

THE MAGNANIMITY OF DAVID

And David stayed in strongholds in the wilderness, and remained in the mountains in the Wilderness of Ziph. Saul sought him every day, but God did not deliver him into his hand.

1 Samuel 23:14



And he said to him, “Do not fear, for the hand of Saul my father shall not find you. You shall be king over Israel, and I shall be next to you. Even my father Saul knows that.”

1 Samuel 23:17







**In the LORD I put my trust;
How can you say to my soul,
“Flee as a bird to your mountain”?**

Psalm 11:1



For look! The wicked
bend *their* bow, They make ready
their arrow on the string,
That they may shoot secretly at the
upright in heart.

Psalm 11:2



**If the foundations are destroyed,
What can the righteous do?**

Psalm 11:3



The LORD *is* in His holy temple,
The LORD's throne *is* in heaven;
His eyes behold, His eyelids test the
sons of men.

Psalm 11:4



**The LORD tests the righteous,
But the wicked and the one who
loves violence His soul hates.**

Psalm 11:5



**WHAT DID DAVID KNOW THAT
WE DON'T KNOW?**

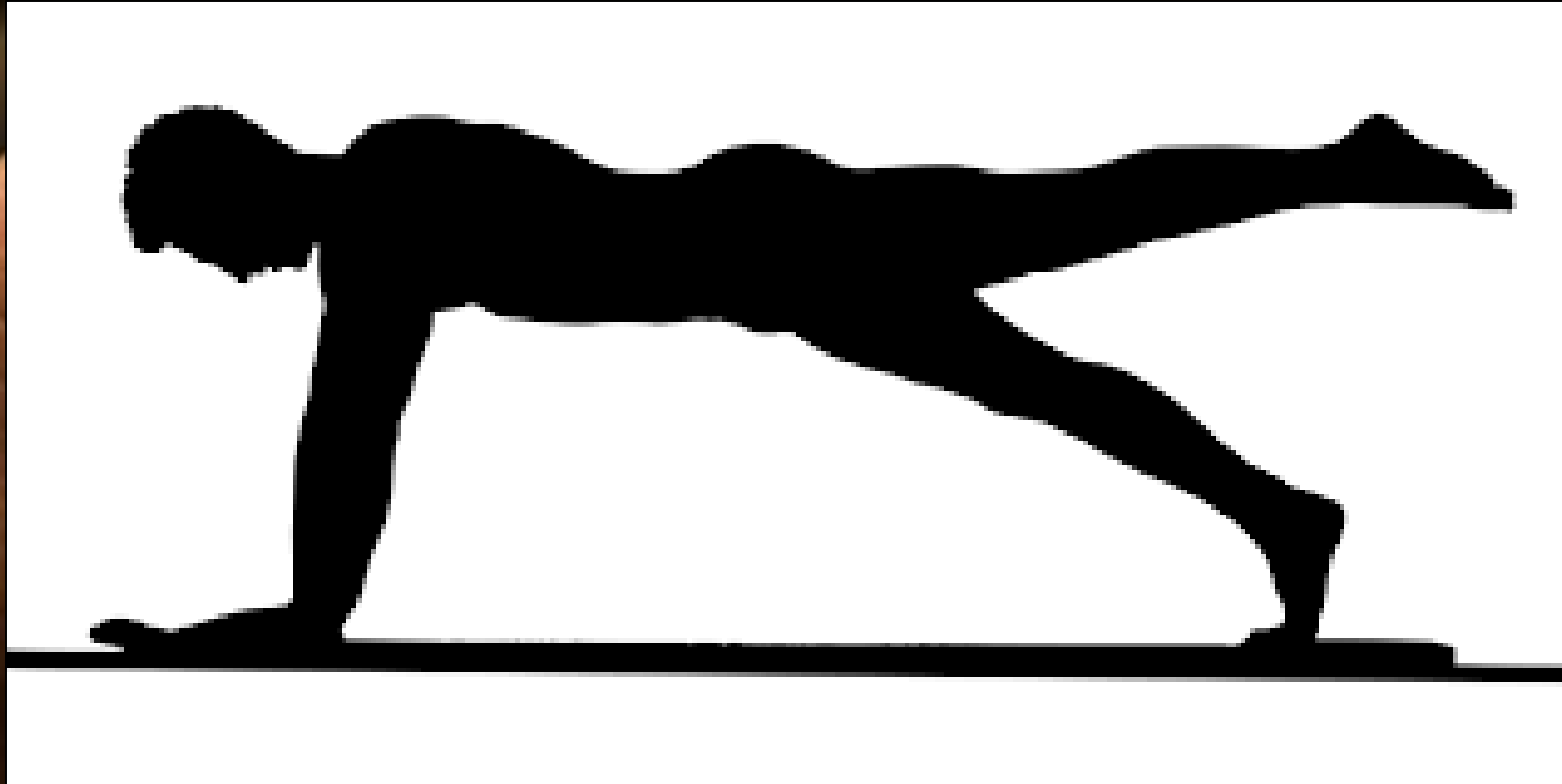


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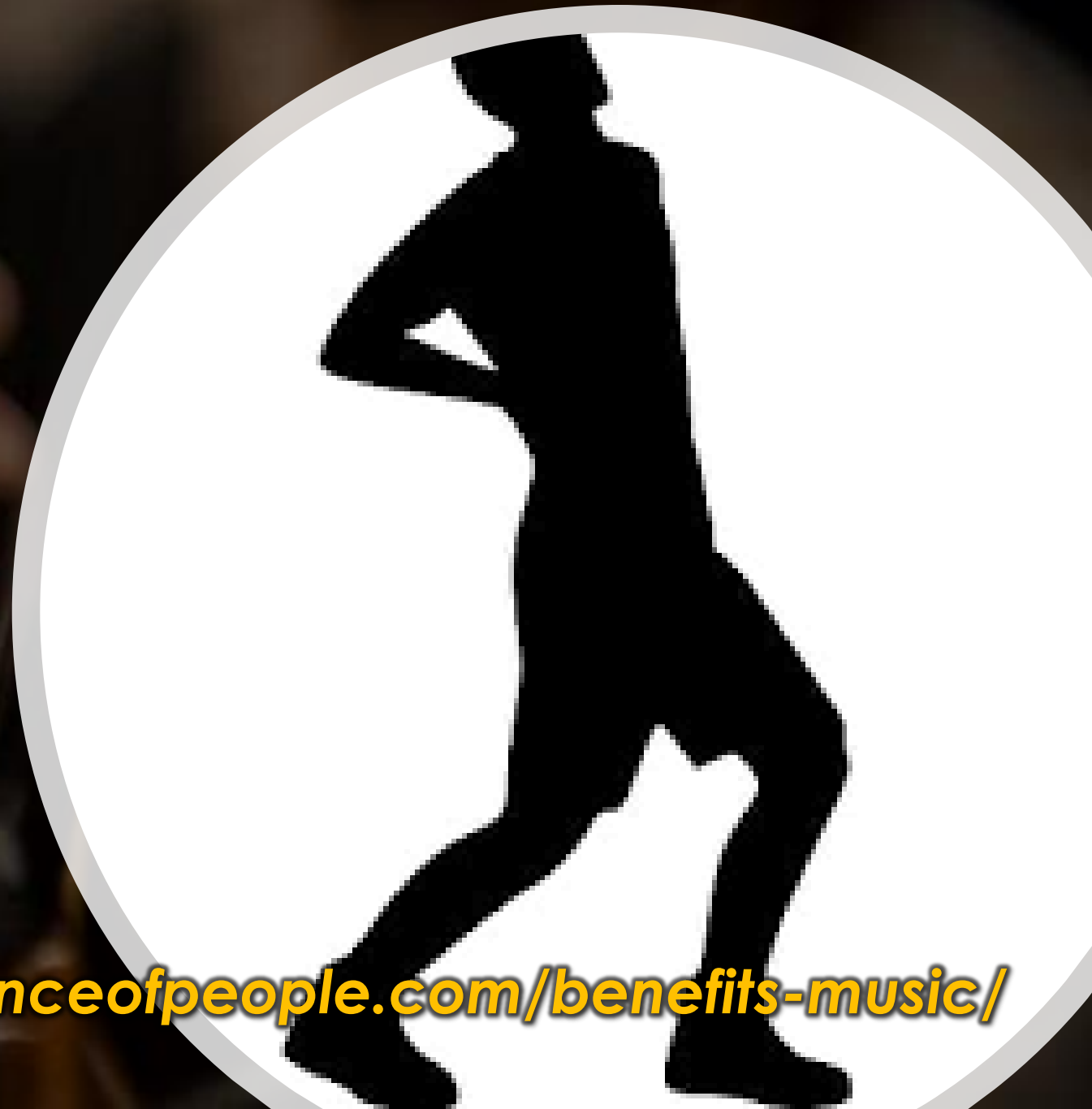
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**Then the men of David said to him,
“This is the day of which
the LORD said to you, ‘Behold, I will
deliver your enemy into your hand,**

1 Samuel 24:4a



That you may do to him as it seems good to you.’ ” And David arose and secretly cut off a corner of Saul’s robe.

1 Samuel 24:4b



This was David's
opportunity to
end the "game".
To not run in fear
any longer.




**Now it happened afterward
that David's heart troubled him
because he had cut Saul's robe.**

1 Samuel 24:5



FILTHY RAGS






But we are all like an
unclean *thing*, And all our
righteousnesses are like
filthy rags...

~Isaiah 64:6

**And he said to his men,
“The LORD forbid that I should do
this thing to my master, the LORD’s
anoointed, to stretch out my hand
against him, seeing he *is* the
anoointed of the LORD.”**

1 Samuel 24:6





David could
not go against
God's
anointed

And David said to Saul: “Why do you listen to the words of men who say, ‘Indeed David seeks your harm’?”

1 Samuel 24:9



**The danger of
“the words of
men”**



As the proverb of the ancients says, 'Wickedness proceeds from the wicked.' But my hand shall not be against you.

1 Samuel 24:13





Saul Weeps

And now I know indeed that you shall surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand.

1 Samuel 24:20



Therefore swear now to me by the LORD that you will not cut off my descendants after me, and that you will not destroy my name from my father's house.”

1 Samuel 24:21





God's Prophet laid to rest.

The nation had lost the founder and president of its sacred schools, but that was not all. It had lost him to whom the people had been accustomed to go with their great troubles--lost one who had constantly interceded with God in behalf of the best interests of its people.

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The intercession of Samuel had given a feeling of security; for "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16. The people felt now that God was forsaking them. The king seemed little less than a madman. Justice was perverted, and order was turned to confusion.

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**David aligns his
character with
that of David.**

1 Samuel 25





**Saul Spared a
second time**



MAGNANIMITY

The fact or condition of being magnanimous; generosity.

MAGNANIMOUS

Generous or forgiving, especially toward a rival or less powerful person.

Google Dictionary

A vibrant yellow bird, possibly a yellow warbler, is perched on a dark brown branch. Its beak is wide open, as if it is singing. The bird's feathers are bright yellow with some darker streaking on its wings. The background is a soft-focus green with several white flowers, likely cherry blossoms, scattered throughout. The overall scene is bright and cheerful.

CLOSING SONG

Hymn # 579

**'Tis Love
That
Makes Us
Happy**

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