



Unit 11 | Session 2

DAVID FOUGHT GOLIATH

1 Samuel 17

One day, the Israelites' enemies, the Philistines, came into the land to fight. The Philistines had a great warrior named Goliath. He was 9 feet, 9 inches tall! He towered above the other men. None of the Israelites wanted to fight Goliath. They were afraid of him.

One day, Jesse told David to take food to the battlefield. David saw Goliath. "Who is this man who comes against the army of the one true God?" David asked. Then David turned to King Saul and said, "I'll fight him!"

So King Saul let David fight Goliath. David chose five smooth stones from a nearby stream and met Goliath armed only with the stones and a sling.

Goliath made fun of David because he was a young boy, but David said, "You come to fight with a spear and sword, but I come to fight in the name of the Lord! God always wins His battles!"

David ran toward Goliath. He slung a stone, and the stone hit Goliath in the forehead. Goliath fell facedown, and David killed him. The Israelites shouted in victory and chased the Philistines out of the land.

Christ Connection: The Israelites were not strong enough to fight Goliath, the mighty Philistine warrior, on their own. God gave David power to defeat Goliath. David reminds us of Jesus, who came to save us from our greatest enemies: sin and death. Jesus, the ultimate hero, saves us from our sin and gives us eternal life.



THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Number the descriptions in the order they happened.

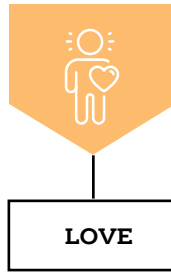
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| ☐ David brought food to the battlefield. | ☐ David chose his weapons: stones and a sling. |
| ☐ David went to Saul and asked to fight Goliath. | ☐ The Israelites chased the Philistines out of the land. |
| ☐ The Israelites and Philistines prepared to fight. | ☐ David killed Goliath. |

» What does this story teach us about God?

» How can you face scary or uncertain circumstances?

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THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

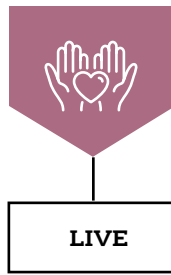
- » Why do you think God chose a young shepherd to fight Goliath instead of an experienced warrior?

- » Our greatest enemies on earth are sin and death. How can you experience victory over these enemies?

- » What can we do when hard times come?

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THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

» Find Ephesians 1:7-8 in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, thanking God that Jesus' blood brings us redemption and forgiveness. Ask God to help you go to Him for all of our needs and to remember that His power is at work in you to overcome temptations.

READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

☐ Psalm 68:35

☐ John 14:6

☐ Philippians 4:19

☐ 1 Corinthians 15:56-57

☐ Romans 8:38-39

☐ 1 John 5:4