

David and Goliath

1 Samuel 17

The Story

Parents: Review this lesson with your child.

God had chosen David to be the next king after King Saul. David was a young man who lived with his family in Bethlehem and helped take care of his family's sheep. Three of David's brothers were soldiers in King Saul's army. They were fighting the Philistines.

David's father, Jesse, sent David to bring supplies to his brothers. While David was there he heard about the Philistine giant, Goliath.

Every day Goliath would come out and make fun of God's army. He told them to send one of their men out to fight him. If Goliath won, the people of Saul's land would have to be servants to the Philistines. If Goliath did not win, his people would become servants for King Saul.

The men in Saul's army were afraid to fight the giant, but when David heard how Goliath made fun of God's people, he said that he would be the one to go and fight.

King Saul wanted to meet David. He didn't think that David could win because he was so young. David told him that when he was taking care of sheep God helped him kill a lion and a bear to protect the animals. God would also help him win and defeat Goliath.

When King Saul saw how much David trusted in God, he told him to go out and fight Goliath.

Goliath, the giant, had a suit of armor, a javelin, a sword, and a special servant to carry a shield for him. When David went out to fight, he took 5 stones and a slingshot. But David had the perfect weapon, God.

Goliath made fun of David and said he would kill him. David told him that God was with him and would keep His people safe.

David took a stone and put it into his sling. Then he threw it at Goliath. It hit Goliath in the forehead. After Goliath fell down, David took the giant's sword and cut off Goliath's head. The enemies ran but God's army chased them.

God protected His people from the Philistine army by helping David kill Goliath.

The LORD was with David to defeat Goliath.

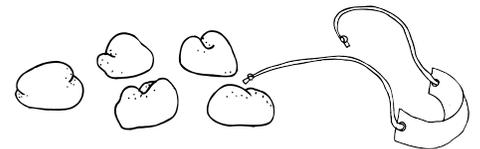
The LORD is with us.

Passage

"Our help is in the name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth." Psalms 124:8

Hymn - TLH 648 v. 1

I am Jesus' little lamb, ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me,
Knows my needs and well provides me,
Loves me ev'ry day the same,
Even calls me by my name.



Prayer

Dearest Jesus, You are our Savior. Deliver us from evil and forgive our sins. Help us to bring your Word to others. Amen.



Classroom Activity - Finger Puppet Review - Cut out the finger puppets then use them to review the story.



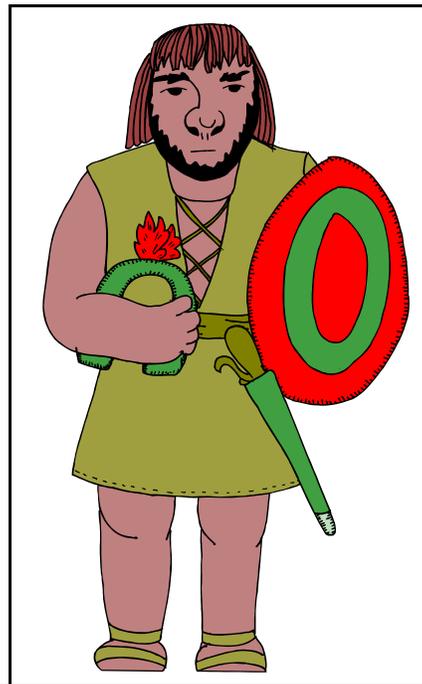
Jesse



King Saul



David

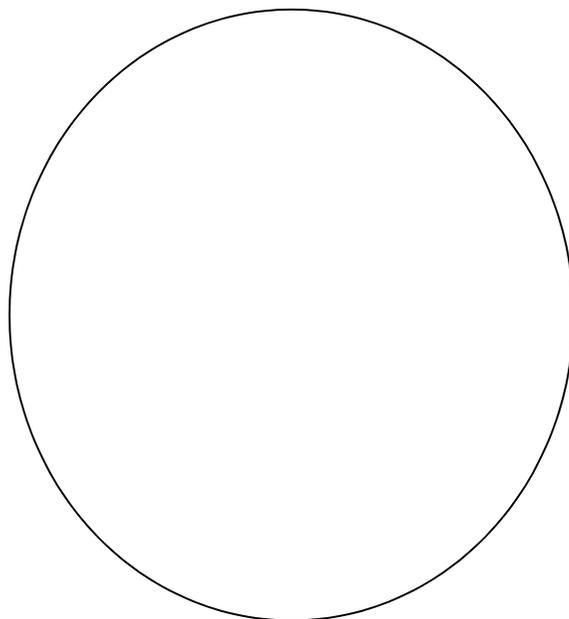


Goliath

Classroom Activity - Add hair, eyes, nose, mouth, etc. to make your own happy face.

The Lord is with

 Help me write my name.



The LORD was with David.



Classroom Art Activity - Lamb

- Help each child glue cotton balls and eye to hand to make little lamb. Sing the Hymn from page 1.



- Supplies needed/child:
- ✓ hand cut out (gray paper)
 - ✓ cotton balls
 - ✓ button for eye or googly eye



Hand Pattern