

2 Samuel 21-24 chiasm

21.1-14: famine: bloodguilt on Saul because of the Gibeonites he killed; death of Saul's sons; Rizpah's vigil; David's response: gather all the Saulide bones for proper burial (end of the past)

21.15-22: list of defeated Philistine giants and their killers [Heb, *nchm*, "to strike down," 6x]

22.1-51: psalm of David and YHWH (parallel to Hannah's song, 1 Samuel 2)

23.1: "last words of David"

23.2-7: psalm of David: everlasting Davidic covenant

23.8-39: list of David's warriors (the Thirty), ending with Uriah the Hittite [Heb, *nchm*, "to strike down," 5x]

24.1-25: YHWH's anger: guilt on David who conducts a census; choice of punishments includes famine; David's response: buy the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite (site of Temple, beginning of the future)

¹ compare the ending of John's Gospel, where 20.30-31 fits between the resurrection stories