

## **David and Goliath (1 Samuel 17): chiastic shape**

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A: vv. 1-7: set up for battle in a valley (Hebrew, *gaye'*, only 17.52 elsewhere in 1 Samuel): description of Goliath

B: vv. 8-11: The Philistine taunts Israel

C: vv. 12-30: David and his family

C1: vv. 31-41: David and Saul prepare David for battle

B1: vv. 42-47: mutual taunting

A1: vv. 48-54: the battle and aftermath in a valley (Hebrew, *gaye'*, only 17.2 elsewhere in 1 Samuel)