

4:1 וַיִּשְׁמַע בֶּן־חֶבְרוֹן אֲבִנֶר מֵת כִּי שָׁאוּל - בָּן
 u·ishmo bn - shaul ki mth abnr b·chbrun u·irphu
 and·he-is-hearing son-of Saul that he-died Abner in·Hebron and·they-are-slackening

וַיְדוּ יָדָיו וְכָל־יִשְׂרָאֵל - נִבְהָלוּ
 idi·u u·kl - ishral nbelu
 hands-of·him and·all-of Israel they-were-flustered

4:2 וּשְׁנֵי וְשָׁמַיִם אֲנָשִׁים שָׂרֵי־גִדּוּדִים הָיוּ בֶן־שָׁאוּל שְׁמוֹ הָאֶחָד
 u·shni anshim shri - gdudim eiu bn - shaul shm e·achd
 and·two-of mortals chiefs-of raiding-parties they-were^{bc} son-of Saul name-of the·one

כִּי בְנֵי־רִמְמוֹן מִבְּנֵי הַבְּעֹרְתִי רִמּוֹן רַכָּב בְּנֵי הַשְּׁנִי וְשֵׁם בַּעֲנָה
 bone u·shm e·shni rkb bni rmun e·barthi m·bni bnimm ki
 Baanah and·name-of the·second Rechab sons-of Rimmon the·Beerothite from·sons-of Benjamin that

נָם בְּנֵי־מִן עַל־תְּחַשְׁבָּתָהּ פְּאֵרוֹת - גַּם
 gm - baruth thchshb ol - bnimm
 moreover Beeroth she-is-being-reckoned on Benjamin

4:3 וַיִּבְרְחוּ שָׁם - וַיְהִי גִתַּיִם הַבְּעֹרְתִים
 u·ibrchu e·barthim gthim·e u·ieiu - shm
 and·they-are-running-away the·Beerothites Gittaim·ward and·they-are-becoming there

גְּרִימִים עַד הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה : ס
 grim od e·ium e·ze : s
 ones-sojourning until the·day the·this

4:4 וַיְהִי־לְיֹנָתָן בֶּן־שָׁאוּל - בֶּן־נָכָה רְגִלִים שְׁנַיִם חֲמֹשׁ הָיָה
 u·l·ieunthn bn - shaul bn nke rglim bn - chmsh shnim eie
 and·to·Jonathan son-of Saul son smitten-of both-feet son-of five years he-was^{bc}

וַתִּשָּׂאֵהוּ מִן־זֵרְעָאֵל וַיְהוֹנָתָן שָׁאוּל שְׁמוֹתָהּ בָּא
 b·ba shmoth shaul u·ieunthn m·izroal u·thsha·eu
 in·to-come-of report-of Saul and·Jonathan from·Jezreel and·she-is-carrying-him

אִמְתּוֹ וַיְהִי וַתֵּס וַיִּבְרַח
 amnth·u u·thns u·iei
 one-being-foster-mother-of·him and·she-is-fleeing and·he-is-becoming

וַיִּפְסַח וַיִּפֹּל לָנוּס בְּחֶפְזָהּ
 b·chphz·e l·nus u·iphl u·iphsch
 in·to-be-in-nervous-haste-of·her to·to-flee-of and·he-is-falling and·he-is-being-lamed

וּשְׁמוֹ מִפְּיֹבֶשֶׁת :
 u·shm·u mphibshth
 and·name-of·him Mephibosheth

4:5 וַיָּבֹאוּ וַיִּבְעֲנָה רַכָּב וַיִּבְעֲנָה רִמְמוֹן בְּנֵי וַיֵּלְכוּ
 u·ilku bni - rmun e·barthi rkb u·bone u·ibau
 and·they-are-going sons-of Rimmon the·Beerothite Rechab and·Baanah and·they-are-coming

כַּחַם הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה מִשְׁכַּב אֶת־שֹׁכֵב וְהוּא אִישׁ־בִּשְׁתַּת בַּיִת - אֵל כַּחַם
 k·chm e·ium al - bith aish~bshth u·eua shkb ath mshkb e·tzerim
 as·warmth-of the·day to house-of Ish-Bosheth and·he lying-down > bed-of the·noons

4:6 וַהֲנֵה וַיָּבֹאוּ עַד תּוֹךְ־הַבַּיִת לָקְחוּ חִטִּים
 u·ene bau od - thuk e·bith lqchi chtim
 and·behold ! they-came unto midst-of the·house ones-taking-of wheats

וַיִּכְּהוּ וַיִּמְלְטוּ אַחִיו וַיִּבְעֲנָה וַיִּרְכָּב וַיִּחַם - אֵל
 u·ik·eu al - e·chmsh u·rkb u·bone achi·u nmltu
 and·they-are-^csmiting·him to the·fifth-rib and·Rechab and·Baanah brother-of·him they-ⁿescaped

4:7 וַיָּבֹאוּ מִשְׁכָּבוֹ בְּחֶדְרָהּ מִטָּתוֹ עַל־שֹׁכֵב וְהוּא הַבַּיִת
 u·ibau e·bith u·eua - shkb ol - mtth·u b·chdr mshkb·u
 and·they-are-entering the·house and·he lying-down on couch-of·him in·chamber-of bed-of·him

וַיִּכְּהוּ וַיִּסְרוּ אֶת־
 u·ik·eu u·imth·eu u·isiru ath -
 and·they-are-^csmiting·him and·they-are-^cputting-to-death·him and·they-are-^ctaking-off >

רָאשׁוֹ וַיִּקְחוּ רָאשׁוֹ וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיִּרְדּוּ כָּל־הָעֵרְבָה
 rash·u u·iqchu ath - rash·u u·ilku drk e·orbe kl -
 head-of·him and·they-are-taking > head-of·him and·they-are-going way-of the·gorge all-of

לַיְלָה :
 e·lile :
 the·night

1. And when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled.

2 And Saul's son had two men [that were] captains of bands: the name of the one [was] Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin:

3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.)

4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son [that was] lame of [his] feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name [was] Mephibosheth.

5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ishbosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.

6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, [as though] they would have fetched wheat; and they smote him under the fifth [rib]: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.

7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and gat them away through the plain all night.

4:8 וַיֹּאמְרוּ חֶבְרוֹן דָּוִד - אֵל אִישׁ-בִּשְׁתַּת רֹאשׁ - אֶת וַיָּבֵאוּ
 u·ibau ath - rash aish-bshtth al - dud chbrun u·iamru al -
 and·they-are-^obringing » head-of Ish-Bosheth to David Hebron and·they-are-saying to

בִּקְשׁ אֲשֶׁר בֶּן שָׁאוּל - בֶּן אִישׁ-בִּשְׁתַּת רֹאשׁ - הִנֵּה הַמֶּלֶךְ
 e·mlk ene - rash aish-bshtth bn - shaul aib·k ashtr bqsh
 the·king behold ! head-of Ish-Bosheth son-of Saul one-being-enemy-of·you who he-^msought

הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה הִנֵּה הַמֶּלֶךְ לְאֹדֶי יְהוָה וְנִתַּן נַפְשְׁךָ - אֶת
 ath - nphsh·k u·ithn ieue l·adn·i e·mlk nqmuth e·ium e·ze
 » soul-of·you and·he-is-giving Yahweh to·lord-of·me the·king vengeance the·day the·this

מִשָּׂאוּל וּמִזְרָעוֹ : ס
 m·shaul u·m·zro·u : s
 from·Saul and·from·seed-of·him

4:9 רִמְמוֹן בְּנֵי אַחִיו בַּעֲנָה - וְאֶת רֶכֶב - אֶת דָּוִד וַיַּעַן
 u·ion bni rmun achi·u u·ath - bone ath - rkb dud and·he-is-answering David » Rechab and·» Baanah brother-of·him sons-of Rimmon

נַפְשִׁי - אֶת פָּדָה - אֲשֶׁר יְהוָה - חַי לָהֶם וַיֹּאמֶר הַבְּאֵרְתִּי
 ath - nphsh·i phde ashtr - phde chi - ieue l·amr e·barthi u·iamr
 the·Beerothite and·he-is-saying to·them life Yahweh who he-ransomed » soul-of·me

מִכָּל - צָרָה :
 m·kl - tzre :
 from·all-of distress

4:10 הִנֵּה - וְהוּא שָׂאוּל מָת - הִנֵּה לְאֹמֶר לִי הַמְּגִיד כִּי
 ki e·mgid shaul u·eua - eie ene - mth l·amr l·i e·barthi
 that the·one-^otelling to·me to·to-say-of behold ! he-died Saul and·he he-was^{bc}

בְּצִקְלָג וְאֶחָדָהּ בּוֹ וְאֶחָזְחָהּ בְּעֵינָיו כַּמְבַּשֵּׁר
 k·mbshr b·oini·u u·achz·e b·u u·aerg·eu b·tzqlg
 as·one-^mbearing-tidings in·eyes-of·him and·I-am-holding in·him and·I-am-killing·him in·Ziklag

אֲשֶׁר לָתַתִּי לָּו - בְּשֵׂרָה לוֹ :
 ashtr l·thth·i - l·u bshre :
 whom to·to-give-of·me to·him reward-of-tidings

4:11 עַל - בְּבֵיתוֹ צַדִּיק - אִישׁ - אֶת הָרְגוּ רְשָׁעִים אָנָּשִׁים - כִּי אָף
 aph ki - anshim rshoim ergu ath - aish - tzdiq b·bith·u ol -
 indeed that mortals wicked-ones they-killed » man righteous in·house-of·him on

וּבְעַרְתִּי מִן־דָּמֹו אֶת אֲבִקְשׁ הַלּוֹא וְעַתָּה מִשְׁכְּבוֹ
 mshkb·u u·othe e·lua abqsh ath - dm·u m·id·km u·borthi
 bed-of·him and·now ?·not I-shall-^mseek » blood-of·him from·hand-of·you^(p) and·I-^meradicate

אֶתְכֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ - מִן אֶתְכֶם :
 ath·km mn - e·artz :
 »·you^(p) from the·earth

4:12 וַיְהִרְגוּם הַנְּעָרִים - אֶת דָּוִד וַיְצַו וַיִּצְוּ
 u·iergu·m ath - e·norim u·itzu dud and·they-are-killing·them
 and·he-is-^minstructing David » the·lads

עַל - וַיִּתְלוּ רַגְלֵיהֶם - וְאֶת יְדֵיהֶם - אֶת וַיִּקְצְצוּ
 u·ithlu u·ath - rgli·em ath - idi·em u·igtztzu ol -
 and·they-are-hanging on hands-of·them and·» feet-of·them and·they-are-cutting-away

בְּקִבְרֵי וַיִּקְבְּרוּ לָקְחוּ אִישׁ-בִּשְׁתַּת רֹאשׁ וְאֶת בְּחֶבְרוֹן הַבְּרָכָה
 e·brke u·iqbru lqchu aish-bshtth rash u·ath b·chbrun e·brke
 the·reservoir in·Hebron and·» head-of Ish-Bosheth they-took and·they-are-entombing in·tomb-of

בְּחֶבְרוֹן אַבְנֵר : פ
 abnr b·chbrun : p
 Abner in·Hebron

8 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ishbosheth the son of Saul thine enemy, which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.

9 And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, [As] the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,

10 When one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good tidings, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, who [thought] that I would have given him a reward for his tidings:

11 How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?

12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged [them] up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ishbosheth, and buried [it] in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.