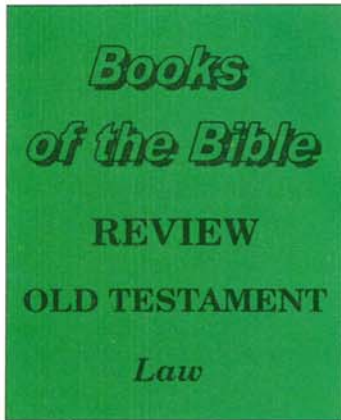


David Defeats Goliath

Bible Lesson: I Samuel 17



The armies of Israel were at war with the Philistines. King Saul's army stood on one mountain, and the Philistines stood on another mountain, with a valley between them. The Philistines had a champion named Goliath in their army. Goliath was a giant over nine feet tall. Every day Goliath shouted across the valley to the Israelites on the other mountain, "Choose a man to come and fight me. If he wins, we will be your servants, but if I win, you will be our servants."

David, the son of Jesse from Bethlehem, had three older brothers who were in King Saul's army. One day Jesse sent David with food and supplies for his brothers. Jesse also wanted David to bring back news from the brothers.

David obeyed his father. He arose early in the morning and went and found his brothers. While he was talking to them, Goliath the giant again shouted his challenge, "Choose a man to come and fight me." David asked his brothers, "Who is this Philistine that he should mock the armies of the living God?"

When King Saul heard that David had asked why Goliath dared to challenge the armies of Israel, he sent for David. Then David said, "I will go and fight this Philistine." Saul told David he was too young to fight. But David told Saul about the dangerous animals he had killed as he was tending his sheep. David said, "The Lord who delivered me from the lion and the bear will deliver me from this Philistine."

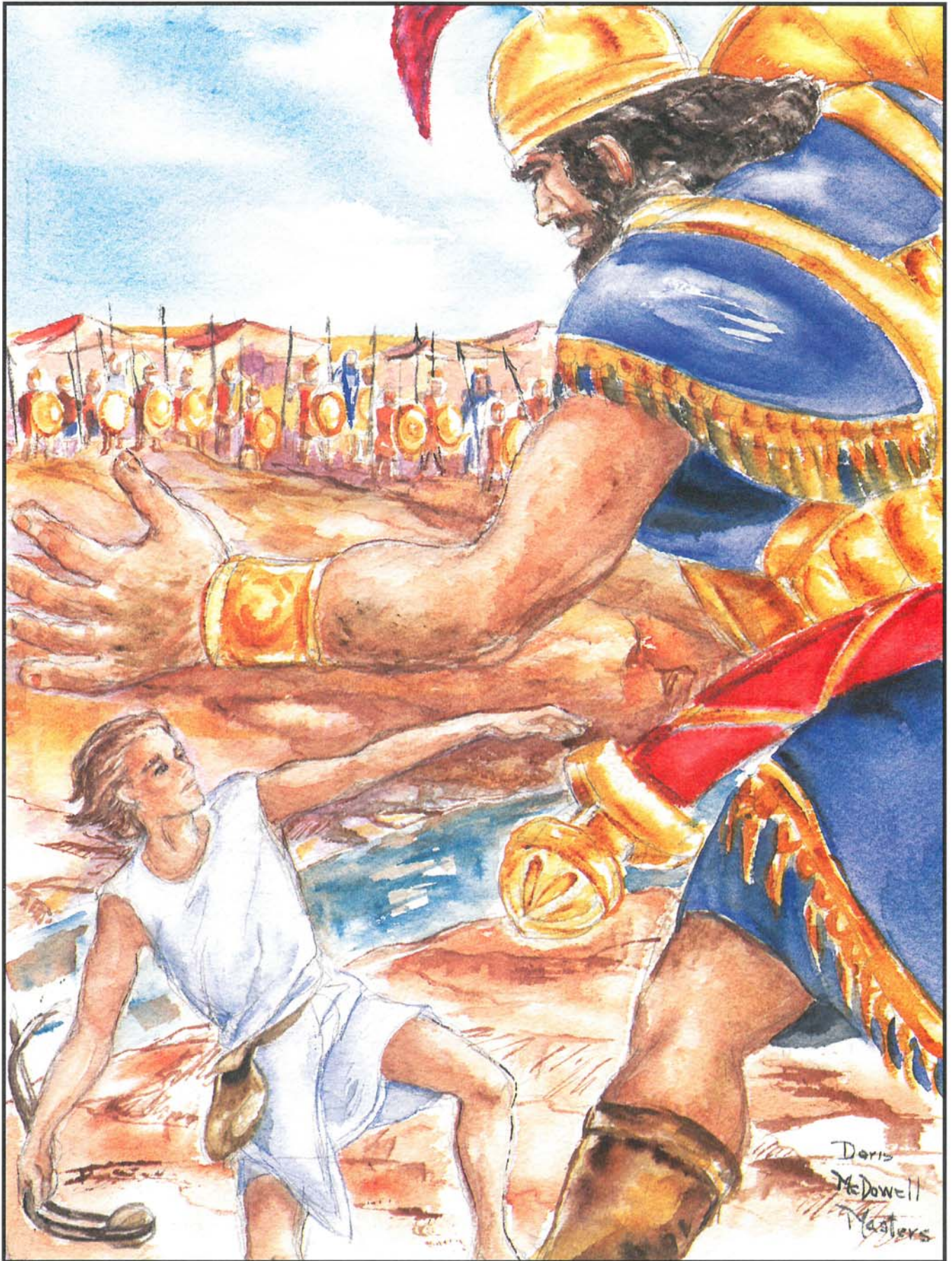
Saul agreed to let David fight the giant Goliath. Saul put a bronze helmet on David's head and clothed him with armor. But David was not used to wearing armor, so he took it off. Then he took his stick and chose five smooth stones from the brook to put into his shepherd's bag. He carried his sling in his hand as he walked toward the giant.

Goliath said, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" Then Goliath cursed David and said, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the sky and the beasts of the field." David answered, "You come to me with a sword and a spear, but today I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel." Then David ran quickly to meet Goliath. David took a stone from his bag and put it in his sling. He slung the stone, and it struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, so that Goliath fell on his face to the ground.

By God's help, David killed the giant Goliath. That day God brought victory to the armies of Israel, and all the Philistines ran away.

Memory Verse

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord of hosts.
Zechariah 4:6



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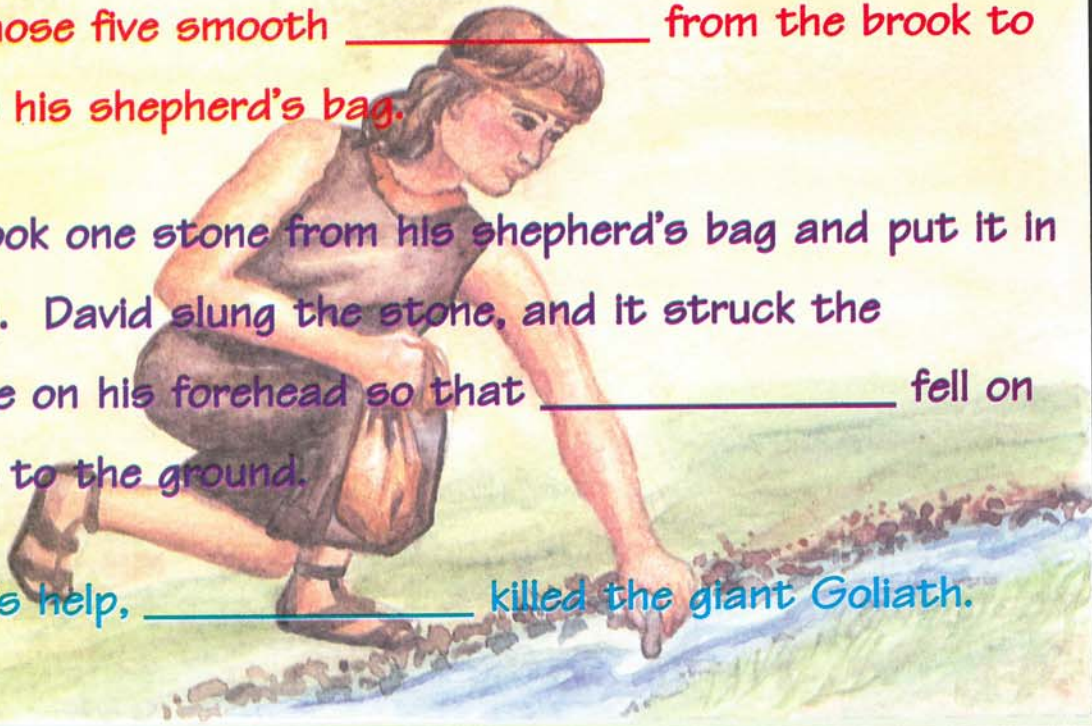
3. Saul agreed to let David fight the _____ Goliath, who was over nine feet tall.

4. Saul clothed David with _____, but David took the armor off.

5. David chose five smooth _____ from the brook to put into his shepherd's bag.

6. David took one stone from his shepherd's bag and put it in his sling. David slung the stone, and it struck the Philistine on his forehead so that _____ fell on his face to the ground.

7. By God's help, _____ killed the giant Goliath.







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