

1 Samuel 22:1-5 **David's Four Hundred Men – David took his parents to Moab**

¹ David therefore departed from there and escaped to the cave of Adullam. So when his brothers and all his father's house heard it, they went down there to him. ² And everyone who was in distress, everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented gathered to him. So he became captain over them. And there were about four hundred men with him.

³ Then David went from there to Mizpah of Moab; and he said to the king of Moab, "Please let my father and mother come here with you, till I know what God will do for me." ⁴ So he brought them before the king of Moab, and they dwelt with him all the time that David was in the stronghold.

⁵ Now the prophet Gad said to David, "Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and go to the land of Judah." So David departed and went into the forest of Hereth.

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Facts Revealed:

Four hundred men join with David fleeing from Saul [1 Samuel 22:1-5]

- ✧ David was afraid to stay in Gath since the Philistines knew him, so he departed from Gath and went to the cave of Adullam in the low lands of Judah. [1 Samuel 21:10-15, 22:1]
- ✧ Saul's hatred toward David put David's family in Jeopardy, so when his brothers and his father's house heard that David was in the cave of Adullam in Judah they went down to him.
- ✧ Then everyone who was in distress, in debt, and who were discontented gathered to David and he became captain over them, a band of about four hundred men.
- ✧ Life in exile was too difficult for David's father and mother, so he took them to the king of Moab in Mizpah until he would know what Elohiym would do for him. His father and mother stayed in Moab all the time David was in the stronghold.
- ✧ The prophet Gad advised David not to stay in the stronghold, so David and his men departed and went to the forest of Hereth in Judah.