

PSALM 151

This Psalm is a genuine one of David, though supernumerary, *composed* when he fought in single combat with Goliath.

¹ I was small among my brethren,
And youngest in my father's house:
I tended my father's sheep.

² My hands formed a musical instrument,
And my fingers tuned a psaltery.

³ And who shall tell my Lord?
The Lord himself, he himself heareth.

⁴ He sent forth his angel,
And took me from my father's sheep,
And he anointed me with the oil of his anointing.

⁵ My brethren were handsome and tall;
But the Lord did not take pleasure in them.

⁶ I went forth to meet the Philistine;
And he cursed me by his idols.

⁷ But I drew his own sword, and beheaded him,
And removed reproach from the children of Israel.

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