

Cast of Characters in 1 Samuel Chapters 22 - 31

| Character | Meaning | Description | Reference |
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| Samuel | "God is exalted" | Last judge of Israel. First "king maker." A holy and obedient prophet. | 1:20 |
| Saul | "asked for" | First king of Israel. Tall and handsome. | 9:2 |
| Jonathan | "Yahweh Gave" | Eldest son of King Saul; friend and ally of David; great soldier | 13:2 |
| David | "Favorite" or "Beloved" | Maybe the most important of the kings. Ancestor of Jesus; "author" of Psalms; king of Israel and Judah; great warrior; mentioned 54 times in the New Testament | 16:12-13 |
| Michal | "who is like God" | Younger daughter of Saul; becomes David's wife | 18:27 |
| Ahimelech | "my brother is king" | High priest of Nob who gave David reserved bread | 21:2 |
| Doeg | "full of fear" | Saul's spy; murders 85 priests; see Ps 52 | 21:8 |
| Achish | ? | Philistine king of Gath | 21:11 |
| Abiathar | "father of abundance" | Son of Ahimelech; priest; escaped Saul's slaughter | 22:20 |
| Nabal | "fool" | Wealthy man in Maon | 25:2 |
| Abigail | "my father rejoiced" | Second wife of David; widow of Nabal | 25:3 |
| Ahinoam | "my brother is gracious" | Third wife of David; from Jezreel | 25:43 |
| Abner | "father is a lamp" | Saul's army commander; Saul's uncle; joins David | 26:5 |
| Abishai | "father exists" | David's general | 26:6 |
| Witch of Endor | | A diviner or fortune-teller who brought Samuel back from the grave | 28:7 |
| Abinadab | "my father is generous" | One of Saul's sons along with Jonathan and Malki-Shua | 31:2 |
| Malki-Shua | ? | One of Saul's sons along with Jonathan and Abinadab | 31:2 |