



THE MAKING OF THE KING

I SAMUEL



A House Divided



1 Samuel 18:1-19:1



**There is no neutral reaction to the
rise of God's anointed.**



1 Samuel 18:1-5 (ESV)

As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. ² And Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. ³ Then Jonathan made a covenant with David,



1 Samuel 18:1-5 (ESV)

because he loved him as his own soul. ⁴ And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was on him and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. ⁵ And David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him,



1 Samuel 18:1-5 (ESV)

so that Saul set him over the men of war. And this was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.



1 Samuel 18:6-9 (ESV)

As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments.



1 Samuel 18:6-9 (ESV)

⁷ And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, “Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands.” ⁸ And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said,



1 Samuel 18:6-9 (ESV)

“They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom?”⁹ And Saul eyed David from that day on.



James 4:1-3 (ESV)

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ² You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel.



James 4:1-3 (ESV)

You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.



1 Samuel 18:12-19 (ESV)

Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him but had departed from Saul. ¹³ So Saul removed him from his presence and made him a commander of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people. ¹⁴ And David had success in all his undertakings,



1 Samuel 18:12-19 (ESV)

for the LORD was with him. ¹⁵ And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him. ¹⁶ But all Israel and Judah loved David, for he went out and came in before them. ¹⁷ Then Saul said to David, “Here is my elder daughter Merab. I will give her to you for a wife.



1 Samuel 18:12-19 (ESV)

Only be valiant for me and fight the LORD's battles." For Saul thought, "Let not my hand be against him, but let the hand of the Philistines be against him." ¹⁸ And David said to Saul, "Who am I, and who are my relatives, my father's clan in Israel, that I should be son-in-law to the king?"



1 Samuel 18:12-19 (ESV)

¹⁹ But at the time when Merab, Saul's daughter, should have been given to David, she was given to Adriel the Meholathite for a wife.



1 Samuel 18:28 (ESV)

But when Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that Michal, Saul's daughter, loved him, ²⁹ Saul was even more afraid of David. So, Saul was David's enemy continually.



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