

# **Saul Visits a Witch**

*(Based on 1 Samuel 28:3-25, 31:1-13)*

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The Philistines came to fight again. When king Saul arrived at the battle place and saw the army of Philistines he was terrified and shaking. "God, God, God!" prayed Saul. "What do I do?" But God was silent.



"Maybe God will talk to me in a dream," thought King Saul. But God was silent. "Maybe God will send a prophet to talk to me," thought old king Saul. But God didn't send anyone.



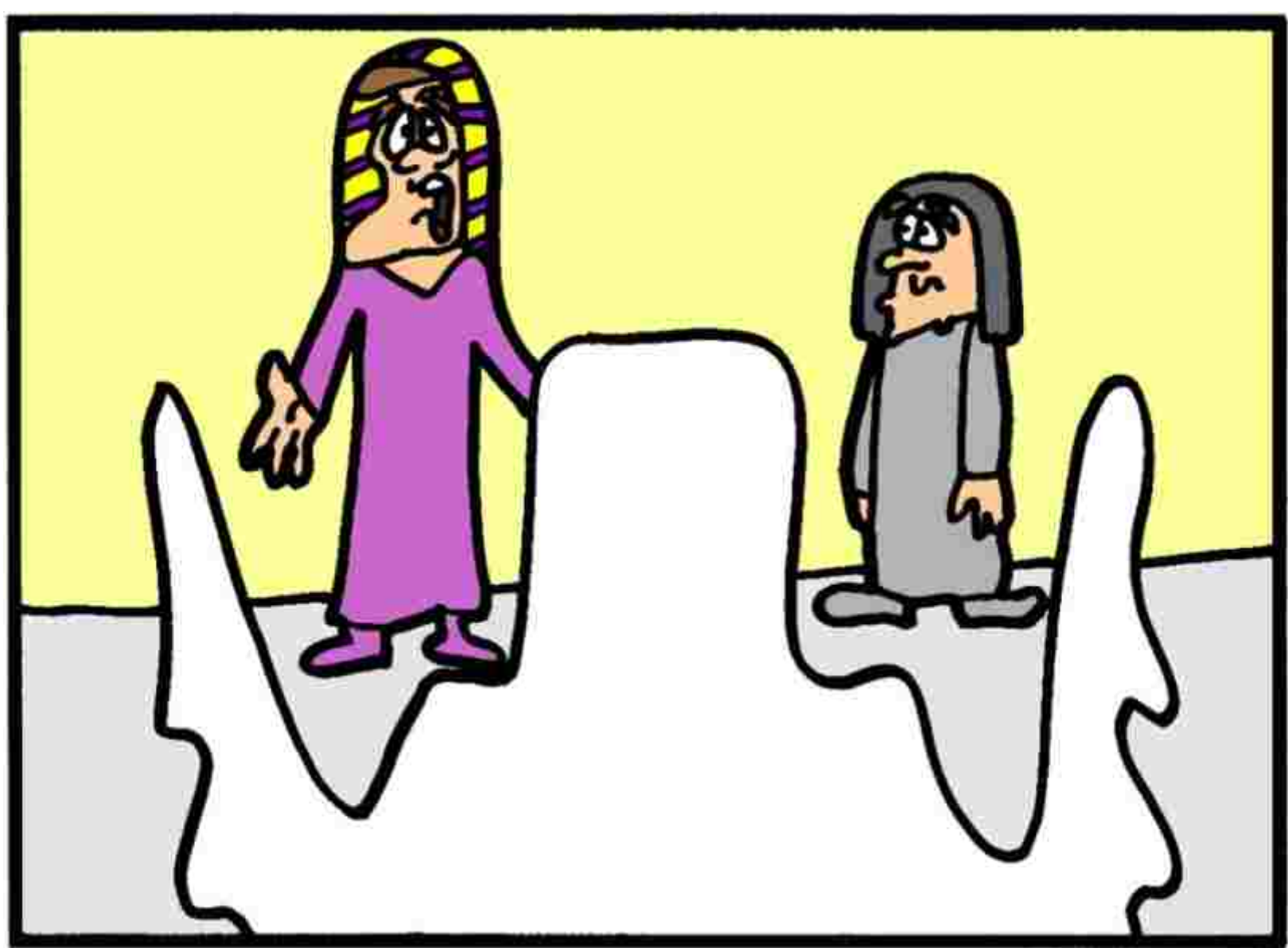
"I will go and see someone who can talk to dead people." King Saul had killed or kicked out all the mediums, psychics and witches from the land of Israel so it was hard to find one, but at last they found one. King Saul put on a disguise and went with two of his men to see her in the middle of the night.



"You know what King Saul did to all the witches and people like me," said the woman. She didn't know that it was King Saul she was talking to. "Who do you want me to bring up from the dead?" asked the woman. "I want you to bring up Samuel," answered King Saul.



As soon as the woman saw Samuel, she screamed. "Ahhhhh!!!!!! You tricked me! You are King Saul!" "Don't be afraid," said King Saul. "What did you see?" "I saw a spirit rising up from the ground. An old man is coming up and he is covered with a blanket over his shoulders. 85-06



"Why have you disturbed me by bringing me up?" asked Samuel. "The Philistines want to have a war with us and God has left me and he won't answer me anymore, so that's why I called you so you could tell me what I should do," said King Saul.



"Why are you asking me what to do if the Lord has left you? It's happening to you just like I told you. The Lord is tearing the kingdom away from you and he is giving it to David. Not only that but the Lord will hand over the people of Israel to the Philistines and tomorrow you and your sons will be with me!"





When king Saul heard what was going to happen, he lost all his strength and fell flat to the floor.



"Please eat something," begged the woman and the two men who came with Saul. "You need to get your strength back." After they begged and begged him, finally king Saul ate something and they went on their way.



Lord, help me to stick to you like glue. Help me to be quick to obey you. I would never want you to leave me.