

A script from



## **“David the Seeker”**

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- What** The story of David and his army being chased by King Saul.  
**Themes:** God’s anointed, Doing what’s right, David, King Saul, Doeg the Edomite, Obedience, Faithfulness, Trusting God, Kids Church
- Who**
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| Scribe                               | King Saul’s Official #2              |
| Voice of God                         | King Saul’s Guards (audience extras) |
| David                                | David’s Man #1,                      |
| David’s Army (A few audience extras) | David’s Man #2                       |
| King Saul                            | Jonathan                             |
| Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter       | Abiathar                             |
| King Saul’s Official #1              | Messenger                            |
- When** Biblical times
- Wear (Props)** Regular clothes or Biblical attire. King Saul must wear a kingly robe and crown, swords, spears and shields. Try and use "found" things as much as possible, like a light saber for a sword or a Spiderman bed sheet for a kingly robe.
- Why** Samuel 22-23
- How** King Saul is clearly going crazy and is paranoid. This skit has a big cast but several parts could be played by the same person/different costume. Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter is meant to resemble the TV show personality Dog the Bounty Hunter.
- Anytime you perform for children, it should be high energy and a little over-the-top.
- Time** Approximately 3-5 minutes

*The scene opens with **Saul** sitting under a "tamarisk tree" on a hill with all of his officials standing by his side. **Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter** is also standing beside him but on the opposite side. He stands with his arms crossed. The **Scribe** addresses the audience first, setting up the scene.*

**Scribe:** *(Addressing the audience, upbeat)* Greetings. I am Thaddeus, scribe to King David. You remember King David, don't you? You probably remember his epic battle against the giant Philistine, Goliath. He was but a small shepherd boy at the time. *(Brief pause)* I thought you might. Who could forget that one? Many of King David's epic battles happened before he ever took the throne. Most of them were either with animals who were after his sheep or with King Saul. Why? Well, King Saul had stopped obeying God and God replaced King Saul with young David. Well, as you can imagine, Saul wasn't very happy about this; so, he chased David trying to kill him. And that, my friends, is where our story today begins. *(He/She steps off to the side and watches the scene happen.)*

**Saul:** *(Uses his spear to point at the officials around him. This, of course makes them jumpy yet they have to "try" to stay at attention. **Doeg** doesn't react)* Listen, men of Benjamin! Will David, the son of Jesse, give all of you fields and vineyards? Will HE make all of you commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds? Is that why you all have conspired against me? No one tells me when my son, Jonathan, makes a covenant with the son of Jesse. *(In a whiny voice)* None of you care enough to tell me that this very day, my own son has conspired with David against me. *(Whimpers a bit and chews his robe sleeve.)*

**Doeg:** I saw David come to the Priest at Nob. The Priest spoke to the Lord for him. He also gave him food and supplies and the sword of Goliath the Philistine.

**Saul:** The Priests of Nob will pay for their...their...oh, what's the word?

**Official 1:** Un-niceness?

**Saul:** No! Is that even a word?

**Official 2:** New hats!

**Saul:** No! Well, yes, they do need to pay for their new hats. Send them an invoice. Where was I?

**Official 1:** You were trying to think of a word for the Priests UN-NICENESS *(Emphasizing his word as if trying to encourage the king that it is a good word).*

**Saul:** Oh yes, yes, yes. Un-niceness? Anyway, they know what they did.  
Guards!

*A few guards come marching up. Very distinguished looking until **Saul** commands them to kill the priests. Several of them muttering at the same time, clearly afraid.*

**Saul:** Kill all the Priests of the Lord because they too have sided with David. They knew David was running from me, yet they did not tell me.

**Guard #1:** Sire, we can't because we...well, there's this thing that we...um well, they are the Lord's priests.

**Saul:** Oh, never mind! I don't have time for such nonsense. Doeg! Go and strike down the Priests of Nob.

**Doeg:** Sometimes even though you win-you lose. (*Doeg turns and leaves.*)

**Saul:** I don't really understand him but he's a great henchman. (*To the Guards*) And, as for you cowards. (*He chases them out of the room- all exit.*)

*Light goes up over David's Camp.*

***Abiathar** sneaks. **David** also approaches to intercept him. They should enter from opposite sides.*

**David:** Abiathar, I heard what Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter has done. I knew that day when Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter entered the temple the day I was there that he would be sure to tell Saul. It is my fault your whole family is dead. Stay with me. Doeg the Edomite Bounty Hunter, who wants to kill you, is trying to kill me too. You will be safe with me.

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**ENDING:**

**Mesngr:** (*You can ham this up by having the **Messenger** panting out of breath and taking a while to get the message out*) Come quickly! The Philistines are raiding the land.

**Saul:** Fall back men. We must defeat the Philistines. David, son of Jesse, will have to wait for another day.

**David:** Look men, they are leaving. God has saved us again!

**Scribe:** *(Steps back into the scene and addresses the audience)* See what I mean? King Saul really had it out for young David. But did you notice? David always obeyed God and God protected him. That's what made King David such a great Ruler for Israel! Well, my friends, I must go and write more tales to share with you another day!

*Lights out. The end.*