



Introduction

David's reaction to Saul's death.



Questions

1. What bad news did the young man from Saul's camp give to David?
2. What did the young man tell David he had done?
3. Why did David kill the young man who brought him the crown?



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 5** A messenger tells David (see theme) that Saul and his son Jonathan have both been killed by the Philistines in a battle at Mount Gilboa (see map)
- **v 6 to 16** The messenger tells lies about Saul's death hoping to be rewarded for killing David's enemy. Instead he arouses David's anger by saying that he has killed the LORD's anointed
- **v 17 to 27** David's lament for Saul and for Jonathan his close friend

Timeline 1050 BC (see below)



Theme / Information

Bible characters - David

A selection of verses about Israel's second king - David:

When God rejected Saul, the first king of Israel, God told him why his successor had been chosen:

1 Samuel 13 verse 14

David had great faith and trust in God. When he approached Goliath, whom, naturally speaking, he had little hope of beating in a fight, he said:

1 Samuel 17 verses 45 to 47

David said he would become king when God decided the time was right. When he had the opportunity of killing Saul and becoming king, he wouldn't take things into his own hands:

1 Samuel 26 verses 9 and 10

God made some important promises to David:

1 Chronicles 17 verses 11 to 14

The offspring referred to is the Lord Jesus Christ. His mother Mary was told:

Luke 1 verses 31 to 33



Israel in the time of the kings

Map showing some places mentioned in the time of the kings of Israel including Mount Gilboa. A question mark after a place name indicates that the exact location is not certain:





? Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 4, Q 2: v 10, Q 3: v 16

Bible timeline

