## **David and Goliath**

There was once a man called Jesse who had eight sons and they were Israelites. Now David who was the youngest took care of his father's sheep in the fields. Well there wasn't much to do so he spent his time writing songs and poems.

During this time the Israelites who were ruled by a king called Saul were having disagreements with a group of people called the Philistines. Now the Philistines were really strong, mean and very big One of the strongest, meanest and biggest was a guy called Goliath. He had armour to protect him and a huge spear so no-one could get near him. He spent all day challenging the Israelites to fight him telling them that if they lost they would become his servants This frightened the Israelites very much. Three of David's brothers were part of the Israelite army and Jesse was very worried about them so asked David to take food to them and then to tell him how they were doing.

Well when David got close, he heard Goliath shouting like he did every morning and he asked why no-one was fighting him. David told the soldiers that he would fight Goliath and when Saul heard he went to meet David but only to tell him he was too young to fight and to go home But David said he had to fight wolves and other wild animals when he kept his father's sheep safe and that he God on his side. Now Saul didn't believe In God or that God would protect David but he put armour on him and gave him a sword and let him go and face Goliath.

David could hardly walk in the armour because it was so heavy so he took it off knowing that God would protect him he left the sword and went to a stream nearby and collected five smooth stone's and put them with his sling and then went out to face Goliath

Well when Goliath saw David, he thought it was a joke and started laughing. How could Saul think this small little boy could beat him. But David said "You fight with a sword but I fight with God on my side"

Goliath just laughed and moved in to attack David who stood still and prayed to God. As Goliath came closer David placed one of the flat stones into the sling and swung it round his head. The stone shot out of the sling and hit Goliath right between the eyes and he started to topple over. He hit the floor face down and didn't get up. David had won and when the Philistines saw that Goliath had been beaten the turned and ran away

David was a hero.

Sometimes things seem Impossible, but God wants us to try and not give up and to always remember how much he loves you

Prayer

Dear God. Help us to be brave when things are hard. Thank you for always being with us Amen

## **DAVID**



YOU WILL NEED
PAPER
LOLLY STICKS
PENS
GLUE
PIPECLEANER OR STRING



GLUE THE STICKS TO THE PAPER IN THE SHAPE
OF A Y AND ATTACH THE STRING OR PIPECLEANER
ACROSS THE TOP



CUT OUT 5 STONE SHAPES AND STICK
TO THE PAPER
THEN WRITE AT THE TOP
DAVID KNEW GOD
WAS WITH HIM



THIS WILL REMIND YOU THAT GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US

