FROM I SAMUEL .selected verses, not consecutive

Kish had a son named Saul, a young man in his prime; there was no better man among the Israelites than he. He stood a head taller than any of the people.

The Spirit of God suddenly took possession of Saul, so that he too was filled with prophetic rapture.

Samuel said “there is no one like him in this whole nation. God has given Saul to you for your King. They all acclaimed him, shouting ‘Long live the king!’

When Saul heard this, in anger he took a pair of oxen, cut them in pieces, and sent messengers with the pieces all through Israel to proclaim that the same would be done to the oxen of any man who did not follow Saul into battle.

Saul mustered three hundred thousand men from Israel and thirty thousand from Judah. He said ‘Victory will be yours tomorrow by the time the sun is hot.’

The next day Saul with his men in three columns forced their way right into the enemy camp during the morning watch and massacred the Ammonites.

Saul said, ‘Let us go down and make a night attack on the Philistines; we will not spare a single one of them.’

Samuel said ‘Saul, you have acted foolishly.’

Saul swore a solemn oath that his son Jonathan should be killed for eating honey, which Saul had forbidden.

The Lord spoke to the prophet Samuel, saying ‘I repent of having made Saul king.’ He went to meet Saul, but was told he had gone to Carmel, to set up a monument to himself. When they met Samuel said, ‘You are filled with rebellion and arrogance.’

The spirit of the Lord had forsaken Saul, and at times an evil spirit from the Lord would seize him suddenly. And whenever an evil spirit from God came upon Saul, David would take his lyre and play it, so that relief would come to Saul.

Next day an evil spirit seized on Saul. He fell into a frenzy and David played the lyre to him as before. Saul hurled his spear at David, meaning to pin him to the wall; but twice David dodged aside. Saul incited his son and all his household to kill David. But his son pled for David and things were as they were before.
Later Saul again tried to pin David to the wall with his spear, but David escaped.

Saul sent his servants to kill David, but David’s wife, Saul’s daughter, helped him escape out the window.

Saul pursued David but fell into a frenzy, stripped off his clothes and lay down naked all that day and throughout the night.

When David had finished speaking, Saul said, ‘Is that you, David my son?’ and he burst into tears.

Later, after Saul was again pursuing David to kill him, he changed and said, ‘I have done wrong; come back David my son. I will never harm you again.’

Saul was overcome and terrified. He fell full length to the ground. He had no strength left, for he had eaten nothing all day and all night.

Saul said to his armour-bearer, ‘Draw your sword and run me through, so that these brutes may not come and taunt me and make sport of me.’ But the armour-bearer refused; he dared not do it. Thereupon Saul took his own sword and fell on it and died.

What is Saul’s psychiatric diagnosis?

From the New Testament, Book of Mark, Chapter 5

As Jesus stepped ashore, a man possessed by an unclean spirit came up to him from among the tombs where he had made his home. Nobody could control him any longer; even chains were useless, for he had often been fettered and chained up, but had snapped his chains and broken the fetters. No one was strong enough to master him. Unceasingly, night and day, the madman would cry aloud among the tombs and on the hillsides and gash himself with stones. When he saw Jesus in the distance, he ran up and flung himself down before him, shouting at the top of his voice, ‘What do you want with me, Jesus, son of the Most High God? In God’s name, do not torment me.’ For Jesus was already saying to him, ‘Out, unclean spirit, come out of the man!’ Jesus asked him,
'What is your name?' ‘My name is Legion,’ he said, ‘there are so many of us.’ And he implored Jesus not to send them out of the district. There was a large herd of pigs nearby, feeding on the hillside, and the spirits begged him, ‘Send us among the pigs; let us go into them.’ He gave them leave; and the unclean spirits came out and went into the pigs and the herd, of about two thousand, rushed over the edge into the lake and were drowned.

What are we to make of this story? Probably mainly that people in those days believed psychosis was evidence of possession by evil spirits. We can’t imagine two thousand pigs falling over a cliff into the lake. They are too smart for that.