

# David, Shepherd

## Trigger

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### Pick Up The Stones

#### Material

- Blue Jelly (Jello)
- 5 smooth stones
- Low and deep, transparent container



#### Steps

1. Before class, cook the blue jelly according to the recipe on the package. When the jelly is poured into the container, place the stones inside and let it set in the refrigerator.
2. When class begins, place the container on the table and show the stones inside the jelly.
3. You can ask the children to pick up the stones in the jelly.
4. Make the connection with the story you'll be telling. In the Bible, David chose 5 smooth stones in the river to fight Goliath.

## Key Verse

### 1 Samuel 16:7

## Multimedia & Clips

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### Images

[freebibleimages.org](http://freebibleimages.org)

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### Clip-YouTube

1. King David: Shepherd - Part 1 of the Animated Bible Series
2. David - Little Bible Heroes animated children's stories
3. God's People: David

## Object Lesson

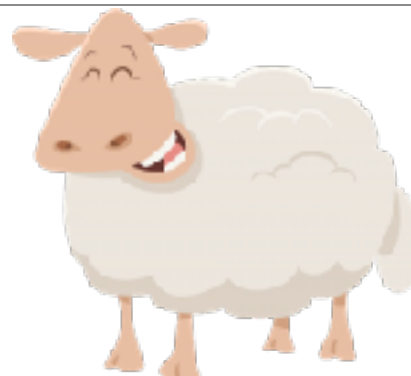
### David Loved God

#### Material

- Stuffed sheep

#### Steps

1. Place the sheep among the children.
2. Recite the nursery rhyme below with gestures.
3. Ask the children to do the gestures with you.



#### Nursery Rhyme

- David loved God at all times of the day  
(Squeeze yourself)
- When he played and sang his hymns  
(Scratch an imaginary instrument)
- When he kept his little sheep  
(Put your hands as if you were holding a sheep)
- When he was awake, when he was asleep  
(Open your eyes wide, then close your eyes)

## Songs

[www.youtube.com/PhilippeChasse](http://www.youtube.com/PhilippeChasse)

- Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
- The B.I.B.L.E.

## The Heart Of The Father

### & Prayer

David enjoyed to take time with God, he liked to talk with him. How about you? David knew God was his daddy. He was not afraid of anything, not afraid of lions, bears and not even afraid of the giant Goliath. Do you know who you are? Do you know that you are a son or daughter of this wonderful God who is so good and full of love? David loved his Father, his God, so much that in front of Goliath he wanted to defend the one he loved. He had a pure heart and a good heart just like his heavenly Father. What's your heart like this morning? Is your heart filled with bad things, lack of forgiveness, sadness, anger? If that's the case, it's simple, we'll pray together.



## Prayer

“Father this is my heart and what is inside it. I know that my heart is not always pure, but I know that you are the one who purifies our hearts. Wash my heart, Father, of all bad things that are there, and help me to have a heart like yours. Amen.”

## Little Tips To Help You.

When you face a difficult situation, ask yourself how God the Father would work in this situation. Ex.: In a situation where a friend hurts you, how do you behave? Do you hurt him too? Or do you choose to behave like the Father?

## Craft

### Sheep

#### Material

- Paper plates (1 per child)
- Cotton balls (cotton)
- Black craft paper
- Googly eyes
- Glue



#### Steps

1. Before class, prepare for each child a pre-cut set of legs and sheep's ears and head (see image).
2. Give 1 plate to each child and tell them to cover it with glue.
3. Tell them to put cotton balls on the glue.
4. Then encourage the children to assemble the sheep's head (see image).
5. Finally, ask the children to glue the sheep's head on the body and add the legs (see image).
6. Making a sheep will remind the children of David's first "trade" and encourage them to be servants, as David did in the fields when he was a young shepherd. It was also in the fields, by caring for the sheep, that David learned to trust God and his power to overcome the challenges of life. Therefore, later, David had the ability to confront and defeat Goliath and the enemies of God.

## Activity

### Defeat Goliath

#### Material

- 1 image of Goliath (attached)
- 1 ping-pong or tennis ball



#### Steps

1. Place the image of Goliath standing on a table.
2. Put the kids in line.
3. Tell them to throw the ping-pong ball (or tennis ball) at least twice in an attempt to knock down Goliath.

## Physical Activity

### I Walk Like Goliath

#### Material

- Card
- Wool or ribbon
- Marker
- Paint or/and coloured pencils
- Hole punch
- Scissors



#### Steps

1. Before class, cut out large cardboard rectangles and draw feet. Make sure you make enough rectangles for all children to have two.
2. Cut lengths of wool or ribbon to tie children's feet to the cardboard.
3. Distribute 2 cardboard rectangles to all children.
4. Tell them to decorate them with paint or coloured pencils.
5. Tell them to cut out the foot shapes.
6. Help children put holes in the cardboard feet and tie the wool or ribbon to the feet so they can attach them to their own feet.
7. Watch them move forward and be Goliath.

## Snack

### David And Goliath

#### Material

- Celery (2 per child)
- Ham (1 slice per child)
- Grape (1 per child)
- Ritz Cookies (2 per child)
- Grape (4 per child)
- Carrots (1 small per child)
- Banana (1 slice per child)
- Small plates



#### Steps

1. Before class, prepare all the ingredients.
2. Place all the ingredients on the table and give each child a small plate.
3. Show children an image of the snack so they understand the steps to follow.
4. Tell the children to create David and Goliath by making their bodies with celery.
5. Ask them to prepare David's slingshot with ham and half grapes as a stone and Goliath's sword with a carrot.
6. Tell them that Goliath's and David's head are made of Ritz cookies, grapes and carrots for the mouth.
7. Finally, ask the children to use a slice of banana to make the sun.