

Lesson No. (24)

David and Goliath

References

1 Samuel 17.

Notes for Servants

- ★ We should learn from David, he could not save his people by weapons, swords or slings, but only by depending completely on God.
- ★ David could conquer Goliath with a small slingshot only with God's power and care. Thus you can defeat and conquer all your enemies using very simple things.

Objectives

General: To recognize the potentialities of the great power of God in our life.

Specific:

The children will be able to

- A. know the meaning of Nazarite to God.
- B. understand that humility and simplicity is the way to God.
- C. learn about some of God's gifts to us.

Bible Verse

**"Thou comest to me with a sword and a spear and with a shield,
but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts."**

1 Samuel 17:45

Teaching Aids

1. Felt figure and flannel board.
 2. Video.
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Instruction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Who remembers the verse?
- (3) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.

Story Time

Saul got ready and gathered his men for war against the Philistine. Days passed and no one from either side dare to invade the other. Until one day, a champion went out of the camp of the Philistine, named Goliath. He had a helmet of brass, and was wearing a shield, and he had greaves of brass upon his legs and a target of brass between his shoulders. He was carrying a great spear and one man bearing a shield went before him. He stood and cried to the army of Saul's, "who dares to fight and kill me? Choose your man and let him come down to me, if he is able to kill me, than we'll be your servants, but if I kill him you all will be our servants. This was for about 40 days, and no one from Saul's men dared to challenge with this champion. What then?

One day David went out from the field to see his brothers, he left the sheep with a keeper. He took some food with him. He was eager to hear any good and comforting news about the army because he loved his country very much. He saw and heard how bad this philistine champion talked to Saul's army and also he started to laugh at them and also at God, but David was not afraid like the others. Although the king promised his people that whoever would kill this champion he will let him marry his daughter and he will also relieve him of any taxes. Also he will give him a lot of money. David asked, "who is that agnostic Philistine who dares to make a joke of God." All the soldiers gathered around David, the very brave boy. His brothers heard him and asked him, "why did you come? and how come you left the sheep alone in the field?", in a very polite way, David answered his brothers. "Father was worried about you and he sent me to bring food.."

One soldier ran to Saul and told him there is a youth in the camp who is not afraid at all from this champion. Saul ordered them to bring him. David came and stood before the king, he said to him, "let no man's heart fail because of this Philistine champion." King Saul asked, "What are you?", and David answered, "I am a shepherd." The King said, "you'll not be able to fight this champion because you're just a young youth and he was trained to be a fighter. David answered the king, "I'm sure of God's power. God is stronger than any champion. King Saul said, "go and the Lord be with you," and he asked him to wear the war uniform, but when he put it on he couldn't move so he had to take it off. David walked in the valley and picked some stones and put them in a shepherd's bag and his sling was in his hand and he drew near to the Philistine. When Goliath looked about and saw David he said, "I'll give your flesh to the fowls of the air and the beasts of the field." David said, "you come to me with a sword, with a shield, and with a spear but I come to you in the name of the Lord. This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands and I'll smite you and take your head from you to let all the people know that there is only one God in Israel.

David put his hand in his bag and took a smooth stone and slung it and smote the Philistine but there was no sword in his hand. He ran and stood upon the Philistine and took his sword and cut off his head. When the Philistine people saw their champion was dead, they fled. God's people followed them to the valley, killed and took everything that belonged to them , and they saw how God saved his people by David's arm. David took Goliath's head and weapons to Jerusalem.

Discussion

- 1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.
- 2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.