





# David

I Samuel 17:1-50

## Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your almighty power. You can do anything. Nothing is too hard for You. Thank You for salvation given to us through Your Son, Jesus. He has given us victory over sin and death. Thank You for promising to be with us and help us when we face difficult situations. Help us trust Your Word and rest in Your promises. Amen.

## Family devotions

### SUNDAY

Psalm 54:1-7

### MONDAY

Psalm 18:1-3

### TUESDAY

Psalm 68:19-20

### WEDNESDAY

I Samuel 17:32-37, 50

### THURSDAY

I Chronicles 29:10-13

### FRIDAY

Psalm 99:1-5

### SATURDAY

I Kings 17:1-6

## Family activity

\* Measure 9 feet up on a wall to show how tall Goliath was. Then take turns standing against the wall to compare heights. Emphasize that God uses people of all ages and sizes.

\* Go for a walk and look for five smooth stones like David may have used. Talk about how God helped David defeat Goliath the giant.

## Did you know?

\* Goliath was over 9.5 feet tall. His armor weighed about 125 pounds and his spearhead about 15 pounds (I Samuel 17:4-7).

\* David was probably 15-20 years old when he conquered Goliath.

\* A good slinger in David's day could hurl a stone as far and as accurate as an archer, up to 440 yards or a quarter of a mile.

## What's it all about?

Was young David naive to think he could defeat Goliath? Goliath was a giant, and David was but a youth. How did David have the courage to face Goliath? David trusted God. He was amazed and indignant that someone would come to "taunt the armies of the living God" (I Samuel 17:26). God had helped David kill a lion and a bear to defend his sheep. Now God would help him kill Goliath to defend the people of God. God had promised the Israelites that their enemies would be defeated. David remembered that promise and came with confidence to fight Goliath "in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel" (I Samuel 17:45).

## Songs to sing

"Only a Boy Named David"  
 "My God Is So Big"  
 "Savior, Teach Me, Day by Day"

## Memory verse

"For I am the LORD your God, who upholds your right hand, who says to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you.'" *Isaiah 41:13*

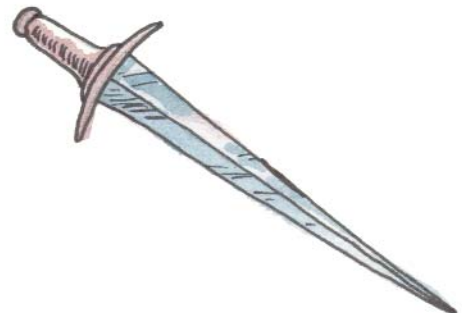
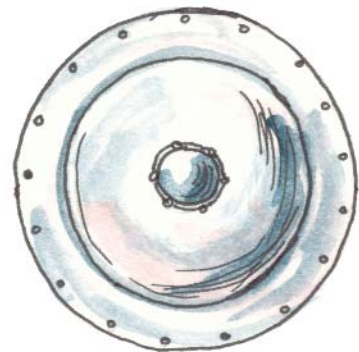
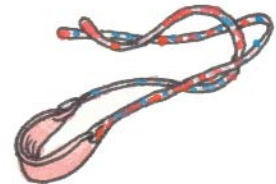
# David and Goliath

Draw a line from David or Goliath to their correct items

David



Goliath



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# David kills the giant

I Samuel 17:1-50

Long ago there lived a boy named David. David took care of his father's sheep. While David watched the sheep out in the pasture, he liked to play his harp and sing songs to God. David loved God and trusted Him. David's brothers were all in King Saul's army. One day David's father called him. "Bring this food to your brothers," he said. David was happy to bring food to his brothers. When he got there, David saw that the enemies of God's people had a very big man fighting on their side. His name was Goliath. Goliath was more than nine feet tall! Everyone was afraid of Goliath. They

knew he was very strong, so they did not want to fight him.

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David saw that everyone was afraid. He said, "I will fight Goliath."

"How can you fight Goliath?" asked King Saul. "You are only a boy."

"God will help me," David said.

King Saul gave David his sword and armor. But they were too big and heavy for David, so he gave them back.

Instead, David picked up five smooth stones from the stream and called out to Goliath, "I come to you in the name of God. This battle is the Lord's!"

Goliath laughed to see a boy getting ready to fight him. But David ran quickly towards Goliath. David put a stone into his sling, swung it around, and let it go. The stone hit Goliath in the forehead, and he fell down and died.

David loved God and trusted Him. God helped David win against the enemy.