto the people, as they are, a hundred times, and the eyes of my lord the king are seeing; and my lord the king, why is he desirous of this thing?`
- 4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel.
 But the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the army. And Joab and the captains of the army went out from the presence of the king to count the people of Israel.
 And the word of the king is severe towards Joab, and against the heads of the force, and Joab goeth out, and the heads of the force, [from] before the king to inspect the people, even Israel;
- 5 And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right side of the city that lieth in the midst of the river of Gad, and towards Jazer: And they passed over the Jordan, and encamped in Aroer, on the right side of the city that is in the midst of the ravine of Gad, and toward Jaazer.
 and they pass over the Jordan, and encamp in Aroer, on the right of the city that [is] in the midst of the brook of Gad, and unto Jazer,
- 6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the land of Tahtim-hodshi; and they came to Dan-jaan, and about to Zidon,
 And they came to Gilead, and to the land of Tahtim-hodshi; and came to Dan-jaan, and to the environs of Sidon;
 and they come in to Gilead, and unto the land of Tahtim-Hodshi, and they come in to Dan-Jaan, and round about unto Zidon,
- 7 And came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, even to Beer-sheba.
 and they came to the fortified city of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites and of the Canaanites; and went out to the south of Judah, to Beer-sheba.
 and they come in to the fortress of Tyre, and all the cities of the Hivite, and of the Canaanite, and go out unto the south of Judah, to Beer-Sheba.
- 8 So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days.
 And they went through all the land, and came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days.
 And they go to and fro through all the land, and come in at the end of nine months and twenty days to Jerusalem,

- 9 And Joab presented the sum of the number of the people to the king: and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah were five hundred thousand men.
And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people to the king; and there were of Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew sword; and the men of Judah were five hundred thousand men.
and Joab giveth the account of the inspection of the people unto the king, and Israel is eight hundred thousand men of valour, drawing sword, ar the men of Judah five hundred thousand men.
- 10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said to Yahweh, I have sinned greatly in what I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O Yahweh, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.
And David's heart smote him after he had numbered the people. And David said to Yahweh, I have sinned greatly in what I have done; and now I beseech thee, Yahweh, put away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.
And the heart of David smiteth him, after that he hath numbered the people, and David saith unto Yahweh, `I have sinned greatly in that which have done, and now, O Yahweh, cause to pass away, I pray Thee, the iniquity of Thy servant, for I have acted very foolishly.`
- 11 For when David had risen in the morning, the word of Yahweh came to the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying,
And when David arose in the morning, the word of Yahweh came to the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying,
And David riseth in the morning, and the word of Yahweh hath been unto Gad the prophet, seer of David, saying,
- 12 Go and say to David, Thus saith Yahweh, I offer thee three things; choose thee one of them, that I may do it to thee.
Go and say to David, Thus saith Yahweh: I impose on thee three [things]; choose one of them that I may do it unto thee.
`Go, and thou hast spoken unto David, Thus said Yahweh: Three -- I am lifting up for thee, choose thee one of them, and I do [it] to thee.`
- 13 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said to him, Shall seven years of famine come upon thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thy enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? Now consider, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me.
And Gad came to David, and told him, and said to him, Shall seven years of famine come to thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine adversaries while they pursue thee? or shall there be three days' pestilence in thy land? Now be aware and consider what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.
And Gad cometh in unto David, and declareth to him, and saith to him, `Do seven years of famine come in to thee in thy land? or three months a thou fleeing before thine adversary -- and he pursuing thee? or are three days' pestilence in thy land? now, know and see what word I take back Him sending me.`
- 14 And David said to Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of Yahweh; for his mercies are great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.
And David said to Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall, I pray thee, into the hand of Yahweh; for his mercies are great; but let me not fall into the hand of man.
And David saith unto Gad, `I have great distress, let us fall, I pray thee, into the hand of Yahweh, for many [are] His mercies, and into the hand man let me not fall.`

- 15** So Yahweh sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.
And Yahweh sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the set time; and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.
And Yahweh giveth a pestilence on Israel from the morning even unto the time appointed, and there die of the people, from Dan even unto Beer-Sheba, seventy thousand men,
- 16** And when the messenger stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, Yahweh turned from the evil, and said to the messenger that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thy hand. And the messenger of Yahweh was by the threshing-place of Araunah the Jebusite.
And the messenger stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it; but Yahweh turned him of the evil, and said to the messenger that destroyed among the people, It is enough: withdraw now thine hand. And the messenger of Yahweh was by the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite.
and the messenger putteth forth his hand to Jerusalem to destroy it, and Yahweh reformeth concerning the evil, and saith to the messenger who destroying among the people, `Enough, now, cease thy hand;` and the messenger of Yahweh was near the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite
- 17** And David spoke to Yahweh when he saw the messenger that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thy hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.
And David spoke to Yahweh when he saw the messenger that smote among the people, and said, Behold, it is I that have sinned, and it is I that have committed iniquity; but these sheep, what have they done? let thy hand, I pray thee, be on me, and on my father's house!
And David speaketh unto Yahweh, when he seeth the messenger who is smiting among the people, and saith, `Lo, I have sinned, yea, I have done perversely; and these -- the flock -- what have they done? Let, I pray Thee, Thy hand be on me, and on the house of my father.`
- 18** And Gad came that day to David, and said to him, Go up, rear an altar to Yahweh in the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite.
And Gad came that day to David, and said to him, Go up, rear an altar to Yahweh in the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite.
And Gad cometh in unto David on that day, and saith to him, `Go up, raise to Yahweh an altar in the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite;`
- 19** And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as Yahweh commanded.
And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as Yahweh had commanded.
and David goeth up, according to the word of Gad, as Yahweh commanded.
- 20** And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming towards him: And Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground.
And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on towards him; and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.
And Araunah looketh, and seeth the king and his servants passing over unto him, and Araunah goeth out and boweth himself to the king -- his face to the earth.

- 21** And Araunah said, Why is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshing-floor of thee, to build an altar to Yahweh that the plague may be stayed from the people.
And Araunah said, Why is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshing-floor of thee, to build an altar to Yahweh that the plague may be stayed from the people.
And Araunah saith, `Wherefore hath my lord the king come unto his servant?` and David saith, `To buy from thee the threshing-floor, to build an altar to Yahweh, and the plague is restrained from the people.`
- 22** And Araunah said to David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what seemeth good to him: behold, here are oxen for burnt-sacrifice, and threshing-instruments and other instruments of the oxen for wood.
And Araunah said to David, Let my lord the king take and offer up that which is good in his sight: see, [here are] oxen for the burnt-offering, and the threshing-sledges and implements of the oxen for wood.
And Araunah saith unto David, `Let my lord the king take and cause to ascend that which is good in his eyes; see, the oxen for a burnt-offering, and the threshing instruments, and the instruments of the oxen, for wood;`
- 23** All these things did Araunah, as a king, give to the king. And Araunah said to the king, Yahweh thy God accept thee.
All these things, O king, doth Araunah give to the king. And Araunah said to the king, Yahweh thy God accept thee.
the whole hath Araunah given, [as] a king to a king; and Araunah saith unto the king, `Yahweh thy God doth accept thee.`
- 24** And the king said to Araunah, No; but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt-offerings to Yahweh my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshing-floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.
And the king said to Araunah, No; but I will in any case buy [them] of thee at a price: neither will I offer up to Yahweh my God burnt-offering without cost. And David bought the threshing-floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.
And the king saith unto Araunah, `Nay, for I do surely buy from thee for a price, and I do not cause to ascend to Yahweh my God burnt-offering for nought;` and David buyeth the threshing-floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver,
- 25** And David built there an altar to Yahweh, and offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings. So Yahweh was entreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.
And David built there an altar to Yahweh, and offered up burnt-offerings and peace-offerings. And Yahweh was propitious to the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.
and David buildeth there an altar to Yahweh, and causeth to ascend burnt-offerings and peace-offerings, and Yahweh is entreated for the land, and the plague is restrained from Israel.