

Texts for Scriptural Reasoning

David

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King David

Story found between I Samuel 16 & I Kings 2 (= 42 chapters!)
Paralleled in I Chronicles 2-29 (= 28 chapters!)

Family background

Great-grandson of Ruth, a Moabite woman, and Boaz (Ruth 4)
Youngest of 8 brothers
Raised as shepherd

Anointing and friendship with King Saul

Anointed by prophet Samuel to succeed Saul (I Samuel 16)
Musician to Saul (I Samuel 16)
Killed Goliath the Philistine in battle (I Samuel 17)

The hostility of Saul

Saul tries to eliminate David (I Samuel 18, 19)
Friendship with Saul's son Jonathan (I Samuel 18-20)

Flight from Saul (I Samuel 19-31)

David establishes an independent military force to defend outlying communities
Spares Saul's life twice
Allies with Philistines, but not required to fight Saul's forces, Saul killed in battle by Philistines (I Samuel 31, II Samuel 1)

King in Hebron for 7 years (II Samuel 2-4)

Ruler of 2 southern tribes
Civil war with Saul's supporters

King in Jerusalem for 33 years

Ruler over all 12 tribes
Conquers Jerusalem as his capital (II Samuel 5)
Conquers neighbouring nations
Brings Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem as preliminary to building the Temple (II Samuel 6)
Affair with Bathsheba wife of Uriah the Hittite (II Samuel 11)
Problems with sons, rebellion of Absalom (II Samuel 13-20)
Scheming of Bathsheba and Nathan the prophet against Adonijah leads to naming of Solomon as David's successor (I Kings 1)
Dies in ripe old age (I Kings 2)

Reputed author of many psalms (73)

Ancestor of the Messiah

שְׂמוּאֵל ב' פֶּרֶק י"ב א'-ז'
וַיִּשְׁלַח יְהוָה אֶת־נָתָן אֶל־דָּוִד וַיֵּבֵא אֵלָיו וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ שְׁנֵי אַנְשִׁים הָיוּ בְעִיר אֲחָת
אֶחָד עֹשֶׂיר וְאֶחָד רֹאשׁ: ^ב לְעֹשֶׂיר הָיָה צֹאן וּבָקָר הַרְבֵּה מְאֹד: ^א וְלֹרֵשׁ אֵין־כֹּל כִּי
אִם־כִּבְשָׂה אֶחָת קִטְנָה אֲשֶׁר קָנָה וַיַּחֲלֶיהָ וַתִּגְדֵּל עִמּוֹ וְעַם־בָּנָיו יַחְדָּו מִפְתּוֹ תֹאכַל

וּמִכְסוֹ תִשָּׂתֶה וּבְחִיקוֹ תִשְׁכַּב וְתִהְיֶה לּוֹ כְּבַת: ^ד וַיָּבֵא הַלֵּךְ לְאִישׁ הָעֶשִׂיר וַיַּחְמַל לְקַחַת מִצֵּאָנוּ וּמִבְקָרוֹ לַעֲשׂוֹת לְאֶרֶחַ הַבָּאֵלוֹ וַיִּקַּח אֶת־כִּבְשֶׁת הָאִישׁ הָרֹאשׁ וַיַּעֲשֶׂה לְאִישׁ הַבָּא אֵלָיו: ^ה וַיַּחֲרֹף דָּוִד בְּאִישׁ מֵאֵד וַיֹּאמֶר אֶל־נָתָן חִי־יְהוָה כִּי בִזְמוֹת הָאִישׁ הָעֶשִׂה זֹאת: ^ו וְאֶת־הַכִּבְשֶׁה יִשְׁלַם אַרְבַּעַתַּיִם עֶקֶב אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה אֶת־הַדְּבָר הַזֶּה וְעַל אֲשֶׁר לֹא־חָמַל: ^ז וַיֹּאמֶר נָתָן אֶל־דָּוִד אַתָּה הָאִישׁ...

II Samuel 12:1-7

¹ Then the Eternal sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ² The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³ but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴ Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' ⁵ Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the Eternal lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶ he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' ⁷ Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! ...' (translation based on NRSV)

תהלים פרק נ"א

^א לְמַנְצֵחַ מְזִמּוֹר לְדָוִד: ^ב בַּבּוֹא־אֵלָיו נָתָן הַנְּבִיא כַּאֲשֶׁר־בָּא אֶל־בַּת־שֶׁבַע: ^ג חָנְנֵי אֱלֹהִים כַּחֲסִדְךָ כְּרַב רַחֲמֶיךָ מִחַה פִּשְׁעֵי: ^ד הַרְבֵּה [הַרְבֵּה] כַּבְּסֵנִי מֵעוֹנֵי וּמַחְטָאֵתִי טַהֲרֵנִי: ^ה כִּי־פִשְׁעֵי אָנֹכִי אֲדַע וְחַטָּאתִי נִגְדֵי תָמִיד: ^ו לֵךְ לְבַדְךָ | חַטָּאתִי וְהִרַע בְּעֵינַיךָ עֲשִׂיתִי לְמַעַן־תִּצְדַּק בְּדַבְרֶךָ תִּזְכֶּה בְּשִׁפְטֶךָ: ^ז הַן־בְּעוֹזֵן חוֹלְלֵתִי וּבַחֲטָא יַחְמַתְנִי אָמֵן: ^ח הַן־אֲמַת חֲפֻצַּת בַּטְחוֹת וּבִסְתֵם חֲכֵמָה תוֹדִיעֵנִי: ^ט תַּחֲטָאֵנִי בְּאִזּוֹב וְאַטְהֵר תִּכְבֹּסֵנִי וּמִשְׁלֵג אֲלַבִּין: ^י תִּשְׁמִיעֵנִי שִׁשׁוֹן וְשִׂמְחָה תִּגְלַנֶּה עֲצָמוֹת דְּפִיתִי: ^{יא} הַסֵּתֵר פְּנִיךָ מִחַטָּאֵי וּכְל־עוֹנֹתֵי מִחַה: ^{יב} לֵב טַהוֹר בְּרָא־לִי אֱלֹהִים וְרוּחַ נְכוֹן חֲדַשׁ בְּקִרְבִּי: ^{יג} אֶל־תִּשְׁלִיכֵנִי מִלְּפָנֶיךָ וְרוּחַ קֹדְשְׁךָ אֶל־תִּקַּח מִמֶּנִּי: ^{יד} הַשִּׁיבָה לִי שִׁשׁוֹן יִשְׁעֶךָ וְרוּחַ נְדִיבָה תִּסְמְכֵנִי: ^{טו} אֲלַמְּדָה פִּשְׁעִים דְּרַכִּיךָ וְחַטָּאִים אֲלִיךָ יִשׁוּבוּ: ^{טז} הַצִּילֵנִי מִדְּמַי | אֱלֹהִים אֱלֹהֵי תְּשׁוּעָתִי תִרְנֵן לְשׁוֹנֵי צְדָקָתְךָ: ^{יז} אֲדַנִּי שִׁפְתֵי תִפְתַּח וּפִי יִגִּיד תְּהִלָּתְךָ: ^{יח} כִּי | לֹא־תַחַפֵּץ זִבַּח וְאַתְנֶה עוֹלָה לֹא תִרְצֶה: ^{יט} זִבְחֵי אֱלֹהִים רוּחַ נְשֻׁבָרָה לִב־נְשֻׁבָר וְנִדְבָה אֱלֹהִים לֹא תִבְזֶה: ^כ הִיטִיבָה בְּרִצּוֹנְךָ אֶת־צִיּוֹן תִּבְנֶה חוֹמוֹת יְרוּשָׁלַם: כֹּא אֲזוֹ תַחַפֵּץ זִבְחֵי־צֶדֶק עוֹלָה וְכִלִּיל אֲזוֹ יַעֲלוּ עַל־מִזְבְּחֶךָ פָּרִים:

Psalm 51

¹ For the choirmaster. A psalm of David. ² When Nathan the prophet came to him after he had been with Bathsheba.

³ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ⁴ Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. ⁵ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁶ Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done

what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. ⁷ Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. ⁸ You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. ⁹ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. ⁹ Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. ¹³ Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. ¹⁴ Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance. ¹⁵ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. ¹⁶ For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. ¹⁷ The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. ¹⁸ Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, ¹⁹ then you will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

(translation based on NRSV)

...ומי הוא המשובח שבנביאים, והמשובח שבמלכים, המשובח שבנביאים, זה משה, שנאמר ומשה עלה אל האלהים (שמות י"ט ג'), המשובח שבמלכים, זהו דוד...

מדרש תהלים, פרק א' סימן ב'.

So, who is the most praiseworthy among the prophets and the most praiseworthy in kingship? The most praiseworthy among the prophets? This is Moses, as it is said: 'And Moses ascended to God' (Exodus 19:3). The most praiseworthy in kingship? This is David...

Midrash Tehillim ('Midrash on Psalms') 1:2.

דוד הי' רבן של בעלי רוה"ק כמו שמרע"ה הי' רבן של הנביאים...

ר' יעקב צבי יאליש, ס' קהלת יעקב, חלק ב' דף ה' עמוד א'.

David: He was the master of those who received the holy spirit, just as Moses our teacher was the master of the prophets.

Jacob Zevi Jolles (c.1778-1825), **Qehillat Ya'akov** ('The Congregation of Jacob' [Deuteronomy 33:4]) (Lemberg/Lvov, 1870), pt. 2, p. 5a.

Luke 1:30-33

³⁰ καὶ εἶπεν ὁ ἄγγελος αὐτῇ Μὴ φοβοῦ Μαριάμ εὖρες γὰρ χάριν παρὰ τῷ θεῷ ³¹
καὶ ἰδοὺ συλλήμψῃ ἐν γαστρὶ καὶ τέξῃ υἱόν καὶ καλέσεις τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ Ἰησοῦν ³²
οὗτος ἔσται μέγας καὶ υἱὸς ὑψίστου κληθήσεται καὶ δώσει αὐτῷ κύριος ὁ θεὸς τὸν
θρόνον Δαυὶδ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ ³³ καὶ βασιλεύσει ἐπὶ τὸν οἶκον Ἰακώβ εἰς τοὺς
αἰῶνας καὶ τῆς βασιλείας αὐτοῦ οὐκ ἔσται τέλος

But the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favour with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; his kingdom will never end.'

Luke 2:1, 3-5; 8-11

¹ Ἐγένετο δὲ ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις ἐξῆλθεν δόγμα παρὰ Καίσαρος Αὐγούστου ἀπογράφεσθαι πᾶσαν τὴν οἰκουμένην

³ καὶ ἐπορεύοντο πάντες ἀπογράφεσθαι ἕκαστος εἰς τὴν ἑαυτοῦ πόλιν ⁴ Ἀνέβη δὲ καὶ Ἰωσήφ ἀπὸ τῆς Γαλιλαίας ἐκ πόλεως Ναζαρέθ εἰς τὴν Ἰουδαίαν εἰς πόλιν Δαυὶδ ἣτις καλεῖται Βηθλέεμ διὰ τὸ εἶναι αὐτὸν ἐξ οἴκου καὶ πατριᾶς Δαυὶδ ⁵ ἀπογράψασθαι σὺν Μαριάμ τῇ ἐμνηστευμένῃ αὐτῷ οὔσῃ ἐγκύω

⁸ Καὶ ποιμένες ἦσαν ἐν τῇ χώρᾳ τῇ αὐτῇ ἀγραυλοῦντες καὶ φυλάσσοντες φυλακὰς τῆς νυκτὸς ἐπὶ τὴν ποίμνην αὐτῶν ⁹ καὶ ἄγγελος κυρίου ἐπέστη αὐτοῖς καὶ δόξα κυρίου περιέλαμψεν αὐτούς καὶ ἐφοβήθησαν φόβον μέγαν ¹⁰ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς ὁ ἄγγελος Μὴ φοβεῖσθε ἰδοὺ γὰρ εὐαγγελίζομαι ὑμῖν χαρὰν μεγάλην ἣτις ἔσται παντὶ τῷ λαῷ ¹¹ ὅτι ἐτέχθη ὑμῖν σήμερον σωτὴρ ὃς ἐστὶν Χριστὸς κύριος ἐν πόλει Δαυὶδ

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.... And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to be registered with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him, and was expecting a child.....

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks by night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.'

John 7:41-42

⁴¹ ἄλλοι ἔλεγον Οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ Χριστὸς οἱ δὲ ἔλεγον Μὴ γὰρ ἐκ τῆς Γαλιλαίας ὁ Χριστὸς ἔρχεται ⁴² οὐχ ἡ γραφὴ εἶπεν ὅτι ἐκ τοῦ σπέρματος Δαυὶδ καὶ ἀπὸ Βηθλέεμ τῆς κώμης ὅπου ἦν Δαυὶδ ἔρχεται ὁ Χριστὸς

'How can the Christ come from Galilee? Does not the Scripture say that the Christ will come from David's family and from Bethlehem, the town where David lived?'

Mark 2:23-30

²³ Καὶ ἐγένετο αὐτὸν ἐν τοῖς σάββασιν διαπορεύεσθαι διὰ τῶν σπορίμων καὶ οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἤρξαντο ὁδὸν ποιεῖν τίλλοντας τοὺς στάχυνας ²⁴ καὶ οἱ Φαρισαῖοι

ἔλεγον αὐτῷ Ἴδε τί ποιοῦσιν τοῖς σάββασιν ὃ οὐκ ἔξεστιν ²⁵ καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς Οὐδέποτε ἀνέγνωτε τί ἐποίησεν Δαυίδ ὅτε χρεῖαν ἔσχεν καὶ ἐπείνασεν αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ μετ' αὐτοῦ ²⁶ [πῶς] εἰσῆλθεν εἰς τὸν οἶκον τοῦ θεοῦ ἐπὶ Ἀβιαθάρ ἀρχιερέως καὶ τοὺς ἄρτους τῆς προθέσεως ἔφαγεν οὐς οὐκ ἔξεστιν φαγεῖν εἰ μὴ τοὺς ἱερεῖς καὶ ἔδωκεν καὶ τοῖς σὺν αὐτῷ οὔσιν ²⁷ καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς Τὸ σάββατον διὰ τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἐγένετο καὶ οὐχ ὁ ἄνθρωπος διὰ τὸ σάββατον· ²⁸ ὥστε κύριός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου καὶ τοῦ σαββάτου

One Sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some ears of corn. The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?' He answered, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions.' Then he said to them, 'The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.'

Matthew 22:41-46

⁴¹ Συνηγμένων δὲ τῶν Φαρισαίων ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτοὺς ὁ Ἰησοῦς ⁴² λέγων Τί ὑμῖν δοκεῖ περὶ τοῦ Χριστοῦ τίνας υἱὸς ἐστιν λέγουσιν αὐτῷ Τοῦ Δαυίδ ⁴³ λέγει αὐτοῖς Πῶς οὖν Δαυίδ ἐν πνεύματι καλεῖ αὐτὸν κύριον λέγων ⁴⁴ Εἶπεν κύριος τῷ κυρίῳ μου· Κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου ἕως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποκάτω τῶν ποδῶν σου ⁴⁵ εἰ οὖν Δαυίδ καλεῖ αὐτὸν κύριον πῶς υἱὸς αὐτοῦ ἐστιν ⁴⁶ καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐδύνατο ἀποκριθῆναι αὐτῷ λόγον οὐδὲ ἐτόλμησέν τις ἀπ' ἐκείνης τῆς ἡμέρας ἐπερωτῆσαι αὐτὸν οὐκέτι

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, 'What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?' 'The son of David', they replied. He said to them, 'How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him Lord? For he says, "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand Until I put your enemies under your feet." If then David calls him 'Lord', how can he be his son?' No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶ Καὶ ἔρχονται εἰς Ἱεριχὼ καὶ ἐκπορευομένου αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ Ἱεριχὼ καὶ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ καὶ ὄχλου ἱκανοῦ ὁ υἱὸς Τιμαίου Βαρτιμαῖος τυφλὸς προσαίτης ἐκάθητο παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν ⁴⁷ καὶ ἀκούσας ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζαρηνὸς ἐστίν ἤρξατο κράζειν καὶ λέγειν Υἱὲ Δαυίδ Ἰησοῦ ἐλέησόν με ⁴⁸ καὶ ἐπετίμων αὐτῷ πολλοὶ ἵνα σιωπήσῃ· ὁ δὲ πολλῶ μᾶλλον ἔκραζεν Υἱὲ Δαυίδ ἐλέησόν με ⁴⁹ καὶ στὰς ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν Φωνήσατε αὐτόν καὶ φωνοῦσιν τὸν τυφλὸν λέγοντες αὐτῷ Θάρσει ἔγειρε φωνεῖ σε ⁵⁰ ὁ δὲ ἀποβαλὼν τὸ ἱμάτιον αὐτοῦ ἀναπηδήσας ἦλθεν πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν ⁵¹ καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν Τί σοι θέλεις ποιήσω ὁ δὲ τυφλὸς εἶπεν αὐτῷ Ῥαββουνι ἵνα ἀναβλέψω ⁵² καὶ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ Ὑπαγε ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέν σε καὶ εὐθὺς ἀνέβλεψεν καὶ ἠκολούθει αὐτῷ ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ

Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he

began to shout, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.' Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, 'Son of David, have mercy on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him.' So they called to the blind man, 'Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you.' Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. 'What do you want me to do for you?' Jesus asked him. The blind man said 'Rabbi, I want to see.' 'Go', said Jesus, 'your faith has healed you' Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Mark 11:7-10

⁷ καὶ φέρουσιν τὸν πῶλον πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ ἐπιβάλλουσιν αὐτῷ τὰ ἱμάτια αὐτῶν καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐπ' αὐτόν ⁸ καὶ πολλοὶ τὰ ἱμάτια αὐτῶν ἔστρωσαν εἰς τὴν ὁδὸν ἄλλοι δὲ στιβάδας κόψαντες ἐκ τῶν ἀγρῶν ⁹ καὶ οἱ προάγοντες καὶ οἱ ἀκολουθοῦντες ἔκραζον Ὡσαννὰ· Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι κυρίου· ¹⁰ Εὐλογημένη ἡ ἐρχομένη βασιλεία τοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν Δαυίδ· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις

When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!'

Acts 2:22-36

²² Ἄνδρες Ἰσραηλῖται ἀκούσατε τοὺς λόγους τούτους· Ἰησοῦν τὸν Ναζωραῖον ἄνδρα ἀποδεδειγμένον ἀπὸ τοῦ θεοῦ εἰς ὑμᾶς δυνάμεσιν καὶ τέρασιν καὶ σημείοις οἷς ἐποίησεν δι' αὐτοῦ ὁ θεὸς ἐν μέσῳ ὑμῶν καθὼς αὐτοὶ οἶδατε ²³ τοῦτον τῇ ὠρισμένη βουλῇ καὶ προγνώσει τοῦ θεοῦ ἔκδοτον διὰ χειρὸς ἀνόμων προσπήξαντες ἀνείλατε ²⁴ ὃν ὁ θεὸς ἀνέστησεν λύσας τὰς ὠδύνας τοῦ θανάτου καθότι οὐκ ἦν δυνατὸν κρατεῖσθαι αὐτὸν ὑπ' αὐτοῦ· ²⁵ Δαυὶδ γὰρ λέγει εἰς αὐτόν Προορώμην τὸν κύριον ἐνώπιόν μου διὰ παντός ὅτι ἐκ δεξιῶν μου ἐστὶν ἵνα μὴ σαλευθῶ ²⁶ διὰ τοῦτο ἠψφράνθη μου ἡ καρδιά καὶ ἠγαλλιάσατο ἡ γλῶσσά μου ἔτι δὲ καὶ ἡ σὰρξ μου κατασκηνώσει ἐπ' ἐλπίδι ²⁷ ὅτι οὐκ ἐγκαταλείψεις τὴν ψυχὴν μου εἰς ἄδην οὐδὲ δώσεις τὸν ὄσιόν σου ἰδεῖν διαφθοράν ²⁸ ἐγνώρισάς μοι ὁδοὺς ζωῆς πληρώσεις με εὐφροσύνης μετὰ τοῦ προσώπου σου ²⁹ Ἄνδρες ἀδελφοί ἐξὸν εἰπεῖν μετὰ παρρησίας πρὸς ὑμᾶς περὶ τοῦ πατριάρχου Δαυίδ ὅτι καὶ ἐτελεύτησεν καὶ ἐτάφη καὶ τὸ μνημα αὐτοῦ ἐστὶν ἐν ἡμῖν ἄχρι τῆς ἡμέρας ταύτης ³⁰ προφήτης οὖν ὑπάρχων καὶ εἰδὼς ὅτι ὄρκω ὤμοσεν αὐτῷ ὁ θεὸς ἐκ καρποῦ τῆς ὀσφύος αὐτοῦ καθίσει ἐπὶ τὸν θρόνον αὐτοῦ ³¹ προἰδὼν ἐλάλησεν περὶ τῆς ἀναστάσεως τοῦ Χριστοῦ ὅτι οὔτε ἐγκατελείφθη εἰς ἄδην οὔτε ἡ σὰρξ αὐτοῦ εἶδεν διαφθοράν ³² τοῦτον τὸν Ἰησοῦν ἀνέστησεν ὁ θεὸς οὗ πάντες ἡμεῖς ἐσμεν μάρτυρες· ³³ τῇ δεξιᾷ οὖν τοῦ θεοῦ ὑψωθεὶς τὴν τε ἐπαγγελίαν τοῦ πνεύματος τοῦ ἁγίου λαβὼν παρὰ τοῦ πατρὸς ἐξέχεεν τοῦτο ὃ ὑμεῖς [καὶ] βλέπετε καὶ ἀκούετε ³⁴ οὐ γὰρ Δαυὶδ ἀνέβη εἰς τοὺς οὐρανοὺς λέγει δὲ αὐτός· Εἶπεν κύριος τῷ κυρίῳ μου Κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου ³⁵ ἕως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποπόδιον τῶν ποδῶν σου ³⁶ ἀσφαλῶς οὖν γινωσκέτω πᾶς οἶκος Ἰσραὴλ ὅτι καὶ κύριον αὐτὸν καὶ Χριστὸν ἐποίησεν ὁ θεὸς τοῦτον τὸν Ἰησοῦν ὃν ὑμεῖς ἐσταυρώσατε

'Men of Israel, listen to this. Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge, and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of

death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. David said about him:

“I saw the Lord always before me.
Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken
Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices,
My body also will live in hope,
Because you will not abandon me to the grave,
Nor will you let your Holy One see decay.
You have made known to me the paths of life,
You will fill me with joy in your presence.”

Brothers, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. Seeing what was ahead he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life and we are all witnesses of the fact. Exalted to the right hand of God he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said,

“The Lord said to my Lord, sit at my right hand
Until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”

Therefore let all Israel be assured of this. God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.’

Romans 1:3-4

³ περὶ τοῦ υἱοῦ αὐτοῦ τοῦ γενομένου ἐκ σπέρματος Δαυὶδ κατὰ σάρκα ⁴ τοῦ ὀρισθέντος υἱοῦ θεοῦ ἐν δυνάμει κατὰ πνεῦμα ἁγιωσύνης ἐξ ἀναστάσεως νεκρῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν

This is the gospel concerning his Son who, in terms of human nature, was born a descendant of David, and who, in terms of the Spirit and of holiness, was designated Son of God in power by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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فَهَزَمُوهُمْ بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَقَتَلَ دَاوُودُ جَالُوتَ وَآتَاهُ اللَّهُ الْمُلْكَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَعَلَّمَهُ مِمَّا يَشَاءُ وَلَوْلَا دَفْعُ
اللَّهِ النَّاسَ بَعْضَهُمْ بِبَعْضٍ لَفَسَدَتِ الْأَرْضُ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ ذُو فَضْلٍ عَلَى الْعَالَمِينَ

So they routed them by God's leave and David slew Goliath; and God gave him the dominion and wisdom, and taught him of that which He wills; and if God had not repelled some people by others, the earth would have been corrupted; but God is Possessor of Bounty upon creation.

Şad 17^b

اصْبِرْ عَلَىٰ مَا يَقُولُونَ وَاذْكُرْ عَبْدَنَا دَاوُودَ ذَا الْأَيْدِ إِنَّهُ أَوَّابٌ

Bear with what they say, and remember Our servant David, possessor of might; indeed was he ever turning in repentance.

^a *Quran* 2; Texts selected by Amin Ahmadi

^b *Quran* 38; Texts selected by Amin Ahmadi