Journal Page

Draw a picture of or write about what you would do if you were king over a country. How do you feel knowing that Jesus is our King forever? How can you show you trust Him?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why do you think God chose David—a smaller, younger man?
- How did David know he could beat Goliath?

• Can you think of someone else who defeated a giant enemy on behalf of His people?



David Was Anointed and Fought Goliath 1 Samuel 16–17

MAIN POINT: GOD GAVE DAVID POWER TO DEFEAT GOLIATH.

God was going to give Israel a new king. God told Samuel to visit a man in Bethlehem named Jesse. God said one of Jesse's sons would be Israel's next king. Jesse's oldest son was tall and handsome.

"Samuel, he's not the one," God said. "Do not pay attention to what he looks like. You look at what you can see on the outside, but I see the heart."

One by one, Jesse's sons approached Samuel, but God had not chosen them. Jesse said, "My youngest son, David, is in the field taking care of the sheep." Jesse sent for David.

When David arrived, God told Samuel, "He's the one!" Samuel poured oil on David's head to show God had chosen him to be the king.

At this time, the Philistines—enemies of Israel—got ready for war. King Saul got his army ready to fight. The Philistines had a great warrior named Goliath. Goliath shouted at the Israelites, "Send me your best man, and we'll fight one-on-one." But none of the Israelites wanted to fight Goliath.

David saw Goliath and watched the Israelites run away in fear. So David volunteered to fight.

David explained, "God will keep me safe."

David chose five smooth stones from a nearby stream. David was armed with only the stones and a slingshot.

"You come to fight with a spear and sword," David replied, "but I come to fight in the name of God! God always wins His battles!"

David slung a rock and hit Goliath in the forehead. Goliath fell facedown, and David killed him.

Christ Connection: David was not a big or strong warrior, but he trusted God. God gave David power. When God sent His Son to earth, Jesus did not look like a strong warrior either. But by dying on the cross and coming back to life, Jesus showed His power to save sinners.



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