~LAHMI (40) (Lah'mi) [My Bread]

- The brother of Goliath the Gittite. The account at:
- And there came to be war again with the Philistines, and Elhanan the son of Jair got to strike down Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, the shaft of whose spear was like the beam of loom workers. (1 Chronicles 20:5)
- Reads, in part, Elhanan the son of Jair got to strike down Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, during a war with the Philistines. However, in a parallel text at;
- And war arose once again with the Philistines at Gob, and Elhanan the son of Jaare-oregim the Bethlehemite got to strike down Goliath the Gittite, the shaft of whose spear was like the beam of loom workers. (2 Samuel 21:19)
- The reading is. Elhanan the son of Jaare-oregim the Bethlehemite got to strike down Goliath the Gittite.
- In the latter text it appears that *'eth-lach-mi'*, in English, Lahmi, the Hebrew term *'eth* merely denoting that Lahmi is the object of a verb, was misread by a copyist to be *behth hal-lach-mi'*; Bethlehemite. Therefore the original probably read, got to strike down Lahmi, just as the parallel text at reads;
- And there came to be war again with the Philistines, and Elhanan the son of Jair got to strike down Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, the shaft of whose spear was like the beam of loom workers. (1 Chronicles 20:5)
- This would make the two texts harmonize on this point. Lahmi, then, was evidently the brother of the Goliath that David killed. On the other hand, it is possible that there were two Goliaths.

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