

PSALM 151

Psalm 151 is recognised 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.

- ¹ I was small amongst my brothers,
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 lyre.
- ³ Who shall tell my Lord?
The Lord himself, he himself hears.
- ⁴ He sent forth his angel and took me from my
father's sheep,
and he anointed me with his anointing oil.
- ⁵ My brothers were handsome and tall;
but the Lord didn't take pleasure in them.
- ⁶ I went out 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.

* **1::** or, supernumerary

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