



Shmuel II Perek 4

- Ish Boshes and all of Yisrael were shocked by the news of the death of Avner. (Note: Yisrael was concerned about the type of people with whom the new king, Dovid, was surrounding himself.)
- Mefiboshes was the lame son of Yonason. Mefiboshes had been dropped by his nurse when he was 5 years old, when the nurse heard the news of the deaths of Yonason and Shaul. This caused Mefiboshes' legs to become paralyzed.
- Two men, Rachav and Ba'ana, who were high-ranking officers from the house of King Shaul, killed Ish Boshes.
- The two men had pretended to be wheat merchants in order to gain entrance into the house of Ish Boshes.
- The two men approached Ish Boshes as he slept and decapitated him.
- The head of Ish Boshes was brought to King Dovid.
- King Dovid then killed the two men by cutting off their wrists and ankles and he displayed their body parts for all of Yisrael to see. (Note: Dovid wanted to show Yisrael that he had nothing to do with the death of Ish Boshes and he did not order his assassination.)