

David Finds King Saul Asleep In A Cave

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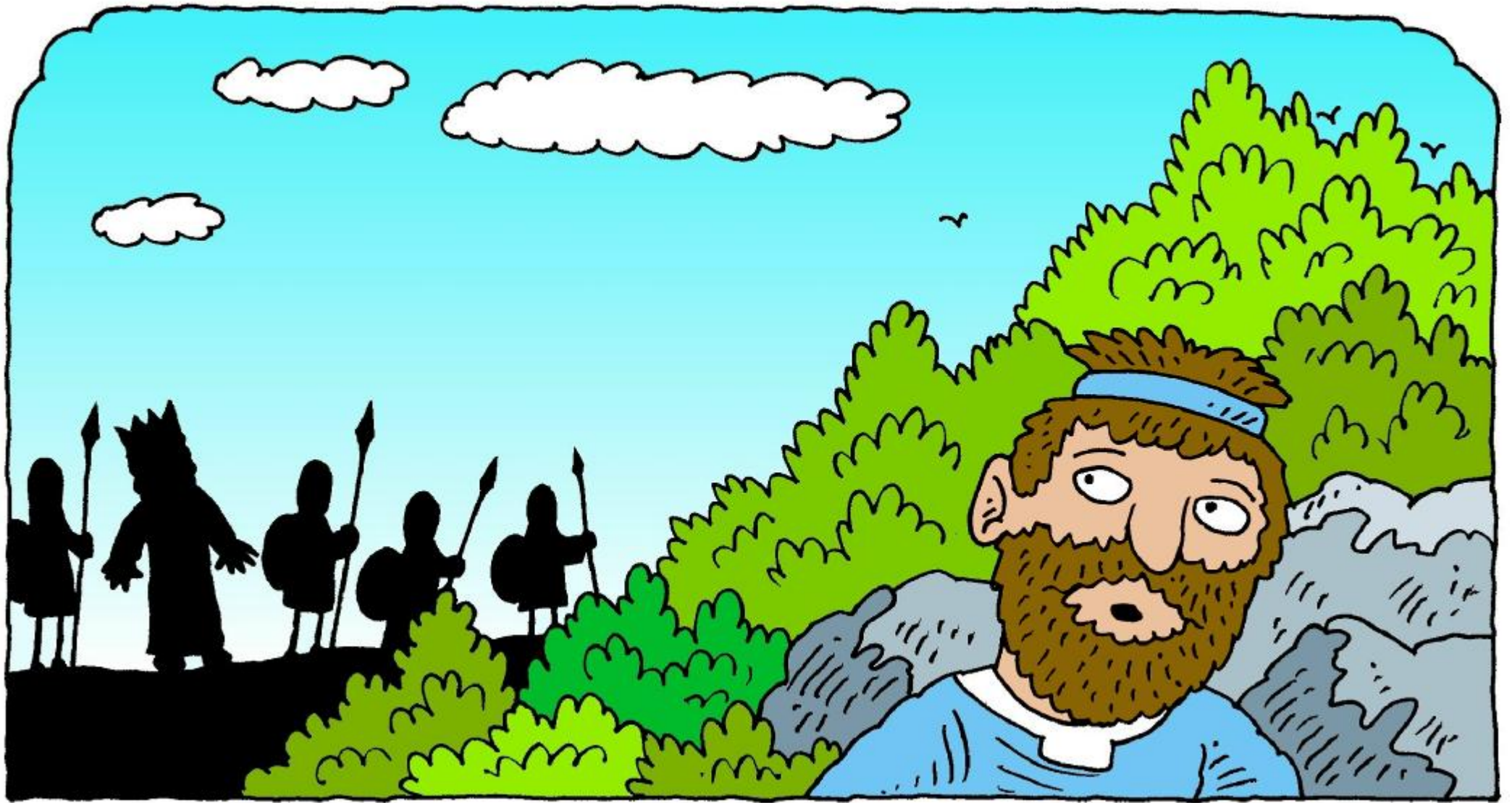
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1 Samuel chapter 24





King Saul was jealous of David.
One day he heard where David was hiding,
so he took three thousand soldiers
and went to catch him.



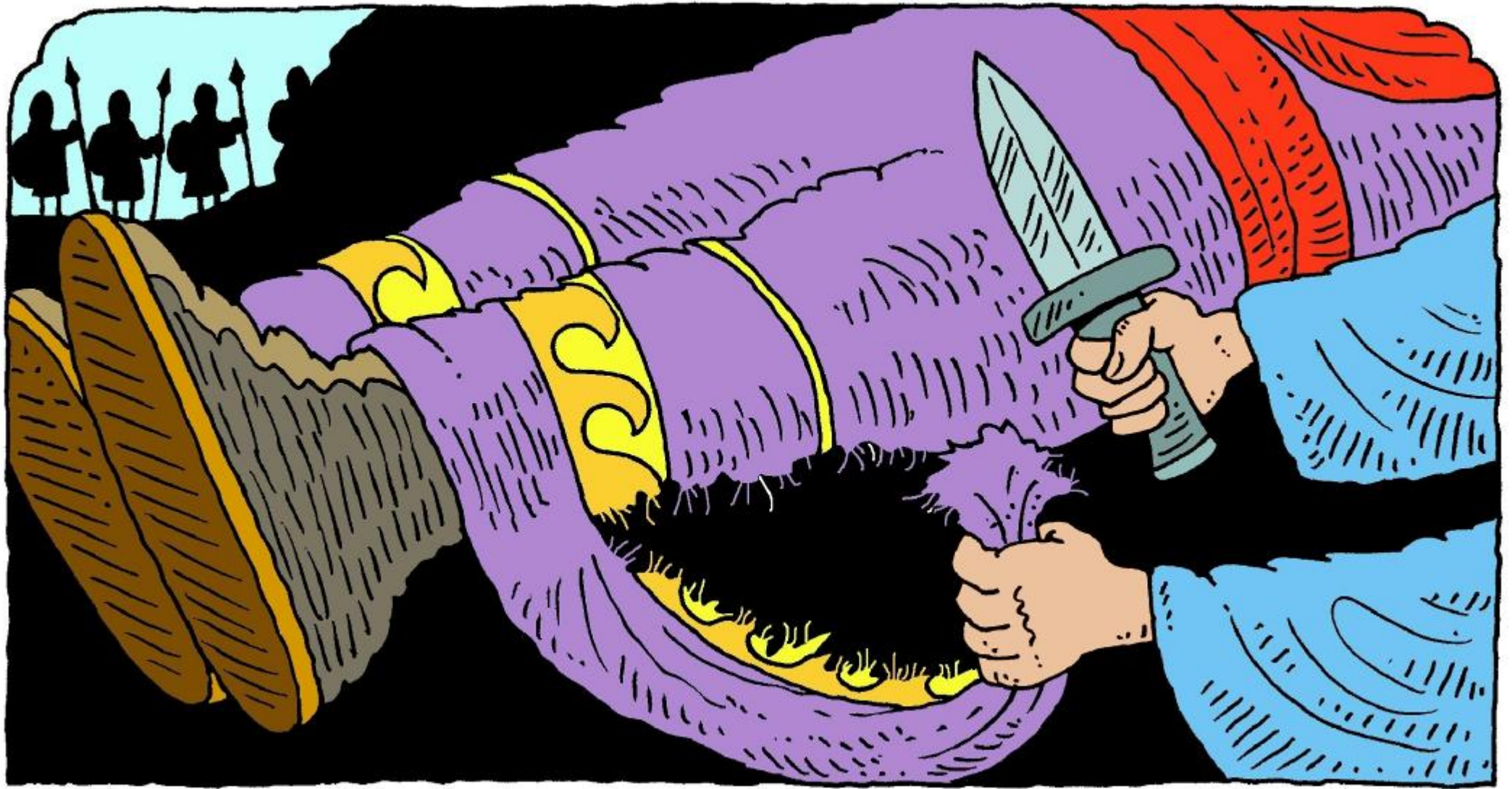
When David heard the king
and his army were coming,
he and his soldiers hid in a
cave, where they were safe.



But King Saul was very tired
and went into the same cave to rest,
while his soldiers stood guard outside.
David and his men kept very quiet.



When King Saul was fast asleep,
David's men whispered,
"Here is your chance!
Kill your enemy, before he hurts you!"



But David didn't want to hurt the King.
He just wanted King Saul to stop chasing him.
So, he took out his knife and cut a piece
of material from the King's clothes.



After the King left the cave David shouted,
“King Saul, I could have killed you,
while you were sleeping, but I only
cut your coat. See how close I was.”



King Saul knew that David
had saved his life and promised
not to chase him anymore.
David had honored God's chosen King.