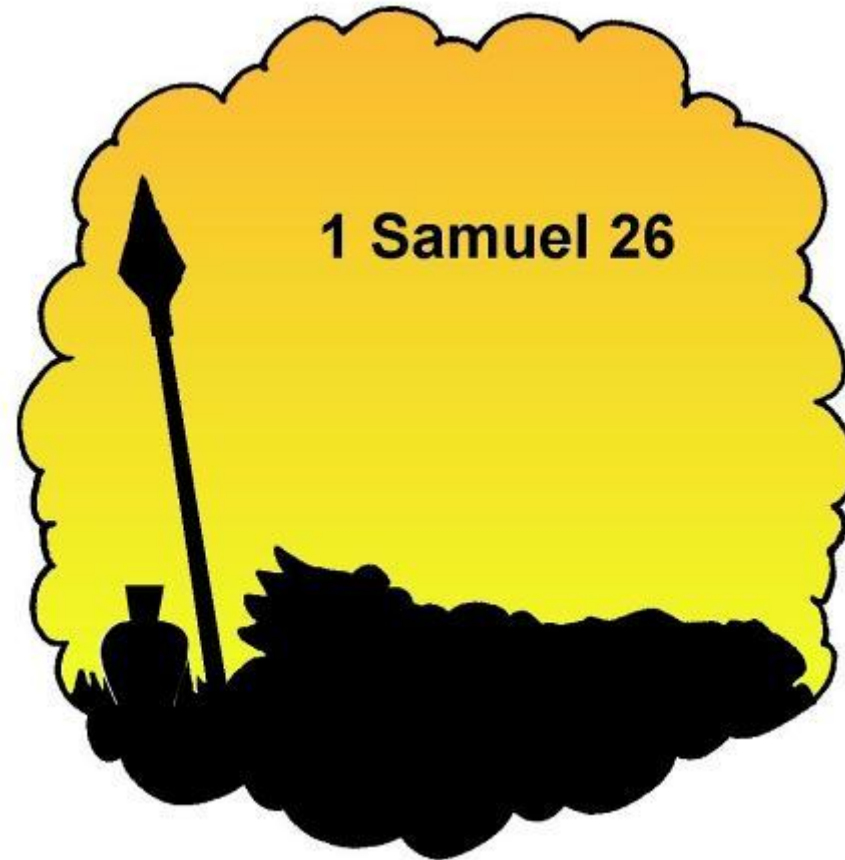


David Doesn't Hurt King Saul

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King Saul was jealous of David
and wanted to get rid of him.
All day he searched, but he couldn't find him,
because God kept David safe.



That night, when everyone was asleep,
David and his friend Abishai,
came creeping, very quietly,
closer and closer to King Saul.



King Saul was fast asleep and so were the soldiers who guarded him. They didn't even wake up, because they were in such a deep sleep.



When Abishai wanted to kill King Saul.
David said, “No! Don’t hurt him!
Saul was chosen by God to be King
and we must respect him.”



“We will take the King’s spear
and water jar so he will know
that we have been here.
We just want to make peace.”



The next morning David shouted to King Saul,
“Look! We have your spear and water jar!
We could have hurt you last night,
but we know God chose you to be King.”



King Saul was sorry he had been jealous
of David and stopped chasing him.
Because David was kind
to his enemy, there was peace.