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[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_01 And David fled from Naioth in Ramah , And came And said before Jonathan , what have I done ? what \[ Is \] mine iniquity ? And what \[ Is \] my sin before thy Father , that he seeketh my life ?](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_02 And he said unto him , God forbid ; thou shalt not die : behold , my Father will do nothing either great or small , but that he will show it me : And why should my Father hide this thing from me ? it \[ Is \] not \[ So \] .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_03 And David sware moreover , And said , thy Father certainly knoweth that I have found grace in thine eyes ; And he saith , let not Jonathan know this , lest he be grieved : but truly \[ as \] the LORD liveth , And \[ as \] thy soul liveth , \[ there Is \] but A step between me And death .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_04 Then said Jonathan unto David , whatsoever thy soul desireth , I will even do \[ it \] for thee .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_05 And David said unto Jonathan , behold , to morrow \[ Is \] the new moon , And I should not fail to sit with the king at meat : but let me go , that I may hide myself in the field unto the third \[ day \] at even .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_06 if thy Father at all miss me , Then say , David earnestly asked \[ leave \] of me that he might run to Bethlehem his city : for \[ there Is \] A yearly sacrifice there for all the family .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_07 if he say thus , \[ it Is \] Well ; thy servant shall have peace : but if he be very wroth , \[ Then \] be sure that evil Is determined by him .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_08 therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant ; for thou hast brought thy servant into A covenant of the LORD with thee : Notwithstanding , if there be in me iniquity , slay me thyself ; for why shouldest thou bring me to thy Father ?](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_09 And Jonathan said , far be it from thee : for if I knew certainly that evil were determined by my Father to come upon thee , Then would not I tell it thee ?](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_10 Then said David to Jonathan , who shall tell me ? or what \[ if \] thy Father answer thee roughly ?](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_11 And Jonathan said unto David , come , And let us go out into the field . And they went out Both of them into the field .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_12 And Jonathan said unto David , O LORD God of Israel , when I have sounded my Father about to morrow any time , \[ or \] the third \[ day \] , And , behold , \[ if there be \] good toward David , And I Then send not unto thee , And show it thee ;](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_13 the LORD do So And much more to Jonathan : but if it please my Father \[ to do \] thee evil , Then I will show it thee , And send thee away , that thou mayest go in peace : And the LORD be with thee , as he hath been with my Father .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live show me the kindness of the LORD , that I die not :](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_20\\_15 but \[ also \] thou shalt not cut off thy kindness from my house for ever : no , not when the LORD hath cut off the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth .](#)

09\_1SA\_20\_16 So Jonathan made [ A covenant ] with the house of David , [ saying ] , let the LORD even require [ it ] at the hand of David's enemies .

09\_1SA\_20\_17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again , because he loved him : for he loved him as he loved his own soul .

09\_1SA\_20\_18 Then Jonathan said to David , to morrow [ Is ] the new moon : And thou shalt be missed , because thy seat will be empty .

09\_1SA\_20\_19 And [ when ] thou hast stayed three days , [ Then ] thou shalt go down quickly , And come to the place where thou didst hide thyself when the business was [ in hand ] , And shalt remain by the stone Ezel .

09\_1SA\_20\_20 And I will shoot three arrows on the side [ thereof ] , as though I shot at A Mark .

09\_1SA\_20\_21 And , behold , I will send A lad , [ saying ] , go , find out the arrows . if I expressly say unto the lad , behold , the arrows [ are ] on this side of thee , take them ; Then come thou : for [ there Is ] peace to thee , And no hurt ; [ as ] the LORD liveth .

09\_1SA\_20\_22 but if I say thus unto the young man , behold , the arrows [ are ] beyond thee ; go thy way : for the LORD hath sent thee away .

09\_1SA\_20\_23 And [ as touching ] the matter which thou And I have spoken of , behold , the LORD [ be ] between thee And me for ever .

09\_1SA\_20\_24 So David hid himself in the field : And when the new moon was come , the king sat him down to eat meat .

09\_1SA\_20\_25 And the king sat upon his seat , as at other times , [ even ] upon A seat by the wall : And Jonathan arose , And Abner sat by Saul's side , And David's place was empty .

09\_1SA\_20\_26 Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day : for he thought , something hath befallen him , he [ Is ] not clean ; surely he [ Is ] not clean .

09\_1SA\_20\_27 And it came to pass on the morrow , [ which was ] the second [ day ] of the month , that David's place was empty : And Saul said unto Jonathan his son , Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat , neither yesterday , nor to day ?

09\_1SA\_20\_28 And Jonathan answered Saul , David earnestly asked [ leave ] of me [ to go ] to Bethlehem :

09\_1SA\_20\_29 And he said , let me go , I pray thee ; for our family hath A sacrifice in the city ; And my brother , he hath commanded me [ to be there ] : And now , if I have found favour in thine eyes , let me get away , I pray thee , And see my brethren . therefore he cometh not unto the king's table .

09\_1SA\_20\_30 Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan , And he said unto him , thou son of the perverse rebellious [ woman ] , do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion , And unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness ?

09\_1SA\_20\_31 for as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground , thou shalt not be established , nor thy kingdom . Wherefore now send And fetch him unto me , for he shall surely die .

09\_1SA\_20\_32 And Jonathan answered Saul his Father , And said unto him , Wherefore shall he be slain ? what hath he done ?

09\_1SA\_20\_33 And Saul cast A javelin at him to smite him : whereby Jonathan knew that it was

determined of his Father to slay David .

09\_1SA\_20\_34 So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger , And did eat no meat the second day of the month : for he was grieved for David , because his Father had done him shame .

09\_1SA\_20\_35 And it came to pass in the morning , that Jonathan went out into the field at the time appointed with David , And A little lad with him .

09\_1SA\_20\_36 And he said unto his lad , run , find out now the arrows which I shoot . [ And ] as the lad ran , he shot an arrow beyond him .

09\_1SA\_20\_37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot , Jonathan cried after the lad , And said , [ Is ] not the arrow beyond thee ?

09\_1SA\_20\_38 And Jonathan cried after the lad , make speed , haste , stay not . And Jonathan's lad gathered up the arrows , And came to his master .

09\_1SA\_20\_39 but the lad knew not any thing : only Jonathan And David knew the matter .

09\_1SA\_20\_40 And Jonathan gave his artillery unto his lad , And said unto him , go , carry [ them ] to the city .

09\_1SA\_20\_41 [ And ] as soon as the lad was gone , David arose out of [ A place ] toward the south , And fell on his face to the ground , And bowed himself three times : And they kissed one another , And wept one with another , until David exceeded .

09\_1SA\_20\_42 And Jonathan said to David , go in peace , Forasmuch as we have sworn Both of us in the name of the LORD , saying , the LORD be between me And thee , And between my seed And thy seed for ever . And he arose And departed : And Jonathan went into the city .