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what had happened to his messengers he was evidently so carried away with the enthusiasm of the gathering that he removed his outer garments and joined in the songs of praise, staying there for many hours and finally falling asleep from sheer exhaustion, forgetting altogether for the time being his hatred against David who was thus afforded an opportunity to escape.

While the description of Saul's actions does give the impression of a highly umnatural mental state it should be observed that it is not the prophets but Saul who is involved in this description. This king, who was turning against the God who had placed him upon the throne, had always been highly emotional, and at this time 16 he was in a neurotic condition, moving rapidly from one extreme of emotion to the other. Rapid 18 changes of emotion, or even highly ecstatic 19 states of mind, might well be typical of Saul. 20 but this is no proof that they characterized the 21 prophetic movement.

Two other passages from I Sam and two from II 23 Kings might be mentioned, although with far less 24 reason than in the case of the two passages from <sup>25</sup> I Sam already discussed. The first of these is

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