

The Early Prophets - One Book, One Theme - class # 31

King David & BatSheva - a 'story' or a 'unit'?

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Introduction

Our study of Sefer Shmuel thus far has focused on identifying unique thematic units, and then attributing them to specific Prophet- and afterward attempting to understand how each unit contributes to the Prophetic purpose of the entire book.

In today's class, we continue that study as we attempt to understand the thematic purpose of the famous story of David & BatSheva.

I. A review of the units we have identified thus far

And how they relate to the prophetic theme of the entire book

Shmuel Aleph chapters 1->7 / Shmuel the Prophet & Judge

Establishing Shmuel as a 'trusted' Prophet - & his religious and educational reform

Chapters 8-> 12 – God agrees to a Monarchy (despite Shmuel's reservations The people's request a King/ & Shaul's two coronations

Chapter 13 -> 14 Shaul's Kingdom

Despite Shaul's military victory, Hashem promises to dethrone him.

Chapters 15-16 - The war with Amalek / & Shaul's punishment

Chapters 17->31 – The rise of David & the fall of Shaul

A new unit, written by the Prophet Gad, David is the protagonist!

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Chapters 1->4 – The reign of Ish-boshet until his assassination

[or basically, the fall of the short dynasty of Shaul / (navi Gad)]

Chapters 5->8 David become King over all of Israel [navi Natan]

[moves capital to Jerusalem, bring the Aron, & want to build Temple]

Chapters 9->20 – David's sin with Bat Sheva & its consequences

[the TOPIC OF TODAY'S CLASS !!] - the Navi Natan !

II. The 'bookends' of the two Natan units

Note end of chapter 8

יד וַיִּשֶׂם בְּאֲדָוִם נְצָבִים, בְּכָל-אֲדָוִם שָׁם נְצָבִים,
וַיְהִי כָל-אֲדָוִם, עֲבָדִים לְדָוִד;
וַיֹּשֶׁעַ יְהוָה אֶת-דָּוִד, בְּכָל אֲשֶׁר הָלַךְ.

14 And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and all the Edomites became servants to David. And the LORD gave victory to David whithersoever he went.

טו וַיִּמְלֹךְ דָּוִד, עַל-כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל;
וַיְהִי דָוִד, עֹשֶׂה מִשְׁפָּט וַצְדָקָה--לְכָל-עַמּוֹ.

15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed justice and righteousness unto all his people.

טז וַיֹּאב בֶּן-צְרוּיָה, עַל-הַצָּבָא;
וַיְהוֹשֵׁפֵט בֶּן-אַחִילוּד, מִזְכִּיר.

16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder;

יז וַצְדֹק בֶּן-אַחִיטוּב וְאַחִימֶלֶךְ בֶּן-אַבִּיחָיָה,
כֹּהֲנִים; וְשֶׁרָיָה, סוֹפֵר.

17 and Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, were priests; and Seraiah was scribe;

יח וּבְנֵיָהוּ, בֶּן-יְהוֹיָדָע, וְהַפְּרָתִי, וְהַפְּלִתִי;
וּבְנֵי דָוִד, כֹּהֲנִים הָיוּ. {ס}

18 and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were chief ministers.

Concluding lines of chapter 20

כב וַתָּבוֹא הָאִשָּׁה אֶל-כָּל-הָעָם בְּחַכְמָתָהּ,
וַיִּכְרְתוּ אֶת-רֹאשׁ שִׁבְעַת בְּנֵי-בִיחְרִי וַיִּשְׁלְכוּ אֶל-
יֹאבָב, וַיִּתְקַע בַּשֹּׁפָר, וַיִּפְצְצוּ מֵעַל-הָעִיר אִישׁ
לְאֵהָלָיו; וַיֹּאבָב שָׁב יְרוּשָׁלַם, אֶל-הַמֶּלֶךְ. {ס}

22 Then the woman went unto all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and threw it out to Joab. And he blew the horn, and they were dispersed from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king. {S}

כג וַיֹּאבָב, אֶל כָּל-הַצָּבָא יִשְׂרָאֵל;
וּבְנֵיָהוּ, בֶּן-יְהוֹיָדָע, עַל-הַפְּרָתִי, וְעַל-הַפְּלִתִי.

23 Now Joab was over all the host of Israel; and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites;

כד וְאַדְרָם, עַל-הַמַּס;
וַיְהוֹשֵׁפֵט בֶּן-אַחִילוּד, הַמְּזַכֵּיר.

24 and Adoram was over the levy; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was the recorder;

כה וְשִׁיא (וְשֹׁא), סוֹפֵר;
וַצְדֹק וְאַבִּיחָיָה, כֹּהֲנִים.

25 and Sheva was scribe; and Zadok and Abiathar were priests;

כו וְגַם, עִירָא הַיְאֵרִי, הָיָה כֹהֵן, לְדָוִד. {ס}

26 and Ira also the Jairite was chief minister unto David. {

III. Topics within the unit – and their connection

- 9 – David does “chessed” with M’fivoshet -son of Yonatan ben Shaul
- 10 – A diplomatic incident in Rabbat Amon that leads to massive war with Amon
- 11 – David’s sin with Bat Sheva
- 12- Natan the Prophet challenges David’s behavior - [famous “mashal”]
The baby dies, David marries Bat Sheva - and Shlomo is born
- 13 Amon & Tamar story [after that, Avshalom kills Amnon
- 14 Yoav’s employs a woman from Tekoa to convince David to bring back Avshalom
- 15 - Avshalom’s rebellion
- 16 – David flees Jerusalem while making key decisions
- 17 The two advisors to Avshalom – Achitofel & Chushai – and background to civil war
- 18 – The war against Avshalom’s army & Avshalom’s death
- 19 - David’s return to Jerusalem & his political decisions
- 20 The rebellion for Sheva ben Bichri from the tribe of Binyamin

Note how chapter 21 begins a new topic that must have happened much earlier

א וַיְהִי רָעַב בַּיָּמִי דָּוִד שְׁלֹשׁ שָׁנִים, שָׁנָה אַחֲרֵי שָׁנָה, וַיִּבְקֹשׁ דָּוִד, אֶת-פְּנֵי יְהוָה; {ס} וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה, אֶל-שָׂאוּל וְאֶל-בֵּית הַדְּמִים, עַל אֲשֶׁר-הִמִּית, אֶת-הַגִּבְעֹנִים. 1 And there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David sought the face of the LORD. {S} And the LORD said: 'It is for Saul, and for his bloody house, because he put to death the Gibeonites.'

IV. David's passivity leading to Avshalom's rebellion

Chapter 15

- א וַיְהִי, מֵאַחֲרֵי כֵן, וַיַּעַשׂ לוֹ אַבְשָׁלוֹם, מִרְכָּבָה וְסוּסִים; וַחֲמִשִּׁים אִישׁ, רָצִים לִפְנָיו. 1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him a chariot and horses, and fifty men to run before him.
- ב וְהִשְׁפִּים, אַבְשָׁלוֹם, וְעָמַד, עַל-יַד דְּרָךְ הַשָּׁעַר; וַיְהִי כָל-הָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר-יְהִיֶּה-לוֹ-רִיב לְבוֹא אֶל-הַמֶּלֶךְ לְמִשְׁפָּט, וַיִּקְרָא אַבְשָׁלוֹם אֵלָיו וַיֹּאמֶר אֵי-מָזָה עִיר אַתָּה, וַיֹּאמֶר, מֵאַחַד שְׁבֵטֵי-יִשְׂרָאֵל עֶבְדְּךָ. 2 And Absalom used to rise up early, and stand beside the way of the gate; and it was so, that when any man had a suit which should come to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said: 'Of what city art thou?' And he said: 'Thy servant is of one of the tribes of Israel.'
- ג וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו אַבְשָׁלוֹם, רְאֵה דְבָרֶיךָ טוֹבִים וְנֹכַחִים; וְשִׁמַּע אִין-לְךָ, מֵאֵת הַמֶּלֶךְ. 3 And Absalom said unto him: 'See, thy matters are good and right; but there is no man deputed of the king to hear thee.'
- ד וַיֹּאמֶר, אַבְשָׁלוֹם, מִי-יִשְׁמְנֵי שֹׁפֵט, בְּאַרְצְךָ; וְעָלִי, יָבוֹא כָל-אִישׁ אֲשֶׁר-יְהִיֶּה-לוֹ-רִיב וּמִשְׁפָּט--וְהִצַּדִּקְתִּיו. 4 Absalom said moreover: 'Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man who hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice!'
- ה וְהָיָה, בְּקָרֵב אִישׁ, לְהִשְׁתַּחֲוֹת, לוֹ; וְשָׁלַח אֶת-יָדוֹ וְהִחֲזִיק לוֹ, וְנָשַׁק לוֹ. 5 And it was so, that when any man came nigh to prostrate himself before him, he put forth his hand, and took hold of him, and kissed him.
- ו וַיַּעַשׂ אַבְשָׁלוֹם כַּדָּבָר הַזֶּה, לְכָל-יִשְׂרָאֵל, אֲשֶׁר-יָבֹאוּ לְמִשְׁפָּט, אֶל-הַמֶּלֶךְ; וַיִּגְנַב, אַבְשָׁלוֹם, אֶת-לֵב, אֲנָשֵׁי יִשְׂרָאֵל. {פ} 6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment; so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel. {P}
- ז וַיְהִי, מִקֶּץ אַרְבָּעִים שָׁנָה; וַיֹּאמֶר אַבְשָׁלוֹם, אֶל-הַמֶּלֶךְ, 7 And it came to pass at the end of forty years, that Absalom said unto the king: 'I

אֲלֶכָה נָא וְאַשְׁלִם אֶת-נְדָרַי אֲשֶׁר-נְדַרְתִּי לַיהוָה, בְּחֶבְרוֹן.

pray thee, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto the LORD, in Hebron.

ח כִּי-נִדְרָה נְדָר עֲבַדְךָ, בְּשִׁבְתִּי בְּגֶשׁוּר בְּאַרָם לֵאמֹר: אִם-יָשִׁיב (יָשׁוּב) יְשִׁיבֵנִי יְהוָה יְרוּשָׁלַם, וְעַבַּדְתִּי אֶת-יְהוָה.

8 For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Aram, saying: If the LORD shall indeed bring me back to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.'

ט וַיֹּאמֶר-לוֹ הַמֶּלֶךְ, לֵךְ בְּשָׁלוֹם; וַיָּקָם, וַיֵּלֶךְ חֶבְרוֹנָה. {פ}

9 And the king said unto him: 'Go in peace.' So he arose, and went to Hebron. {P}

י וַיִּשְׁלַח אֲבִשָׁלוֹם מְרַגְלִים, בְּכָל-שִׁבְטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר: כִּשְׁמַעְכֶם, אֶת-קוֹל הַשֹּׁפָר, וְאַמְרָתֶם, מֶלֶךְ אֲבִשָׁלוֹם בְּחֶבְרוֹן.

10 But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying: 'As soon as ye hear the sound of the horn, then ye shall say: Absalom is king in Hebron.'

יא וְאֵת-אֲבִשָׁלוֹם, הִלְכוּ מֵאֲתָיִם אִישׁ מִירוּשָׁלַם, קָרְאִים, וְהִלְכִים לְתַמָּם; וְלֹא יָדְעוּ, כָּל-דָּבָר.

11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, that were invited, and went in their simplicity; and they knew not any thing.

יב וַיִּשְׁלַח אֲבִשָׁלוֹם אֶת-אַחִיתֹפֶל הַגִּילֹנִי יוֹעֵץ דָּוִד, מֵעִירוֹ מְגֵלָה, בְּזָבָחוֹ, אֶת-הַזְּבָחִים; וַיְהִי הַקְּשֶׁר אֲמָץ, וְהָעָם הוֹלֵךְ וָרַב אֶת-אֲבִשָׁלוֹם.

12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from his city, even from Giloh, while he offered the sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with Absalom.

יג וַיָּבֵא, הַמַּגִּיד, אֶל-דָּוִד, לֵאמֹר: הִזָּה לֵב-אִישׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל, אַחֲרֵי אֲבִשָׁלוֹם.

13 And there came a messenger to David, saying: 'The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.'

יד וַיֹּאמֶר דָּוִד לְכָל-עֲבָדָיו אֲשֶׁר-אִתּוֹ בִּירוּשָׁלַם, קוּמוּ וּנְבַרְחֵה--כִּי לֹא-תִהְיֶה-לָנוּ פְּלִיטָה, מִפְּנֵי אֲבִשָׁלוֹם; מִהָרוּ לָלֶכֶת, פֶּן-יַמְהֵר וְהִשְׁגָּנוּ וְהִדִּיחַ עָלֵינוּ אֶת-הָרָעָה, וְהִכָּה הָעִיר, לְפִי-חָרָב.

14 And David said unto all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem: 'Arise, and let us flee; for else none of us shall escape from Absalom; make speed to depart, lest he overtake us quickly, and bring down evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.'

טו וַיֹּאמְרוּ עֲבָדֵי-הַמֶּלֶךְ, אֶל-הַמֶּלֶךְ: כָּל אֲשֶׁר-יִבְחַר אֲדֹנָי הַמֶּלֶךְ, הִנֵּה עֲבָדֶיךָ.

15 And the king's servants said unto the king: 'Behold, thy servants are ready to do whatsoever my lord the king shall choose.'

טז וַיֵּצֵא הַמֶּלֶךְ וְכָל-בֵּיתוֹ, בְּרַגְלָיו; וַיַּעֲזֹב הַמֶּלֶךְ, אֶת עֶשֶׂר נָשִׁים פְּלִגְשִׁים--לְשֹׁמֵר הַבַּיִת.

16 And the king went forth, and all his household after him. And the king left ten women, that were concubines, to keep the house.

יז וַיֵּצֵא הַמֶּלֶךְ וְכָל-הָעָם, בְּרַגְלָיו; וַיַּעֲמְדוּ, בַּיַּת הַמֶּרְחָק.

17 And the king went forth, and all the people after him; and they tarried in Bethmerhak.

יח וְכָל-עֲבָדָיו עֹבְרִים עַל-יַדוֹ, וְכָל-הַכְּרֵתִי וְכָל-הַפְּלִתִי; וְכָל-הַגִּתִּים שֵׁשׁ-מֵאוֹת אִישׁ, אֲשֶׁר-בָּאוּ בְּרַגְלֵוֹ מִגַּת, עֹבְרִים, עַל-פְּנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ. {ס}

18 And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men that came after him from Gath, passed on before the king. {S}

יט וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ אֶל-אִתַּי הַגִּתִּי, לָמָּה תֵּלֵךְ גַּם-אִתָּה אֲתָנּוּ; שׁוּב וּשֵׁב עִם-הַמֶּלֶךְ כִּי-נִכְרִי אֲתָה, וְגַם-גֵּלָה אֲתָה לְמִקּוֹמְךָ.

19 Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite: 'Wherefore goest thou also with us? return, and abide with the king; for thou art a foreigner, and also an exile from thine own place.'

כ תַּמּוֹל בּוֹאֶךָ, וְהַיּוֹם אֲנוּעַךְ (אֲנִיעֶךָ) עִמָּנוּ לָלֶכֶת, וְאֲנִי הוֹלֵךְ, עַל אֲשֶׁר-אֲנִי הוֹלֵךְ; שׁוּב וְהִשָּׁב אֶת-אַחִיֶּךָ עִמָּךְ, חֲסֵד וְאֱמֶת.

20 Whereas thou camest but yesterday, should I this day make thee go up and down with us, seeing I go whither I may? return thou, and take back thy brethren with thee in kindness and truth.'

כא וַיַּעַן אִתַּי אֶת-הַמֶּלֶךְ, וַיֹּאמֶר: חִי-יְהוָה, וְחִי אֲדֹנָי הַמֶּלֶךְ, כִּי אִם () בְּמִקּוֹם אֲשֶׁר יְהִיֶה-שָׁם אֲדֹנָי הַמֶּלֶךְ אִם-לְמֹות אִם-לְחַיִּים, כִּי-שָׁם יְהִיֶה עֲבָדְךָ.

21 And Ittai answered the king, and said: 'As the LORD liveth, and as my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether for death or for life, even there also will thy servant be.'

כב וַיֹּאמֶר דָּוִד אֶל-אֶתִי, לֵךְ וְעֵבֶר; וַיַּעֲבֵר אֶתִי הַגִּתִּי, וְכָל-אֲנָשָׁיו, וְכָל-הַטָּף, אֲשֶׁר אִתּוֹ.

22 And David said to Ittai: 'Go and pass over.' And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with him.

כג וְכָל-הָאָרֶץ, בּוֹכִים קוֹל גָּדוֹל, וְכָל-הָעָם, לְעִבְרִים; וְהַמֶּלֶךְ, לְעֵבֶר בְּנַחַל קִדְרוֹן, וְכָל-הָעָם לְעִבְרִים, עַל-פְּנֵי-דָרֶךְ אֶת-הַמִּדְבָּר.

23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, as all the people passed over; and as the king passed over the brook Kidron, all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.

כד וְהִנֵּה גַם-צְדוֹק וְכָל-הַלְוִיִּם אִתּוֹ, נֹשְׂאִים אֶת-אֲרוֹן-בְּרִית הָאֱלֹהִים, וַיֵּצְקוּ אֶת-אֲרוֹן הָאֱלֹהִים, וַיַּעַל אֲבִיָּתָר-עַד-תַּם כָּל-הָעָם, לְעֵבֹר מִן-הָעִיר. {ס}

24 And, lo, Zadok also came, and all the Levites with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God; and they set down the ark of God--but Abiathar went up--until all the people had done passing out of the city. {S}

כה וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ לְצְדוֹק, הֲשֵׁב אֶת-אֲרוֹן הָאֱלֹהִים הָעִיר: אִם-אֲמַצָּא חַן, בְּעֵינַי יְהוָה--וְהִשְׁבֵּנִי, וְהִרְאֵנִי אֶתוֹ וְאֶת-נִוְהוֹ.

25 And the king said unto Zadok: 'Carry back the ark of God into the city; if I shall find favour in the eyes of the LORD, He will bring me back, and show me both it, and His habitation;

כו וְאִם כֹּה יֹאמֶר, לֹא חִפְצָתִי בָּךְ: הִנְנִי--יַעֲשֶׂה-לִּי, כַּאֲשֶׁר טוֹב בְּעֵינָיו. {ס}

26 but if He say thus: I have no delight in thee; behold, here am I, let Him do to me as seemeth good unto Him.' {S}

כז וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ, אֶל-צְדוֹק הַכֹּהֵן, הֲרוּאָה אֶתְּךָ, שְׁבֵה הָעִיר בְּשָׁלוֹם; וְאַחִימַעַץ בֶּנְדָם וַיהוֹנָתָן בֶּן-אֲבִיָּתָר, שְׁנֵי בְנֵיכֶם--אֶתְכֶם.

27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest: 'Seest thou? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.

כח רְאוּ אֲנֹכִי מִתְמַהֵמָה, בַּעֲבֹרוֹת (בְּעָרְבוֹת) הַמִּדְבָּר--עַד בּוֹא דָבָר מֵעַמְּכֶם, לְהַגִּיד לִי.

28 See, I will tarry in the plains of the wilderness, until there come word from you to announce unto me.'

כט וַיֵּשֶׁב צְדוֹק וְאֲבִיָּתָר אֶת-אֲרוֹן הָאֱלֹהִים, יְרוּשָׁלַם; וַיֵּשְׁבוּ, שָׁם.

29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God back to Jerusalem; and they abode there.

ל וַדָּוִד עָלָה בְּמַעְלֵה הַזַּיִתִּים עָלָה וּבֹכָה, וְרָאשׁ לֹו חֲפוּי, וְהוּא, הֶלֶךְ יַחַף; וְכָל-הָעָם אֲשֶׁר-אִתּוֹ, חֲפוּ אִישׁ רֹאשׁוֹ, וְעָלוּ עָלָה, וּבָכָה.

30 And David went up by the ascent of the mount of Olives, and wept as he went up; and he had his head covered, and went barefoot; and all the people that were with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.

לא וְדָוִד הִגִּיד לְאֹמֶר, אַחִיתֹפֶל בְּקִשְׁרִים עִם-אֲבִשָׁלוֹם; וַיֹּאמֶר דָּוִד, סִכְּל-נָא אֶת-עֲצַת אַחִיתֹפֶל יְהוָה.

31 And one told David, saying: 'Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom.' And David said: 'O LORD, I pray Thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.'

לב וַיְהִי דָוִד בָּא עַד-הָרֹאשׁ, אֲשֶׁר-יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה שָׁם לְאֱלֹהִים; וְהִנֵּה לְקִרְאָתוֹ, חוּשֵׁי הָאָרֶץ, קְרוּעַ כְּתָנָתוֹ, וְאֲדָמָה עַל-רֹאשׁוֹ.

32 And it came to pass, that when David was come to the top of the ascent, where God was wont to be worshipped, behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head.

לג וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ, דָּוִד: אִם עֲבַרְתָּ אֶתִּי, וְהִיתָ עָלַי לְמִשָּׂא.

33 And David said unto him: 'If thou passest on with me, then thou wilt be a burden unto Me;

לד וְאִם-הָעִיר תָּשׁוּב, וְאָמַרְתָּ לְאֲבִשָׁלוֹם עֲבָדְךָ אֲנִי הַמֶּלֶךְ אֲהִיָּה--עֲבָד אֲבִיךָ וְאֲנִי מָאֵז, וְעַתָּה וְאֲנִי עֲבָדְךָ; וְהִפְרַתָּה לִי, אֶת עֲצַת אַחִיתֹפֶל.

34 but if thou return to the city, and say unto Absalom: I will be thy servant, O king; as I have been thy father's servant in time past, so will I now be thy servant; then wilt thou defeat for me the counsel of Ahithophel.

לה וְהִלּוּא עֲמָדָה שָׁם, צְדוֹק וְאֲבִיָּתָר הַכֹּהֲנִים; וְהָיָה, כָּל-הַדָּבָר אֲשֶׁר תִּשְׁמַע מִבֵּית הַמֶּלֶךְ--תִּגִּיד, לְצְדוֹק וּלְאֲבִיָּתָר הַכֹּהֲנִים.

35 And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, that what thing soever thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell it to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.

לו הִנֵּה-שָׁם עִמָּם, שְׁנֵי בְנֵיהֶם--אַחִימַעַץ לְצְדוֹק, וַיהוֹנָתָן לְאֲבִיָּתָר; וְשִׁלְחָתֶם בְּיָדָם אֵלַי, כָּל-דָּבָר אֲשֶׁר תִּשְׁמָעוּ.

36 Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's son, and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and by them ye shall send unto me every thing that ye shall hear.'

