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1 ¶ Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;

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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.

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3 And David said unto him, From whence comest thou? And he said unto him, Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped.

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4 And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he answered, That the people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.

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5 And David said unto the young man that told him, How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son be dead?

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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.

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7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, Here *am* I.

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8 And he said unto me, Who *art* thou? And I answered him, I *am* an Amalekite.

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9 He said unto 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.

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10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he was fallen: and I took the crown that *was* upon his head, and the bracelet

that was on his arm, and have brought them hither unto my lord.

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11 ¶ Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that *were* with him:

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12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

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13 And David said unto the young man that told him, Whence *art* thou? And he answered, I *am* the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.

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14 And David said unto him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand to destroy the LORD'S anointed?

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15 And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, *and* fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.

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16 And David said unto him, Thy blood *be* upon thy head; for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I have slain the LORD'S anointed.

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17 ¶ And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

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18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow: behold, *it is* written in the book of Jasher.)

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19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!

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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.

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21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, *let there be* no dew, neither *let there be* 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.

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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.

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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.

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24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with *other* delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

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25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, *thou wast* slain in thine high places.

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26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

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27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!