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<sup>10</sup> The very next day a tormenting spirit from God overwhelmed Saul, and he began to rave in his house like a madman. David was playing the harp, as he did each day. But Saul had a spear in his hand, <sup>11</sup> and he suddenly hurled it at David, intending to pin him to the wall. But David escaped him twice.

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<sup>12</sup> Saul was then afraid of David, for the LORD was with David and had turned away from Saul. <sup>13</sup> Finally, Saul sent him away and appointed him commander over 1,000 men, and David faithfully led his troops into battle.

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<sup>14</sup> David continued to succeed in everything he did, for the LORD was with him. <sup>15</sup> When Saul recognized this, he became even more afraid of him. <sup>16</sup> But all Israel and Judah loved David because he was so successful at leading his troops into battle.

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4. The Cross of Jesus Christ does what comparison can't

# 1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT)

<sup>18</sup> For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value.

<sup>19</sup> It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

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