

Parallels in the closing/transition of Genesis-Exodus and 2 Samuel 21-1 Kings 2

1. **Famine**¹, responded to by a king or royal representative (**2 Samuel 21**, David; **Genesis 47**, Joseph)
 - A. **Genesis** resolution: Joseph sells grain and enslaves Egypt
 - B. **2 Samuel** resolution: Rizpah's witness assuages YHWH
2. **A list of names of important people** with evaluative comments (**2 Samuel 23**, warriors; **Genesis 49**, sons/tribal ancestors)
 - A. **Genesis**: Israel is united as one family
 - B. **2 Samuel**: the nation is secured by foreign warriors
3. **A threshing floor of a named foreigner**², in a moment associated with death (**2 Samuel 24**, a "plague"; **Genesis 50**, death of Jacob)
 - A. **Genesis**: Egyptians mourn Jacob at the threshing floor of Atad
 - B. **2 Samuel**: David purchases the threshing floor of Araunah, which becomes the site of the Jerusalem temple
4. **Dispute among the king's/royal official's sons/brothers** over the powerful brother's potential violence (**1 Kings 2**, Solomon/Adonijah; **Genesis 50**, Joseph and his brothers)
 - A. **Genesis**: Joseph's brothers fear him but he comforts them
 - B. **1 Kings**: Solomon's brother Adonijah fears his brother; Solomon has him murdered
5. **Death of the king/royal official** (**1 Kings 2**, David; **Genesis 50**, Joseph)
 - A. **Genesis**: Joseph dies in Egypt
 - B. **2 Samuel**: David dies and Solomon rules with marriage alliance with pharaoh
6. **Subsequent enslavement** (**1 Kings 4**, Solomon enslaves Israelites; **Exodus 1**, pharaoh enslaves Israelites)
 - A. **Genesis/Exodus**: A new pharaoh is installed and enslaves Israel
 - B. **1 Kings**: Solomon appoints Adoniram over the "forced labor" of Israel

¹ No famines in torah outside **Genesis**; no famines in 1-**2 Samuel** outside 2 Sam 21.

² Only "the threshing floor of Nacon" (2 Sam 6.6) elsewhere.