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The Story of David
⑨ Israel Divided



Narration King Saul of Israel lost badly in the Battle of Gilboa and his three sons were killed. The enemy, the Philistines pressed hard after Saul and the fighting grew fierce around him such that he could not win or hold his ground anymore.

Saul This is the end...

Narration King Saul takes his own sword and falls on it.



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Soldier Admiral David!

David Who are you and where have you come from?

Soldier I am a soldier who barely survived the battle against the Philistines.

David What is the update on the batter against the Philistines?

Soldier Israel's army has been defeated and many of its soldiers have either died or fled. King Saul and his son Jonathan have perished.



David What? How do you know Saul and Jonathan have perished?

Soldier When I met up with King Saul on Mount Gilboa, King Saul was seriously injured and in a very dangerous situation. Just then, bent over, King Saul said to me..



Saul It pains me that I am this injured yet cannot die.
So draw your sword and run me through.

Soldier And so, knowing he could no longer live, I killed him and so, here, I have brought you the crown and bracelet.

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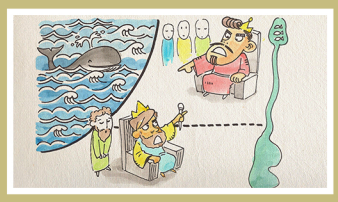
David (wails in deep sorrow) Noooooooooooo~~~~~~!!

David's Servants (crying loudly together)



David How dare you kill God's chosen, the king of Israel, and fearlessly boast of the same as if you have done a meritorious deed? You shall not be spared!





Soldier	Huh!
Narration	David and his men wept in grief. Sorrowful about the death of King Saul and Jonathan and the defeat of Israel, David and his men wept and ate nothing until sunset.
David's Servants	(the sound of crying fades gradually)
Narration	The battle thus ended and the people of Judah came to David. They anointed David king over the house of Judah. Of the 12 tribes of Israel, Judah in the south was ruled by David and the remaining 11 tribes in the north were ruled by Saul's son Ish-Bosheth. And so Israel became divided into the north and south for a while. It was a chaotic time as the two kings battled against each other.