

## Q7 – GOD IS GOOD AT VICTORY!

## PARENT TEACHING GUIDE

God wins the victory! We are studying Old Testament battle stories. These stories show us over and over again that God has the power and God wins the victory for His people when they follow His commandments (have faith in Him). We will study Jesus' triumph over death, which brings us the victory of salvation. We can be victorious if we remain faithful to God and to the sacrifice of His son. God never promises that our lives will be easy. He does promise us victory through Christ if we trust Him.

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# LESSON 9 DAVID BEATS GOLIATH!

**Memory Verse: Psalm 56:3-4** When I am afraid, I will trust you. I praise God for his word. I trust God. So I am not afraid. What can human beings do to me?

**Text: 1 Samuel 17**



The Philistines had a giant champion. Goliath was so big and the Israelites so small, he thought he could not be defeated. When no other Israelite would fight Goliath, David volunteered. David was a young lad. Even King Saul was afraid David would be killed. David beat Goliath with only a small stone and a slingshot. David knew that God would be with him. Isn't God powerful? A Champion of His people is our God!

**PRAISE & PRAYER** Show pictures of people accomplishing goals (winning battles). God's creation plan, kindness, and care make success possible. Only through Him do we live, move, or succeed spiritually.

### FACTS TO KNOW

**WHERE:** I SAMUEL; Bethlehem, Valley of Elah

**WHO:** GOD, David and Goliath

**WHEN** (Purple Card): Kings

Praise Passage: **Psalm 144:1-2** Have your child write the verse down into a small notebook of their own ("Praise Journal"). Praise God & discuss the meaning as they write it down. The point of the praise passage is for your child to learn how to praise God – learn how to say nice things about God and to God in prayer.

**Victory Psalm:** [Psalm 136\\*](#)

**Victory Songs:** [The Battle Belongs to the Lord\\*](#) & [Faith is the Victory\\*](#)

**WHEN WALL/ TIMELINE** Use the "[When Wall – Purple Cards Key](#)"\* to do the When Wall cards at home. Review the Historical Heading cards ("purple cards") that tell the story of the Bible. For Kindergarten and up add in the Famous People cards (white cards) and for 2nd grade and up add in the Books of the Bible cards (yellow cards).

**LESSON** As you introduce the lesson, talk about where in the Bible timeline this lesson occurs (which purple card this lesson falls under). See the [Victory-When Wall\\*](#) answer key for guidance (a copy is also provided in the student folder). "David beats Goliath" goes under the "Kings" purple card. Tell carefully or read dramatically today's lesson using the Bible, your child's lesson folder, or the preschool family story within this guide. Here are the [lesson 9 visuals\\*](#) created by Renee to help you teach this lesson. *Remember to emphasize how God is the hero of the story!*

**ACTIVITIES** Use the activity packet for lesson 9 provided in your child's student folder. Students in the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grades have a cover page for the packet where they can begin learning their memory verse by writing it down and writing what they are thankful for and what they will pray for this week.

***Open my eyes that I may see....God, my God, fighting for me.***

Additional Activities:

- Bible Fun for Kids: [David Flap Book](#)
- Make a [Paper Slingshot](#) that really shoots

**SING** *Only a Little Boy David; [David Song](#); Books of the Old Testament; My God is so Big; [The Lord's Army](#), You are my Strength; I Will Call Upon the Lord*

*\*All underlined items are links to teaching resources*

## FAMILY/PRE-K STORY:

### David and Goliath 1 Samuel 17

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*This is the Bible, God's written word. It tells how God made us and it tells how God loves us. Listen carefully and keep God's words in your heart so that you will never forget how good and wonderful our God is. God loves us and takes care of us....*

*"Oh give thanks unto Jehovah for He is good; for His loving kindness endures forever. Oh give thanks unto the Lord of lords; For His loving kindness endures forever: To Him who alone does great wonders; for His loving kindness endures forever." Psalm 136:1-4*

Even though God was not pleased with Saul's disobedient heart, he allowed him to reign over the people until the time was right for a new king. God had a plan. God told Samuel to go to Bethlehem and anoint David as the next king. Saul did not know this. David was young and he did not become king for a long time. God used David as in the service of Saul. He played the harp and sang to him to soothe his troubled spirit. The spirit of the Lord was with David after he was anointed.

The Philistines were once again troubling the people of Israel. David still spent time working in the fields with his father's sheep. One day Jesse sent David to take food to the army that was fighting the Philistines and to check on his brothers. When David arrived at the army's camp he heard the giant Goliath daring anyone to fight him. Everyone was afraid of him, even King Saul. David told Saul that he would fight Goliath. Saul argued against him going because he was still a youth. He wasn't even big enough to wear the king's armor. But David told Saul that God had delivered him from a lion and bear and he would deliver him from this Philistine that has defied the army of the living God.

David trusted in God's strength and might. He took his sling that he used in the fields to protect the sheep. When Goliath saw him, he laughed at David and cursed him by his gods. David was not afraid. He said, "I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, who you have defied. This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand. Then all this assembly shall know that the Lord does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hands." He picked up some smooth stones from the stream. He hurled a stone at the giant and it hit him in the forehead and he fell down dead. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they ran away.

God gave David victory because David trusted Him. God was on David's side. If God is on your side, you cannot lose. If you trust God, He will fight for you. He will give you victory. GOD IS GOOD AT VICTORY.

### Family - Teen & Adult Questions: Read 1 Samuel 17

1. David is thought to have written Psalm 144. What do you think David was thinking about when he wrote the first two verses of this Psalm?
2. Had David already been anointed King of Israel at this time?
3. Why was David at the battlefield?
4. How big was Goliath? Use the following conversions and fill in the chart below from 1 Samuel 17:4-7.

1 cubit = 18 inches    1 span = 9 inches

1 shekel = 0.025 pounds

Height		
Weight of armor		
Weight of head of spear		

5. David was indignant that the brave Israelite army was terrified of the Philistine giant. What does indignant mean?

Who did he believe the army belonged to?  
How did he describe the mighty Goliath? (1 Samuel 17).

6. In 1 Samuel 17:32, David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." David was confident and brave about fighting Goliath. He encouraged others with his words. What facts did he recall in the next few verses to support his confidence?

7. Saul was convinced. Who did Saul wish to be with David in this battle?

Had Saul sought God to be with him in the previous days?  
Do you think Saul learned something from this brave young man with great faith in God? (1 Samuel 17:37)

8. David was not your typical soldier. He had some unconventional weapons. What were they?

9. David had proclaimed the power of God to the Israelite army and King Saul. Next he would witness to the Philistines. How many times did he mention or describe God in 1 Samuel 17:45-47.

10. Write below why David said he would feed the carcasses of the Philistines to the birds. (1 Samuel 17:46-47)

11. What did David use to finish off Goliath and whom did it belong to?

12. We've learned from these first few lessons that God does not need great armies to win great victories. Complete the chart below with the size/type warriors God used/uses in His battles.

How many men fought against the Egyptian army the day it was destroyed?	
How many men fought with Gideon to destroy the Midianite army?	
How many men did it take to kill 20 Philistines and start Israel's enemies running?	
How many did it take to stop the giant Goliath?	
How many do you need on your side to win your battle against Satan and go to heaven?	
How many did it take to beat Satan and save sinners from death?	

13. Read Romans 8:31-39. Who do we need on our side?  
If He is with us, does it matter who our enemy is?  
Does it matter how big the problem is?

14. Through Whom are we made conquerors according to the passage in Romans 8?