

27.7-12

The length of time that David lived in the country of the Philistines was one year and four months. Now **David and his men went up and made raids on the Geshurites, the Girzites, and the Amalekites**; for these were **the landed settlements from Telam on the way to Shur and on to the land of Egypt. David struck the land, leaving neither man nor woman alive, but took away the sheep, the oxen, the donkeys, the camels, and the clothing,** and came back to Achish. When Achish asked, "Against whom have you made a raid today?" David would say, "Against the Negeb of Judah," or "Against the Negeb of the Jerahmeelites," or, "**Against the Negeb of the Kenites.**" David left neither man nor woman alive to be brought back to Gath, thinking, "They might tell about us, and say, 'David has done so and so.'" Such was his practice all the time he lived in the country of the Philistines. Achish trusted David, thinking, "**He has made himself utterly abhorrent to his people Israel**"; therefore he shall always be my servant."

15.1-9

Samuel said to Saul, "YHWH sent me to anoint you king over his people Israel; now therefore listen to the words of YHWH. Thus says YHWH of hosts, 'I will punish the Amalekites for what they did in opposing the Israelites when they came up out of Egypt. Now **go and attack Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have; do not spare them, but kill both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.'**" **So Saul summoned the people, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand foot soldiers, and ten thousand soldiers of Judah.** Saul came to the city of the Amalekites and lay in wait in the valley. **Saul said to the Kenites, "Go! Leave!** Withdraw from among the Amalekites, or I will destroy you with them; for you showed kindness to all the people of Israel when they came up out of Egypt." **So the Kenites withdrew from the Amalekites. Saul defeated the Amalekites, from Havilah as far as Shur, which is east of Egypt.** He took King Agag of the Amalekites alive, but utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. **Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep and of the cattle and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was valuable, and would not utterly destroy them; all that was despised and worthless** they utterly destroyed.