## **PSALM 151**

*Psalm 151* is recognized as Deuterocanonical Scripture by the Greek Orthodox and Russian Orthodox Churches.

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

<sup>1</sup> I was small among my brothers, and youngest in my father's house.

I tended my father's sheep.

- <sup>2</sup> My hands formed a musical instrument, and my fingers tuned a lyre.
- <sup>3</sup> Who shall tell my Lord?

The Lord himself, he himself hears.

<sup>4</sup> He sent forth his angel and took me from my father's sheep,

and he anointed me with his anointing oil.

- <sup>5</sup> My brothers were handsome and tall; but the Lord didn't take pleasure in them.
- <sup>6</sup> I went out to meet the Philistine, and he cursed me by his idols.
- <sup>7</sup>But I drew his own sword and beheaded him, and removed reproach from the children of Israel.

<sup>\* 1:</sup> or, supernumerary

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