

1 SAMUEL CHAPTER 18

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⁶ And women came out to meet David from all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, with timbrels, and with rejoicing, and with cymbals. ⁷ And the women began *this song*, and said, "Saul has slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands." ⁸ And it seemed evil in the eyes of Saul concerning this matter, and he said, "To David they have given ten thousands, and to me they have given thousands?"

⁹ (This verse omitted in LXX)

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¹² Now Saul was afraid on account of David. ¹³ And he removed *David* from *before* him, and made him a captain of a thousand for himself; and he went out and came in before the people. ¹⁴ And David was prudent in all his ways, and the Lord was with him. ¹⁵ And Saul saw that he was very wise, and he was afraid of him. ¹⁶ And all Israel and Judah loved David, because he came in and went out before the people.

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²⁰ And Michal, Saul's daughter, loved David. And it was told Saul, and the thing was pleasing in his eyes. ²¹ And Saul said, "I will give her to him, and she shall be a stumbling block to him." Now the hand of the Philistines was against Saul.

²² And Saul charged his servants, saying, "Speak privately to David, saying, 'Behold, the king delights in you, and all his servants love you. Now therefore, become the king's son-in-law.'" ²³ And the servants of Saul spoke these words in the ears of David. And David said, "*Is it a light thing in your eyes to become son-in-law to the king? Seeing I am a humble man, and not honorable?*" ²⁴ And Saul's servants reported to him according to these words which David spoke. ²⁵ And Saul said, "Thus shall you speak to David: 'The king wants no gift but one hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to avenge himself on the king's enemies.'" Now Saul thought to cast him into the hands of the Philistines. ²⁶ And Saul's servants reported these words to David, and David was well pleased to become the son-in-law to the king. ²⁷ And David arose, and went, he and his men, and killed among the Philistines ¹one hundred men. And he brought their foreskins, and he became the king's son-in-law, and *Saul* gave him Michal his daughter as a wife.

²⁸ And Saul saw that the Lord was with David, and that all Israel loved him. ²⁹ And he was yet more afraid of David.

³⁰ (This verse omitted in LXX)

¹ Masoretic text has *two hundred*