

Story 69-71: David Shows His Faith in God

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Read this story in the Bible in I Samuel 17:1-54

Words to Know

faith – trust and confidence in God

giant – an extremely large person or animal

curse – to say mean, hateful things about someone or something

armor – special coverings worn to protect a fighter

sling – a short strap with strings attached for throwing stones

skull – the bone in the head that protects the brain

Questions

1. Who did God choose to be the second King of Israel?
2. How did David feel about God?
3. Who was Goliath? What was he doing when David saw him?
4. Why didn't the Israelite soldiers fight Goliath?
5. How did David feel when he heard Goliath laughing at God?
6. What did David tell King Saul that showed he was very brave?
7. Why didn't David want to wear King Saul's armor?
8. Why was David so sure that he could defeat Goliath?
9. How did David kill Goliath? Why was this proof of his great faith in God?

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