

## **OT Term2: Week 2**

Saul's kingship and death; David as a fugitive in the wilderness

1 Samuel 21 – 2 S 1; 1 Chronicles 12:1-22; Psalms of David - 7, 13, 17, 22, 25, 34, 35, 52, 54, 56, 57, 58, 63, 64, 109, 140, 141, 142.

1 Samuel 21

1-9 David comes to Nob, to Ahimelech the priest who gives him the consecrated bread and Goliath's sword; Doeg, Saul's servant was there.

10-15 He flees to Achish at Gath (in Philistine) where he pretends to be mad when he is recognised as a Philistine enemy.

Psalms 56

When the Philistines seized him in Gath, he prays, knowing God is with him.

Psalms 34

Praise for the Lord who saved him before Achish.

1 Samuel 22

1-2 He moves to the cave of Adullam; joined by family and 400 others.

Psalms 57 & 142

Cry for deliverance from persecutors when in the cave.

1 Chronicles 12:8-18

Strong men who joined David in the wilderness strongholds.

1 Samuel 22: 3-4 At Mizpah of Moab, he asks the king to care for his parents.

5 Admonished by Gad, he comes to Hebron in Judah.

Psalms 63

His soul thirsts for God and he finds joy with Him. Those who want to destroy him will die.

Psalms 64

A prayer for preservation from secret enemies to God who will cause their downfall.

1 Samuel 22:6-10 When Saul expresses concern about his servants' support, Doeg reveals about Ahimelech's aiding David.

11-16 Saul questions Ahimelech, orders the priests killed.

17-19 His guards refuse so Doeg kills all in the city.

20-23 Only Abiathar escapes; he brings news to David.

Psalms 52

written against Doeg and his boasting and evil ways.

Psalms 109

David wants the Lord to take vengeance on his accusers, while dealing kindly with him.

1 Samuel 23

1-5 David fights for Keilah; he saves it from the Philistines.

6-14 Through Abiathar, he learns from the Lord Keilah will betray him to Saul so he escapes into the wilderness of Ziph.

15-18 Jonathan meets with David, encourages him and renews their covenant at Horesh in Ziph.

19-23 The Ziphites betray David's presence to Saul.

Psalm 54

When the Ziphites told Saul, David asks God to save him.

1 Samuel 23: 25-28 At Maon, he narrowly escapes capture when Saul is recalled to defend Judah against a Philistine invasion.

29 David goes to Engedi.

Psalm 13

David appeals to the Lord for relief from his enemies but as always his trust is in the Lord.

Psalm 17

written when persecution was at its highest pitch, David appeals that his cause is a just one and calls on God to hear and protect him and bring his oppressors down.

Psalm 22

is a cry of anguish at persecution and an appeal for help; knowing God does deliver and praising Him for caring for the afflicted and as ruler of the nations. This psalm prophesies the persecution of Christ.

Psalm 35

Again he appeals to God to fight for him and destroy his enemies, who malign him and rejoice in his difficulties.

Psalm 58

he desires that the wicked be punished and vengeance be taken by the Lord.

1 Samuel 24

1-2 Saul pursues David again.

3-7 David and his men hide in a cave at Engedi; Saul enters; David secretly cuts Saul's robe but spares his life.

8-15 Showing himself, David declares his innocence to Saul.

16-22 Saul admits his fault, makes peace with David and departs.

1 Samuel 25

1 Samuel dies, Israel mourns. David goes to the wilderness of Paran.  
2-13 Having protected his men, David asks Nabal for provisions.  
9-13 When he refuses, David sets out to destroy him.  
14-31 Abigail, Nabal's wife intercedes for Nabal, appealing to David not to avenge for himself by shedding Nabal's blood.  
32-35 David takes her advice and gifts.  
36-38 Hearing of this, Nabal dies.  
39-43 David takes Abigail and Ahinoam as wives.  
44 Michal had been given to Palti by Saul.

#### Psalm 7

Under persecution, David asks the Lord to vindicate him against his attackers according to his integrity before the Lord.

#### Psalm 25

He prays for deliverance from his enemies; for instruction in the ways of the Lord; and for help in trouble.

#### Psalm 140

Under persecution, David prays for rescue and protection from evil men. He knows that the Lord cares for the afflicted and poor.

#### Psalm 141

He calls to God to guard his words and heart towards righteousness and to protect him from the wicked.

#### 1 Samuel 26

1-5 Informed by the Ziphites, Saul again pursues David at Hacilah.  
6-12 David and Abishai sneak into their camp and take Saul's spear and jug of water but spare Saul's life.  
13-20 From a distance, David admonishes Abner for not protecting Saul and asks Saul why he continues to chase him.  
21-25 Saul admits his sin against David.

#### 1 Samuel 27

1-4 David flees to Gath in Philistine.  
5-7 David asks Achish for Ziklag; stays for 1 yr & 4 mths.  
8-12 He raids other cities, telling Achish he fought Judah.

#### 1 Chronicles 12:1-7

The men who came to David at Ziklag

#### 1 Samuel 28

1-2 Achish, preparing to attack Israel, makes David his bodyguard.  
3-11 Saul fearful and unanswered by God, looks for a medium.  
8-15 He asks a witch at Endor to bring up Samuel to ask him what to do.  
16-19 The spirit of Samuel foretells his defeat and death by the Philistines.

20-25 Saul faints and the woman feeds him.

1 Samuel 29

1 The Philistines gather at Aphek against Israel at Jezreel.

2-5 David marches with Achish but the other Philistine lords send him away.

6-11 Achish although confident in him, dismisses David.

1 Chronicles 12:19-22

Men of Manasseh who defected to David when he was about to go to battle with the Philistines against Saul.

1 Samuel 30

1-3 David returns to find Ziklag burnt by the Amalekites and their women and children taken.

4-10 David and his men chase them, after asking the Lord.

11-20 A sick abandoned Amalekite slave directs David where to find the Amalekites; whom he slaughters, rescuing the families.

21-25 David divides the spoil among those who fought and those who stayed back because of fatigue.

26-31 He sends gifts to other Israelite cities who supported him

1 Samuel 31 // 1 Chronicles 10:1-12\*\*

1-6 At the battle against the Philistines, the Israelites are defeated; Saul's sons die and Saul and his armour bearer kill themselves.

7 The Philistines possess the cities the Israelites desert.

8-10 Finding Saul and his sons' bodies, they parade them.

11-13 The people of Jabesh-gilead recover the bodies, burn them and mourn their deaths.

\*\* Note: 1 Chronicles 10: 13-14 comments on Saul's life and the sin that resulted in his death and the removal of the kingdom from him to David.