

David & Goliath

1 Samuel 17

Story:

★ Introduction & Story:

Last week, we talked about Samuel. Samuel was raised in the temple to serve God. God spoke to Samuel and Samuel helped share what God's plans were (he was a prophet). Samuel helped identify the first kings of Israel - King Saul and then King David.

David was the eighth and youngest son of Jesse. When David was just a boy, God chose him to be the next King of Israel after King Saul. But that wouldn't happen for a long time yet.

The Philistines gathered their armies to fight King Saul and his soldiers. The Philistines had been enemies of Israel for many years. The army of Israel was gathered and encamped in the Valley of Elah. The Philistine army stood on the mountain on one side of the valley and the army of Israel stood on the other side.

Every day, a giant named Goliath (he was almost 10 feet tall!) would come out of the Philistine camp and shout at the army of Israel. He had on a helmet and was covered in armor. He had a spear and a shield. He was very scary to see! He would shout and say, "Choose a man to come down to me. If he is able to fight me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I fight and kill him, you will be our servants."

Saul and the men of his army were very afraid.

Three of David's brothers were in Saul's army. One day, David's father Jesse sent David to see if the brothers were well and also to bring them some food. While David was speaking to his brothers the giant Goliath came forward from the Philistines battleline and shouted his usual challenge.

David asked what would be done for the one who killed this giant. Someone overheard David asking about Goliath and told Saul. Saul asked to have David come and see him.

David said to Saul, "Don't let anyone be discouraged by him; your servant (meaning himself) will go and fight this Philistine."

Saul replied, "You can't go fight this Philistine. You are just a youth and he's been a warrior since he was young."

David explained to Saul that he had been tending his father's flock of sheep for many years and had often had to fight off lions and bears that tried to take one of the sheep. To David, Goliath was like one of those lions or bears. He knew someone needed to

fight Goliath because he was speaking against the armies of the living God. He also knew that God had saved him from the lions and the bears and that God would be with him now.

Saul agreed to let David fight Goliath. He even gave David his own armor to wear to protect him. They put a bronze helmet on his head and Saul's armor on his body. Then David strapped the sword over the military clothes, but he couldn't walk in them because it was all too heavy for him. He took off all the armor. He chose 5 smooth stones and put them in his shepherd's pouch. Then with his sling in his hand, he approached the giant.

Goliath made fun of David because he was so small. He did not think that David could hurt him.

David said to him, "You have come against me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord."

David ran towards the giant, put one stone in his sling and hurled it at Goliath. The stone hit Goliath on the forehead, and he fell face down to the ground. David had defeated the giant!

- ★ **Connection to God's Overall Story/Plan:** God asks people to be obedient. Sometimes it is in small ways - like Ruth and Hannah. Sometimes it is in big ways - like Abraham, Moses, and now David. David was obedient and trusted in the Lord. He knew that the Lord would be with him. He did something big - he killed Goliath! Even though everyone was too scared, God was with David and helped him be successful. Then God continued to use David in big ways by making him the King of Israel and related to Jesus!

Follow Up:

- ★ **Retell:** Have kids share what they recall from the story. Fill in any major holes they missed.
- ★ **Examine:**
- Comprehension Questions:
 - Do you think Goliath would have been a scary person to see? Have you ever seen anyone that tall?
 - Why do you think Goliath was so bold? Why do you think David was so brave?
 - Do you think David had been practicing with his sling when he was in the field with the sheep? (He may have thought tending the sheep was boring and practicing with his sling was a great way to pass the time. But God may have used that to prepare him for fighting a giant he did

not even know about at the time. Sometimes God is preparing us for something and we don't even know it.)

- Ask, "What do we learn about God from this story? What does He do?"
 - God is with us. He can help us do things that seem impossible. He may ask us to do hard things, but He is with us.
- Ask, "What do we learn about humans from this story? What are humans doing?"
 - David is obedient. He trusts God.

★ **Application:** Ask, "What is Jesus asking us to do through this story? Why did God include this in the Bible?"

- Jesus is asking us to trust Him.

★ **Prayer**

Memory Verse Practice:

★ **Verse:** Ephesians 6:11 - Put on the whole armor of God so that you can stand against the schemes of the devil.

Sticky Activities:

★ Using popsicle sticks, yarn, and Pom poms, make a sling shot. Glue on paper. Glue 5 Pom poms on paper for the rocks.

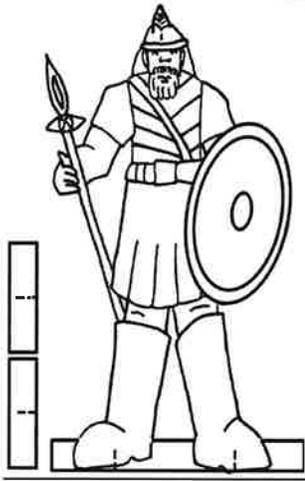


★ Defeat Goliath game!! Use a plastic spoon and 5 Pom Poms. Each child gets a turn! Pull back the spoon, and release the Pom Pom and try to attack Goliath (a teacher)!!!

★ Coloring page



- ★ David's pouch and stones activity
- ★ Goliath - cut out, stand up Goliath, and knock him over with ping pong balls



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-Ephesians 6:11**

Book Chapter:Verses

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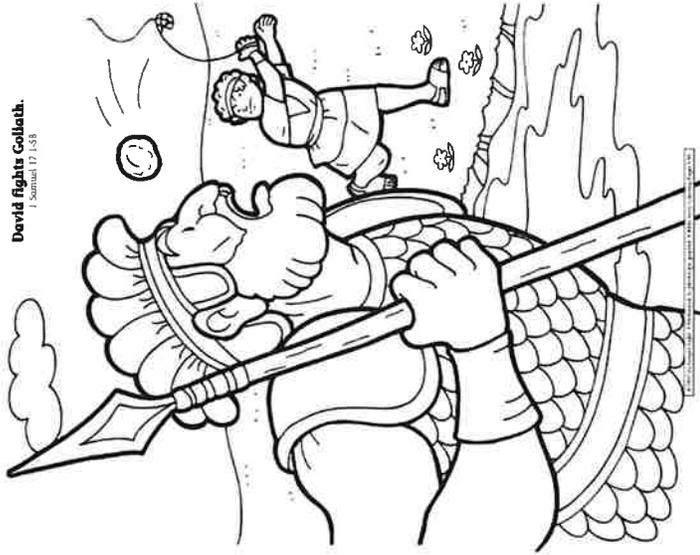
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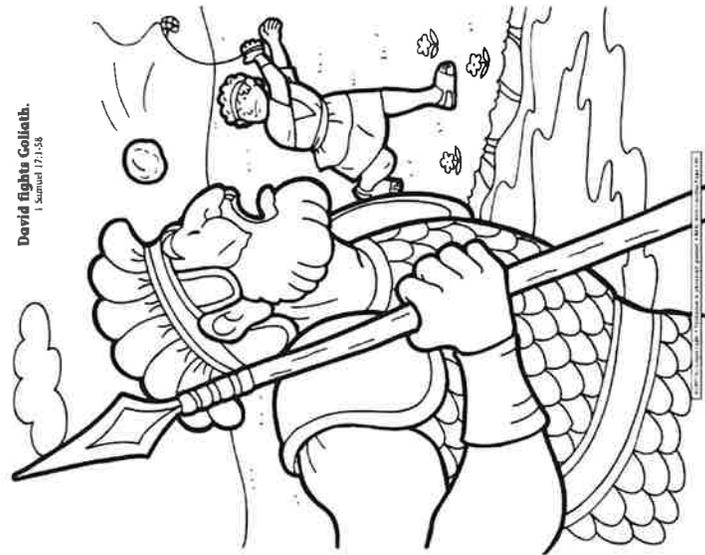


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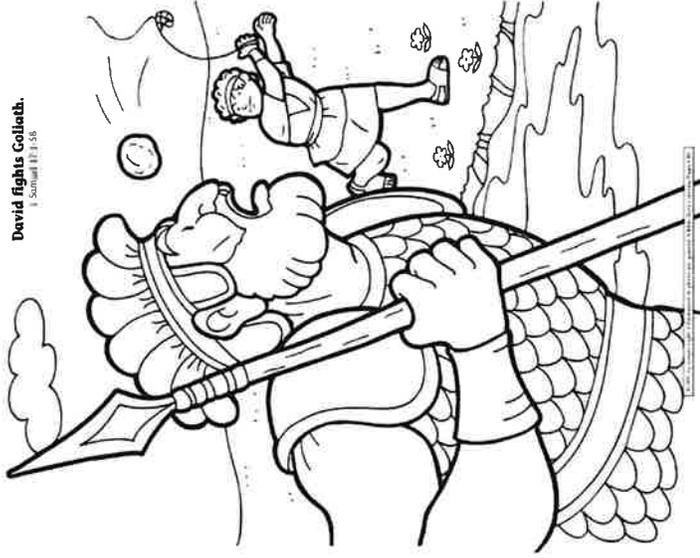
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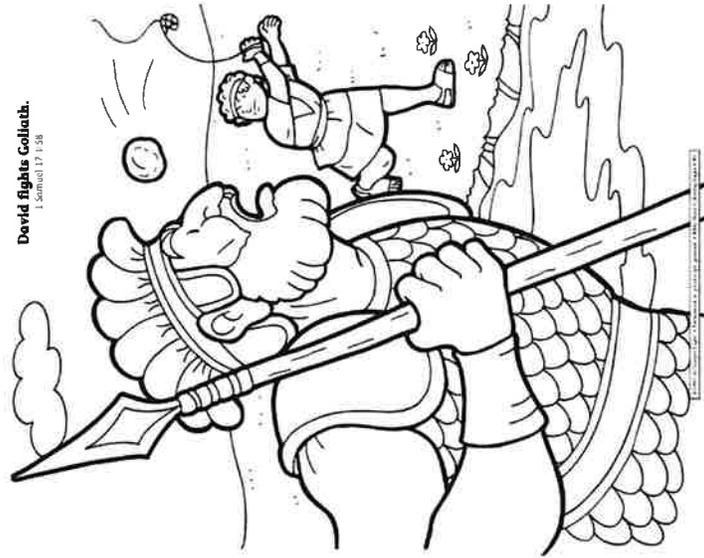


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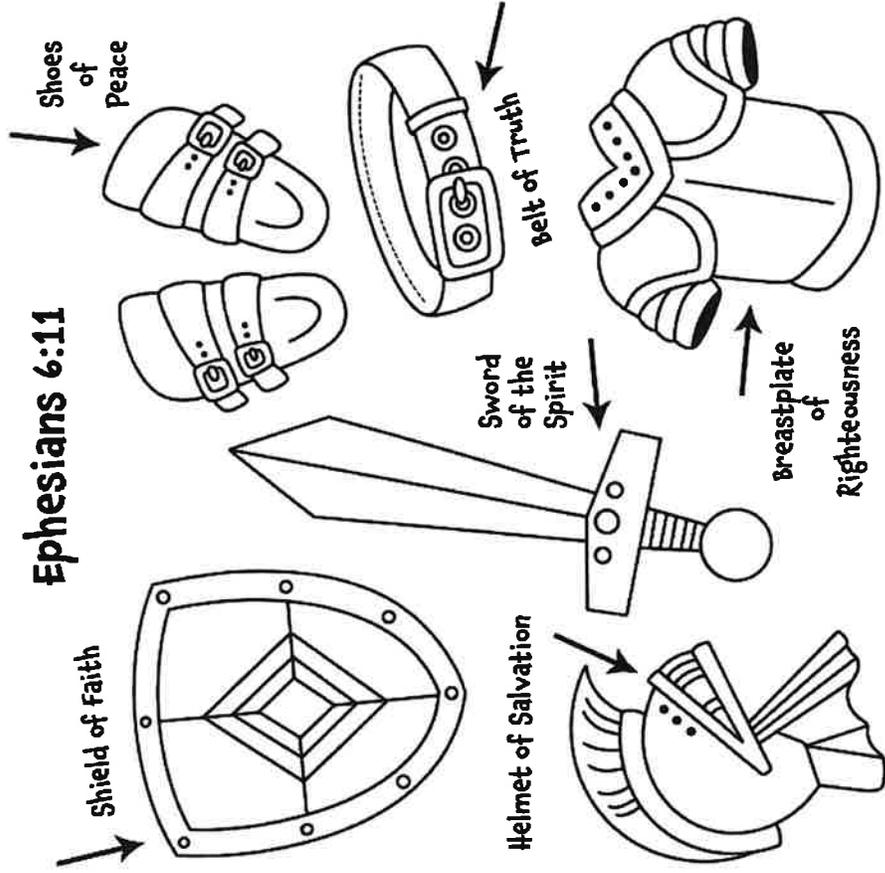
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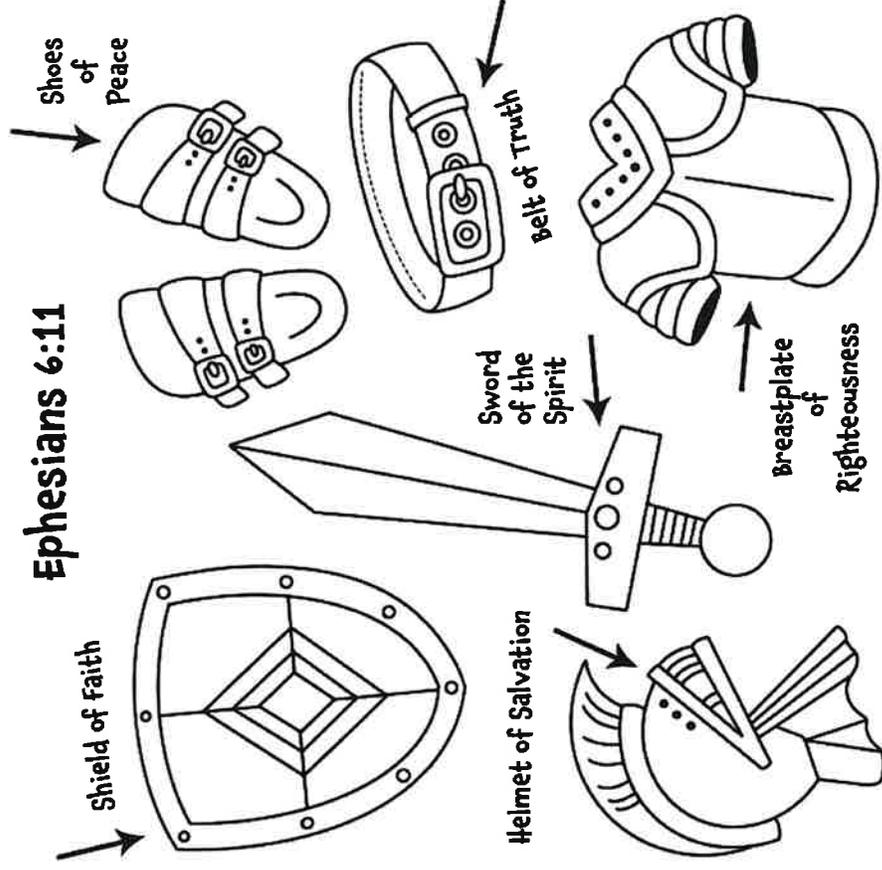
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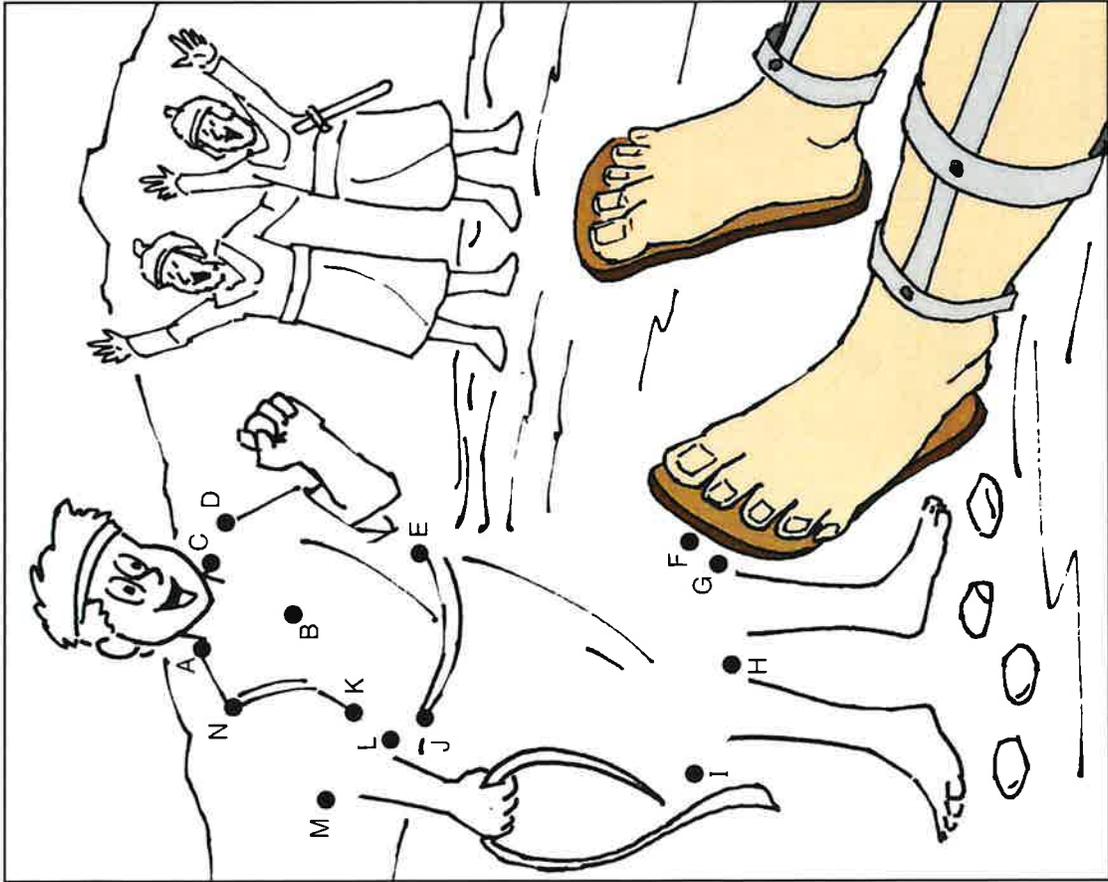
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David Fights Goliath

David slung a stone. It struck Goliath.
Goliath fell down on the ground.

Connect the dots.

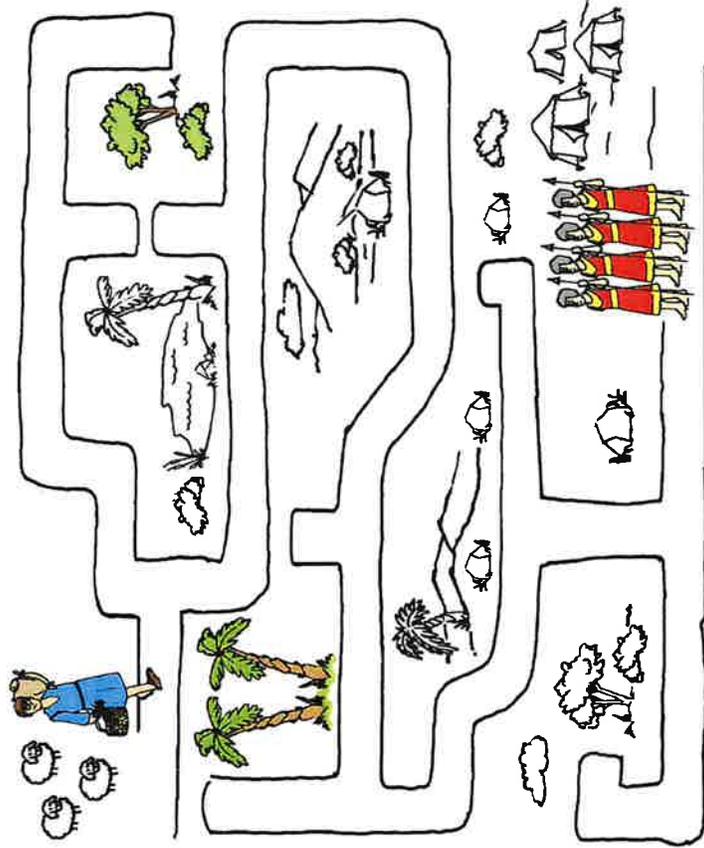
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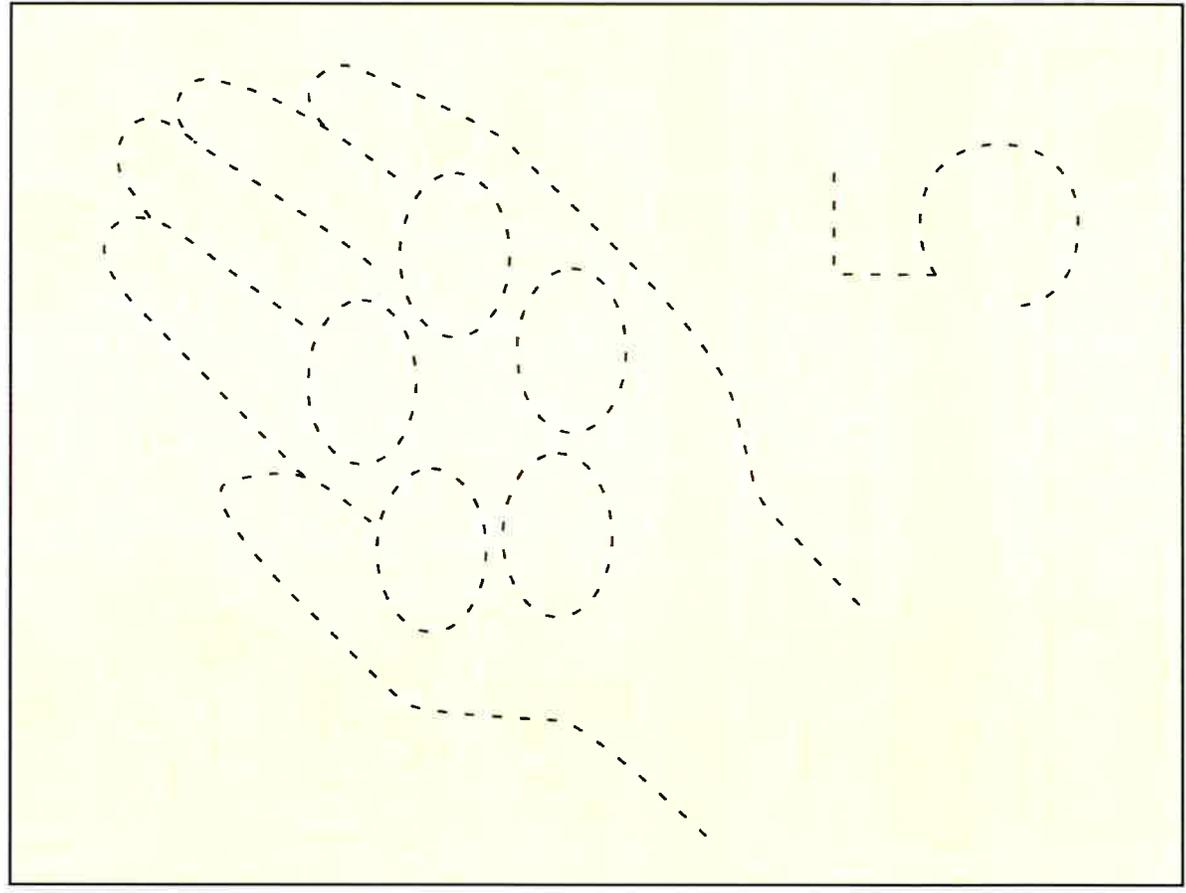
David was a shepherd.
He took food to his older brothers,
who were in King Saul's army.

Follow the maze.



David took his sling and some small stones. David ran toward the battle line.

Count David's stones. How many?
Trace the hand, stones and number.



Goliath was a giant Philistine.
Saul and his soldiers were afraid of Goliath.
But David was not afraid.

What did David tell Saul?
Use the code to fill in the missing letters.

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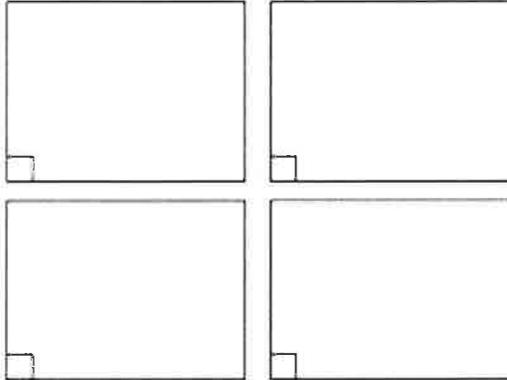
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David said to Goliath, "This day the Lord will hand you over to me, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel." What happened next?

Draw your own pictures in each box to show what happened

- 1 As Goliath moved closer to attack, David ran quickly toward the battle line
- 2 David reached into his bag and took out one stone
- 3 David slung the stone, and hit Goliath on the forehead
- 4 Goliath fell face down on the ground
- 5 When the Philistines saw that their hero was dead, they turned and ran

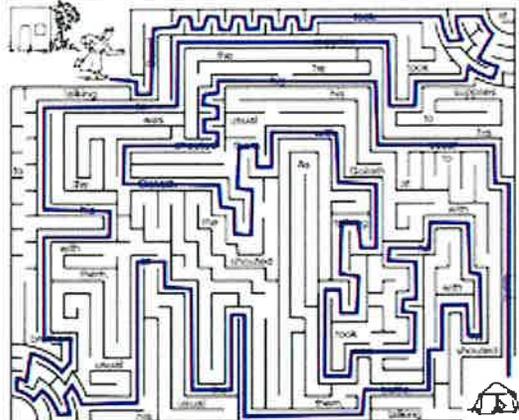


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David Confronts Goliath

The Israelites and Philistines were at war. The Philistine champion, Goliath, was over 9 feet tall. He taunted the Israelites to send their best warrior to fight him. King Saul and all the Israelites were terrified. What happened next?

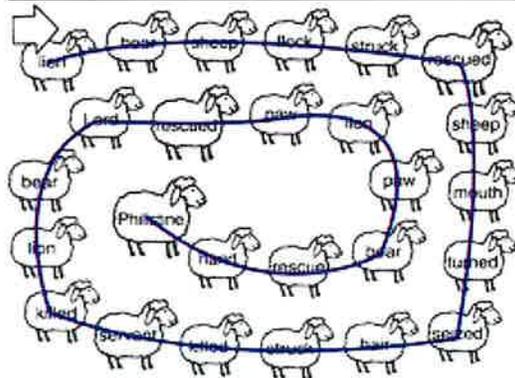
Find your way through the maze, reading the words along the way.



David took supplies to his brothers at the battle. As he was talking with them, Goliath shouted his usual taunt.

"I will go out and fight Goliath," said David. Saul answered, "You are not able to fight him; you are only a young man." David said he was a shepherd. Why would he win?

Start at the arrow and move clockwise to match the words with the corresponding blank spaces below.



When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth.
 When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear.
 The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.

Saul offered David Saul's own armor, helmet and sword. "I cannot go in these," David said, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. What happened next?

Use the code to find out what David did.



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Panel 4

DAVID TOOK HIS
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 FROM THE STREAM.
 PUT THEM IN THE
 POUCH OF HIS
 SHEPHERD'S BAG
 AND WITH HIS
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Shepherd's Pouch for David and Goliath

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Shepherd's Pouch David and Goliath

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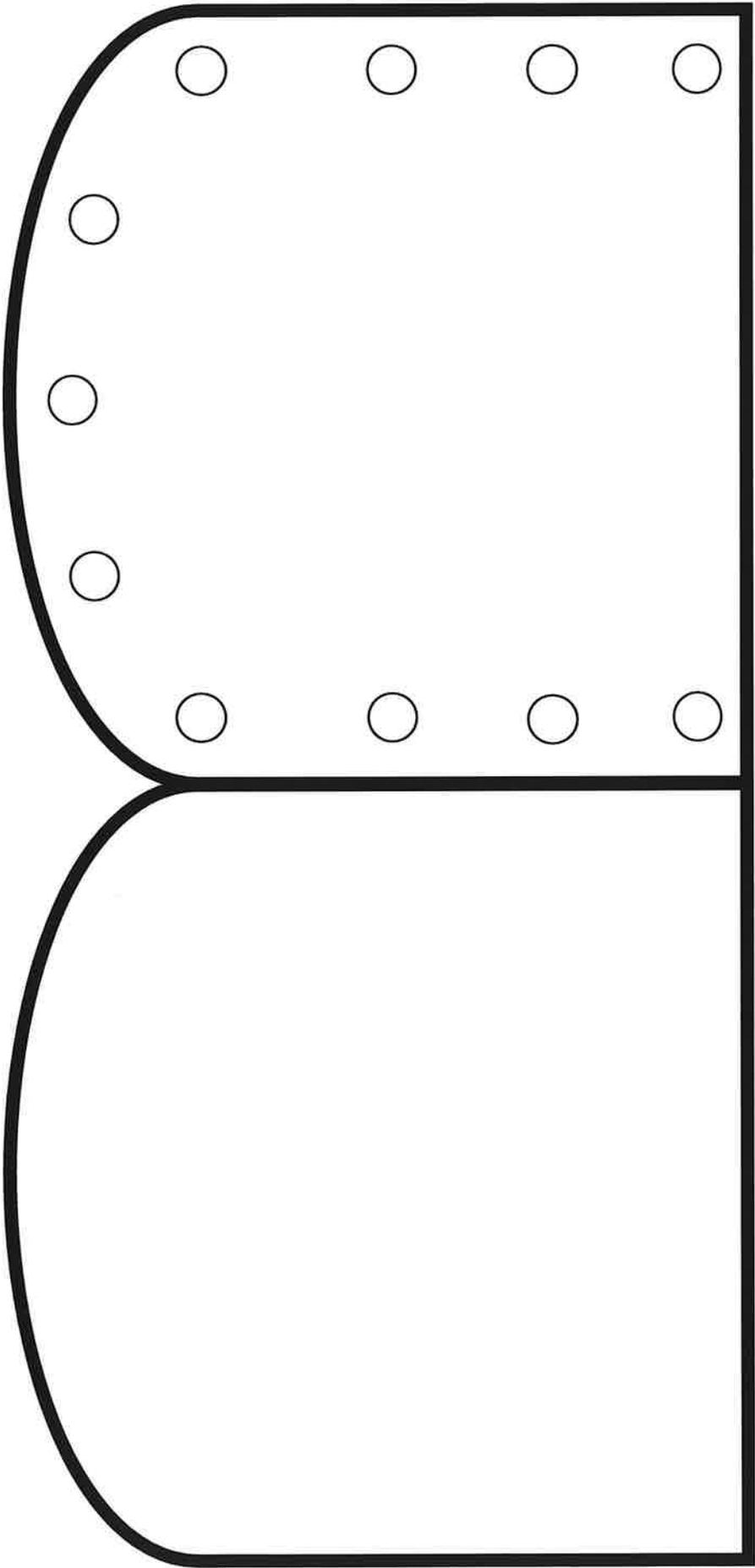
crayons or markers

yarn or twine

hole puncher

tape

1. Print the pouch and stones templates onto white or colored card stock for each student and cut out. Each student will need one page of pouch template and a page of stone templates.
2. Cut out the templates.
3. Fold the Pouch in half.
4. Punch holes through the pouch pieces on the circles along the edges (works best if done with both pieces together so the holes will be exactly aligned).
5. Give each student a piece of yarn or twine approximately 50 inches long. Put a small piece of tape around one end so it will be easier to thread through the holes of the pouch.
6. Have students thread the yarn through the holes along the sides of the pouch, tying off to leave a long strap so that the pouch can be worn as a "cross body" bag.
7. Students can practice putting their stones in order to review the Scripture from 1 Samuel 17:47 before storing them in their pouch. They can use crayons or markers to color the pouch and stones if desired.



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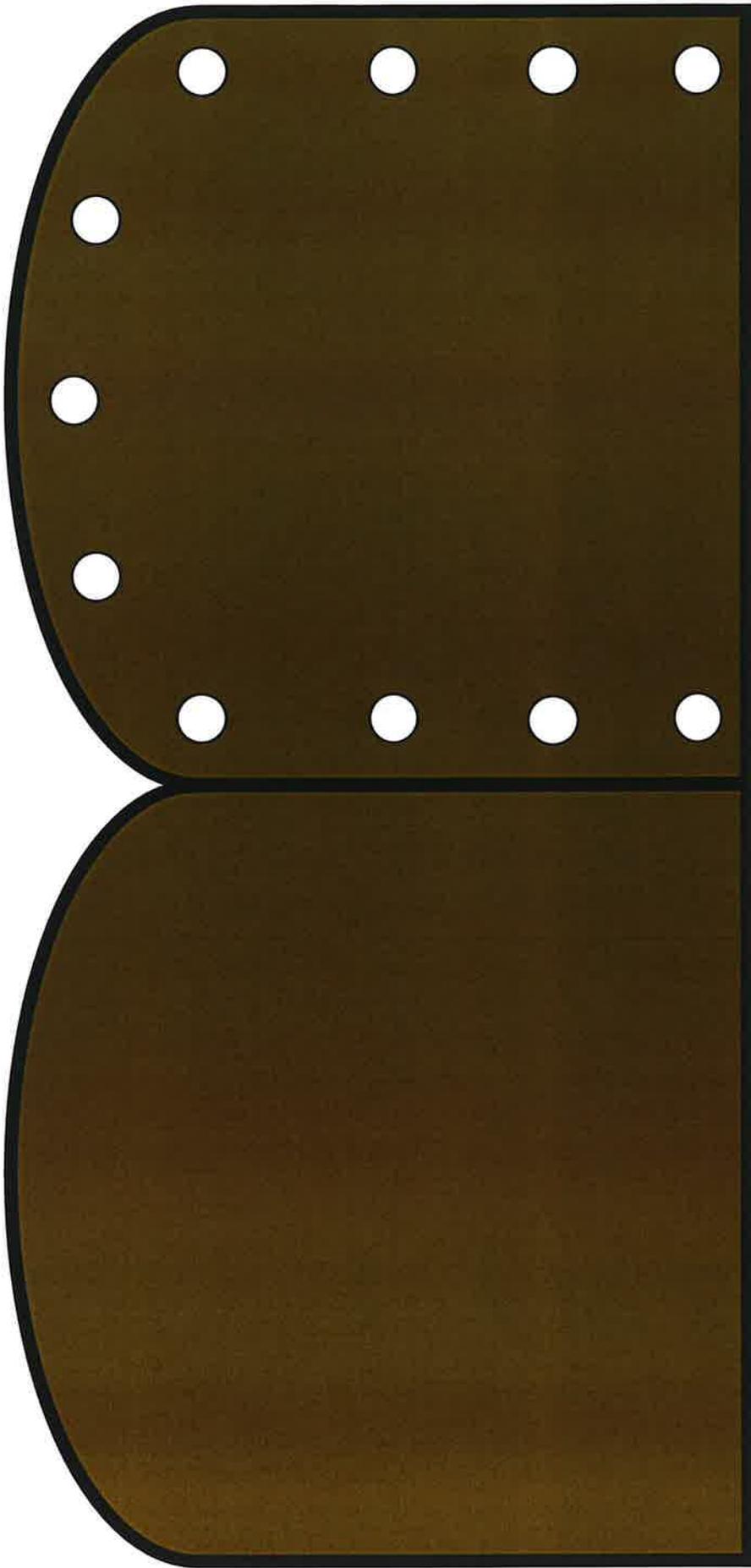
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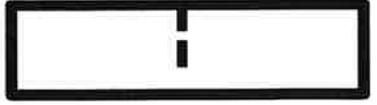
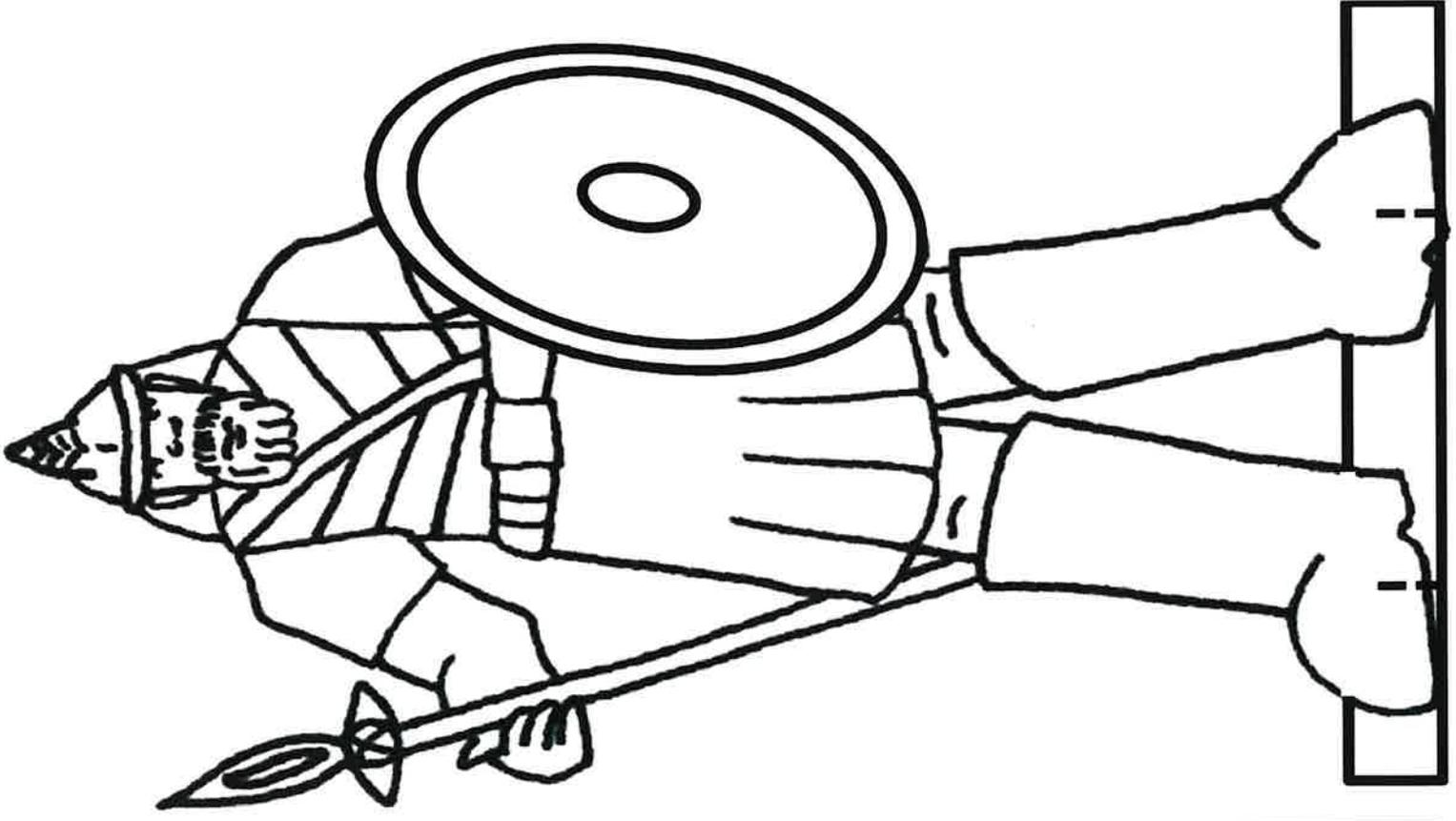
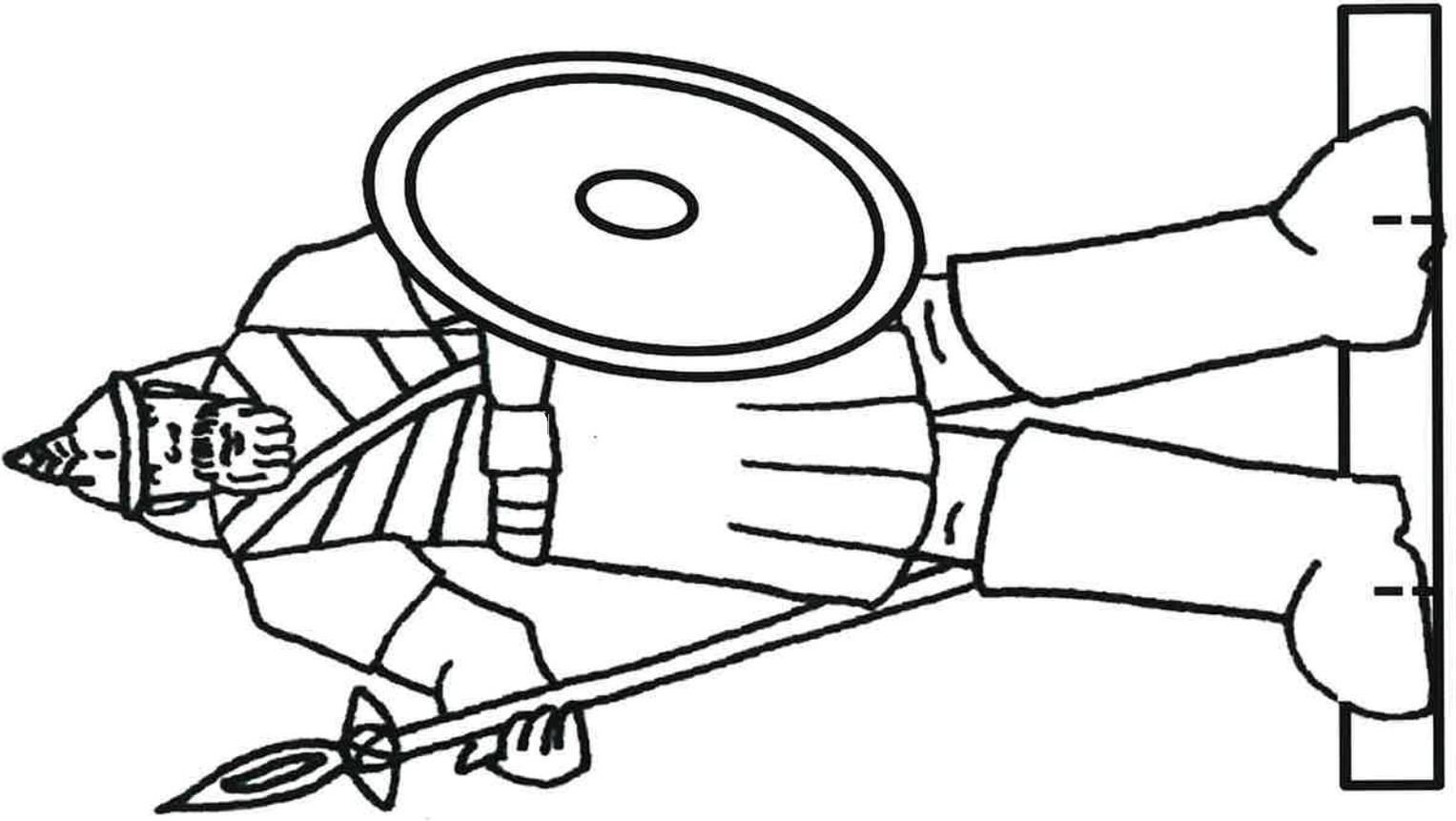
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The battle belongs to the Lord.

1 Samuel 17:47

