

David and Goliath



5+ Lesson pack

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Introduction

This week we continue looking at David and focus on David and Goliath.

Video playlist

Our passage is found in 1 Samuel 17. Some of the main points we will focus on are:

- David didn't let his size stop him.
- David remembered God was bigger than any giant
- David could not use someone else's protection or weapons.
- David remembered God's faithfulness.



Lesson Guide

Begin by reminding your child of Samuel anointing David as the next king of Israel. Remind them how even though David was anointed king he had to wait a long time before he was king. Share how he went back to looking after the sheep.

Explain how he was too young to go to battle. So, he stayed at home to look after the sheep while his brother went to fight.

Read 1 Samuel with your child and make it as interactive as possible. Either use a children's Bible or paraphrase in an appropriate way for your child(ren).

Here are a few ideas:

- 1) When you mention David, the child must kneel (because David was small).
- 2) When you mention Goliath, your child must stand on tiptoes because He was tall.
- 3) Take some objects (A leather strap (sling), five smooth stones).

Measure Goliath's size on the floor or wall (around 290 cm or 9 feet, 6 inches). Have your child measure themselves against it. Ask them if they would be scared to fight someone this size? Remind them how David remembered that God was even bigger than Goliath. Talk about how God is bigger than all the problems we face.

Explain how everyone thought that David was too small to fight Goliath. Even Goliath thought it was a joke when David went out to fight him. Remind your child that they are never too small or too weak for God to use. Just like David, God has a plan for them and all they need to do is trust and obey God.

Collect some adult clothing and have the child try to wear it. Have them try to complete some simple activities while wearing the clothes. For example, eating some food with a jumper that is too long. Walking across a room wearing large trousers or shoes and so on. Your child will most likely find it fun, but you can show them it makes it difficult. Explain how David couldn't go to battle with Saul's armour. Remind your child, that faith and gifts is individual. You can't borrow from someone else (even parents), God has something special just for them.

Speak about one of the reasons why David was not afraid was he remembered God's goodness and how He had protected him in the past. Make a list of some things your child can be thankful for that God has blessed them with. Food to eat, getting well after they were sick and so on. Speak about how we must remember God's goodness to us and say thank you.

David and Goliath

In the neighbouring land lived a people called the Philistines. They did not worship the true God. The Philistines gathered an army and decided to attack the people of Israel. The Israelites gathered an army and went to defend their country.

The Philistines camped on one hill. The Israelites camped on another. A valley lay between the two armies.

The Philistines had a soldier named Goliath. Goliath was very big and very strong. In fact, he was a giant!



Goliath would go into the valley between the two armies every day. “Why do you not come and fight us?” He would shout. “Choose a man to come down and fight me. If I kill him, you will be servants to my people. If he kills me, the Philistines will be servants to your people. I defy you all. Send a man to fight me.”



Saul and all his soldiers were unhappy.

Jesse’s three oldest sons were a part of Saul’s army, but David was not.

Forty days passed. Every day, Goliath would shout and say, “Send a man to fight me.”

One day, David was delivering some food. He was talking to his brothers when he heard Goliath shouting. The Israelites were very afraid of Goliath, and even though Saul had offered a reward to whomever killed him, no one would face him in battle.

“Who is this Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?” David asked.

David said to Saul, “Don’t let anyone be afraid of this Philistine. I will go and fight him.”

“You are young, and he is a strong soldier. You can’t fight him,” Saul said.



“I have tended my father’s sheep. I have killed a lion and a bear to protect them. The Lord who rescued me from the lion and the bear will rescue me from this Philistine who has defied God’s army.”

“Go and God be with you.” Saul said and gave David his armour to wear.

The armour was too heavy, and David took it off. Instead, David took his staff, his sling, and five smooth stones. He approached Goliath, and Goliath laughed and mocked him.

“You have weapons, but I come in the name of the Lord Almighty. The Lord will deliver you into my hands.”

Goliath tried to attack David, but he put a stone into his sling and hurled it at Goliath.

The stone struck Goliath on the forehead, and he fell down.

David had triumphed over the mighty soldier with a sling and stone!



Draw lines to match the words to the correct characters

Shepherd

King

Giant

Boy

Tall

Big

Scared

Small

Brave

Scary

Young

Armor

Mighty

Sling shot

Stones

Trusted God

Philistine

Hebrew



David

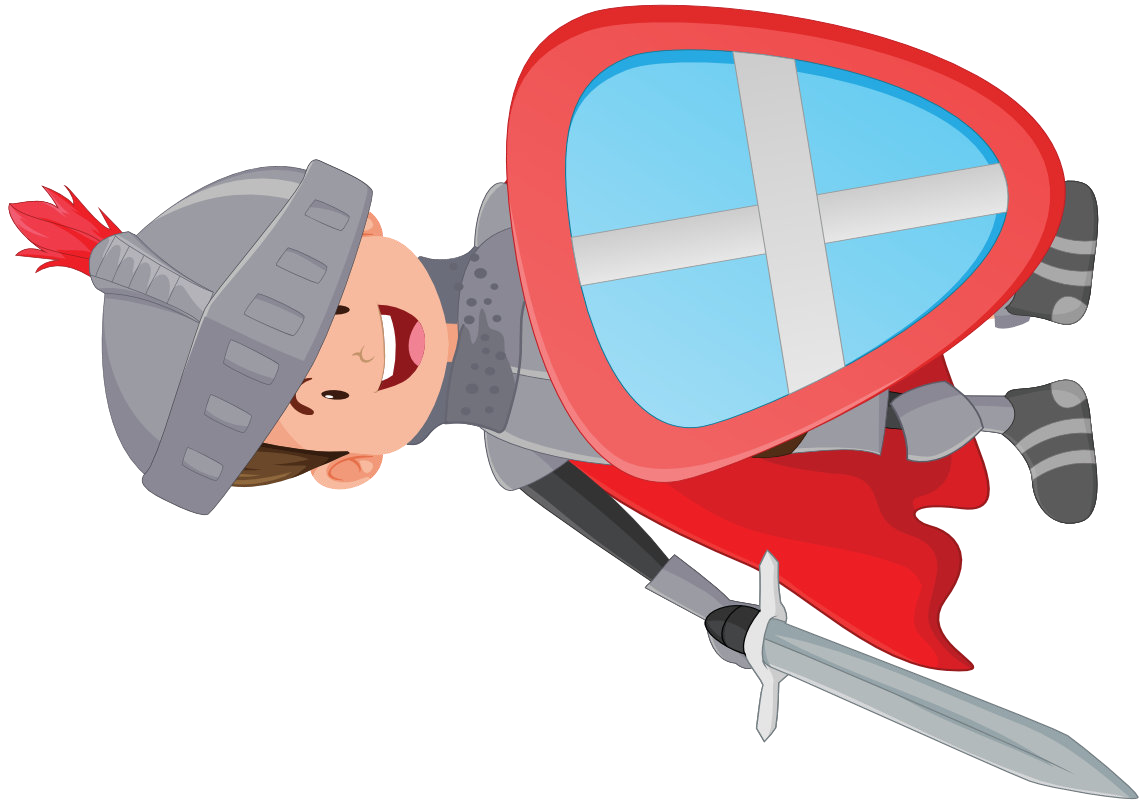


King Saul

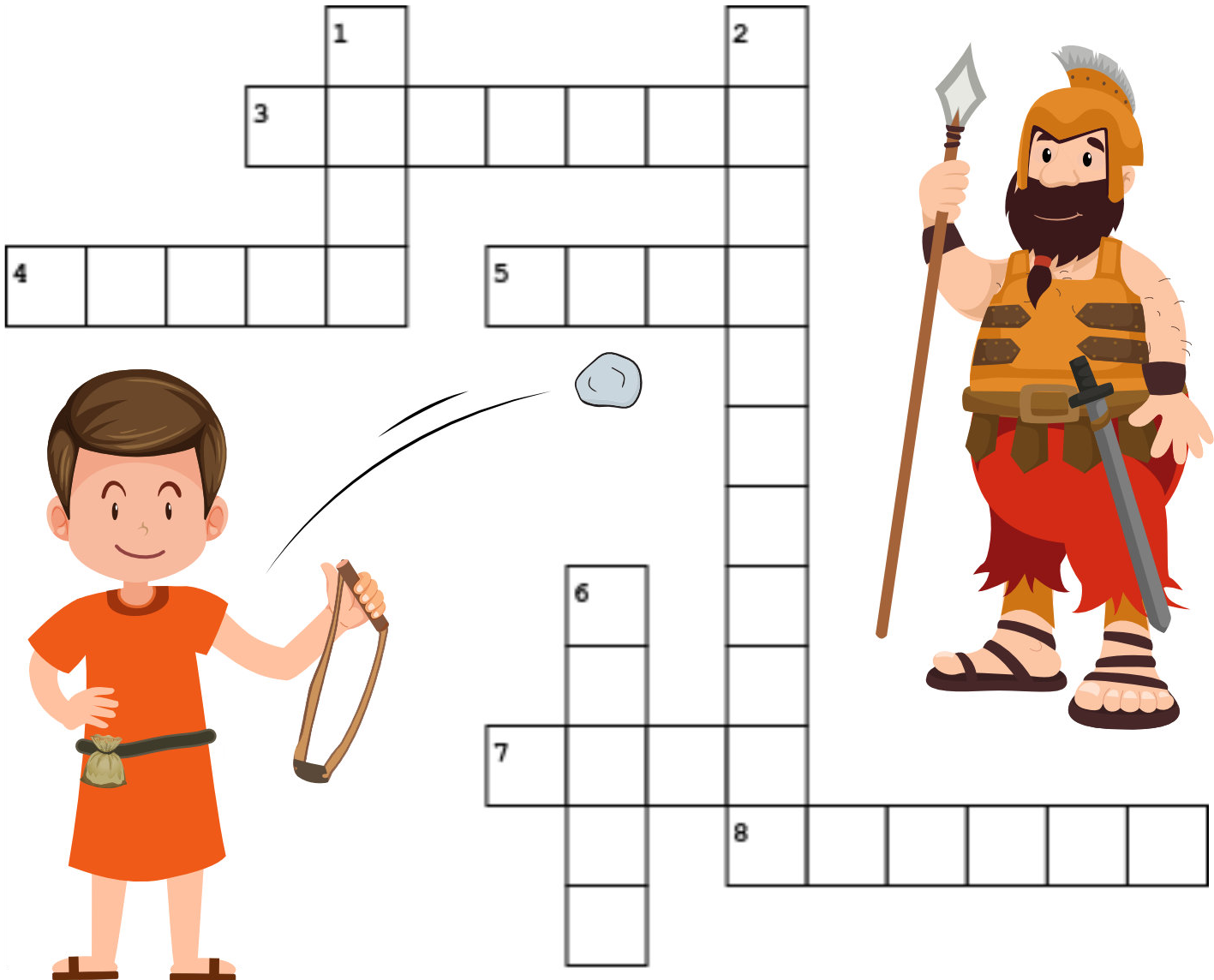


Goliath

Spot 10 differences



David and Goliath - Crossword



Across

3. The name of the giant.
4. The boy who fought the giant.
5. The name of the king.
7. How many stones did David collect?
8. David picked up five of these.

Down

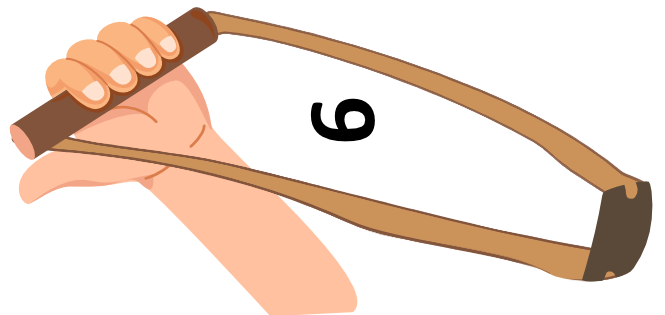
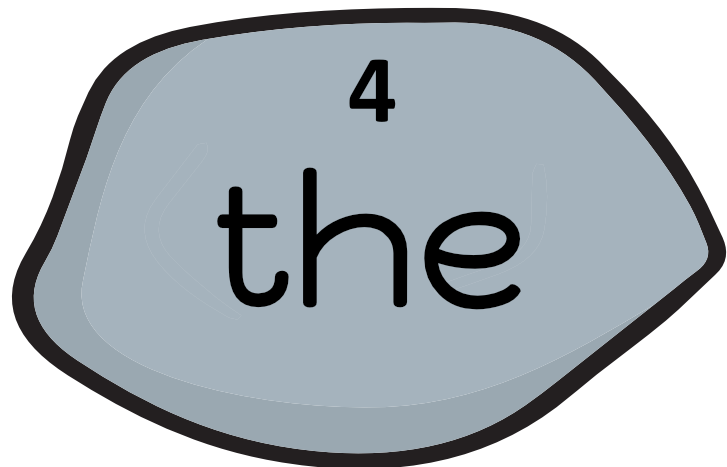
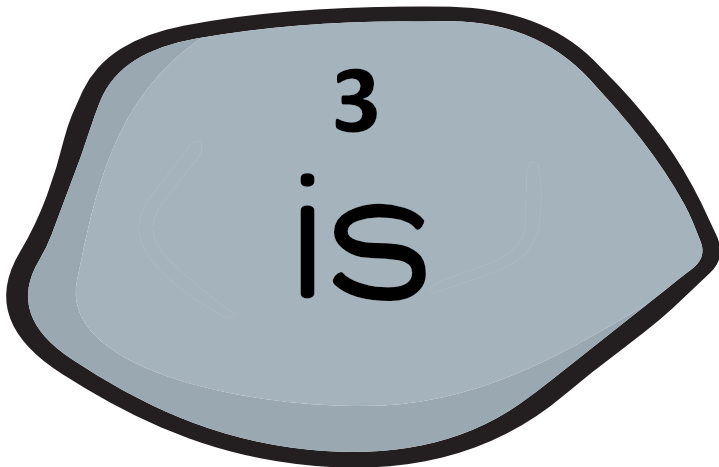
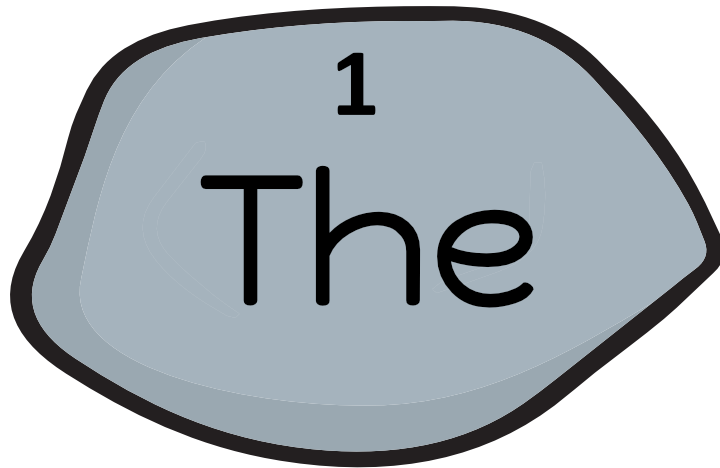
1. What was David delivering to his brothers?
2. Goliath fought for the army.
6. What weapon did David use to fight Goliath?

Answers

David, Goliath, Saul, Stones, Philistines, Food, Sling, Five

Memory Verse

Roll a dice. Match the number to collect the stone.
Complete the memory verse and place in order.



Games and Activities

Playdough Story Activity

Materials: Playdough or modeling clay. Object cards.

Instructions: Prepare some cards listing objects from today's passage. For example, Bread, stones, crown, sling, sheep and so on.

Have a child to pick a card and try to make the object from clay. Other children should try to guess the object.

Bonus points can be given if child who guess explains where it fits into this week's passage.



Giant Target Practice

Materials: Masking tape, a picture of Goliath's face, a soft ball or crunched up paper.

Instructions: Tape Goliath's face high on the wall. If your room is high enough, place it the same height a Goliath.

Give each child a piece of paper. They will crunch it up in a ball. Each child will have a chance to hit "Goliath" in the face.

Talk about how David, when he threw the stone with his slingshot, believed God that he was going to kill the giant. With God's help, he was able to defeat him.

God is bigger than....Game

Instructions: This game is similar to the Alphabet game that you play naming something that begins with the letter "A" to start.

The second person repeats the word that the first player said and adds something that begins with the letter "B".

So, it would be something like, "God is bigger than an airplane". Then, the second child would say, "God is bigger than an airplane and a bus". The third child would say, "God is bigger than an airplane, a bus and a camel".

Talk about the greatness and power of our God, and how He helped David to confront and overcome someone much bigger than himself.





Fleece Bag

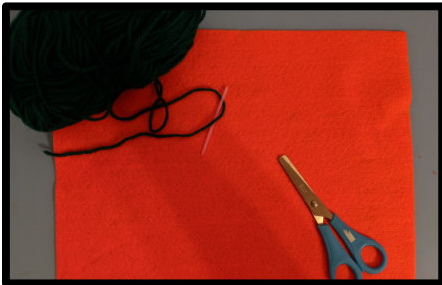
Use this craft to remind the children how David collected five stones. Use the memory verse stone to fill it or take them out to collect some stones and place in their bag.

What you need:

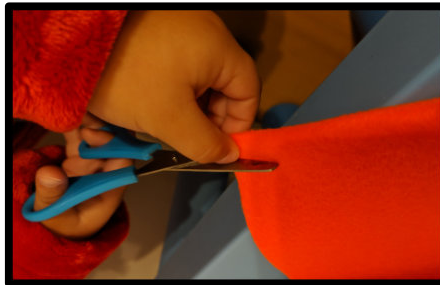
- 1 piece of A4 felt
- Wool
- Plastic or safety needle
- Scissors
- Button (optional)



What to do:



Collect all your supplies
Pick any colour felt



Fold felt in half and cut
along fold



Cut about 5cm off the top
of one half.

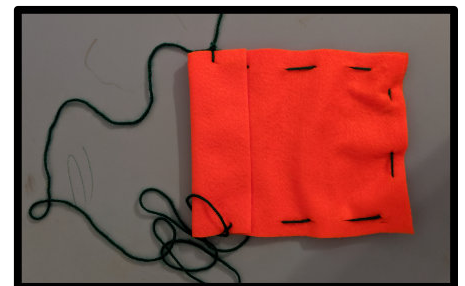


ADULT

Fold felt and make small
snips around the outside
of felt which can be used
to thread wool.



Using wool and a safety
needle. Sew around the
outside of the bag to
attach both sides
together.



At the top of the bag, make
a strap the correct size for
your child and tie a knot to
hold in place.

Knock down Goliath

What you need:

Colouring Equipment

Scissors

What to do:

Colour the Goliath image

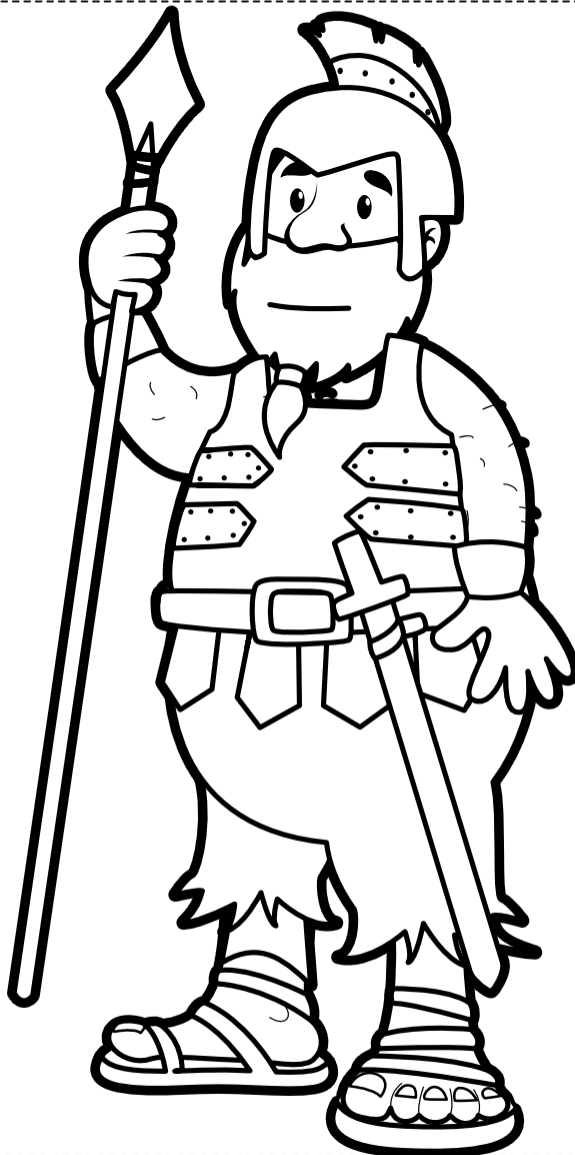
Cut around box and glue.

Game:

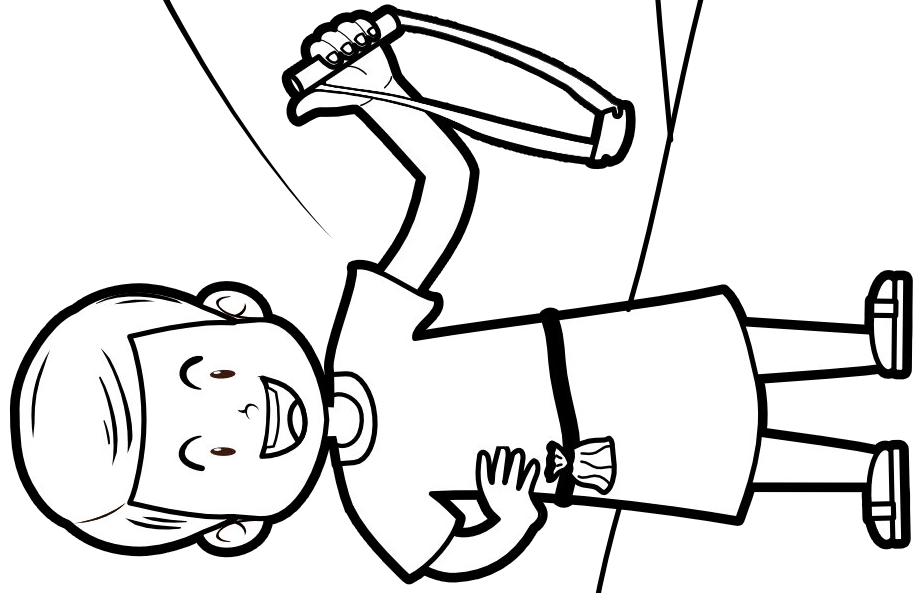
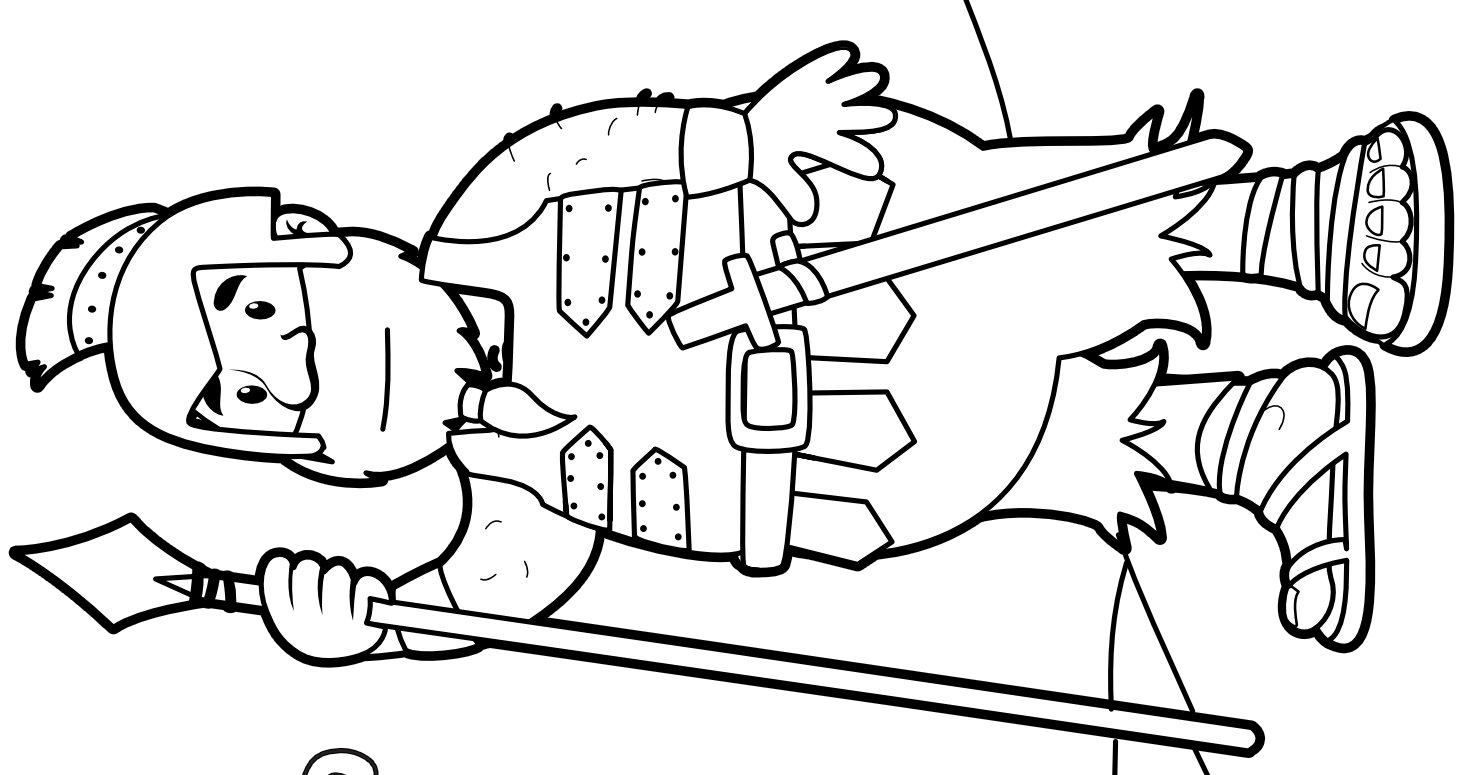
Take turns to flick or throw pieces of paper and try to knockdown Goliath.



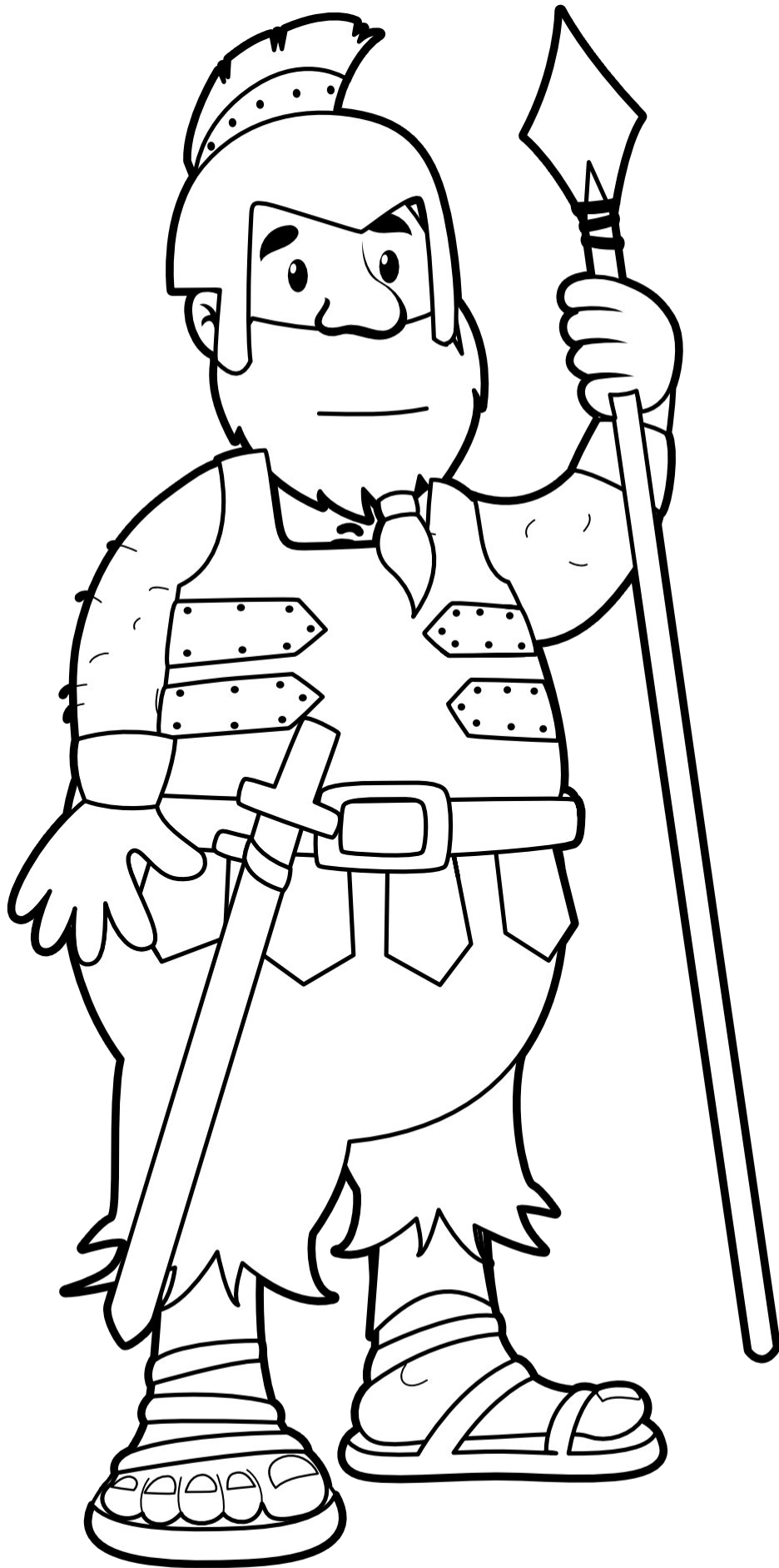
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Glue here







Worship Time

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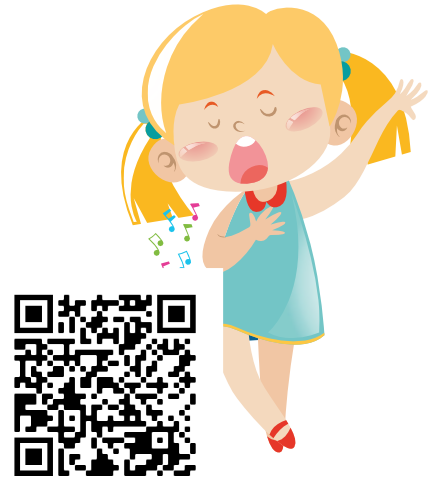
Only a Boy Named David

<https://youtu.be/FHkRPTwADBk>

The Armor of God Fits Good on Me

<https://youtu.be/fMFGGHCd6Vs>

Make a Difference



Prayer Time

Thank God for His goodness and protection.

Ask God to help you trust him and remember He is bigger than anything.

Next Week
David waits to be King

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