

OCTOBER 27 LESSON

Children's Church Lesson: David and Goliath

Bible Story: 1 Samuel 17:1-50

Key Verse: "The battle is the Lord's." (1 Samuel 17:47)

Lesson Focus: God helped David defeat the giant.

Lesson Plan

1. **Welcome and Opening Prayer:**
 - Start with a simple prayer, asking God to teach the children how He can help them face big challenges, just like He helped David.
 2. **Bible Story** (1 Samuel 17:1-50):
 - **Tell the story** of David and Goliath in a way children can easily understand.
 - Emphasize key parts:
 - Goliath was a giant and a mighty warrior.
 - David was young, but he trusted in God.
 - David used a slingshot and a stone to defeat Goliath, showing that it wasn't his strength, but God's power that won the battle.
 - Use visual aids, like a picture of David and Goliath or props (a stone and sling), to bring the story to life.
 3. **Key Verse:**
 - Practice saying the key verse together: "The battle is the Lord's." (1 Samuel 17:47).
 - Explain that sometimes we face "giants" (problems or challenges), but God is always with us to help us overcome them.
 4. **Discussion:**
 - Ask the children:
 - Who was the giant that David fought?
 - How did David defeat Goliath?
 - Why didn't David need to be afraid?
 - What can we learn from David's story?
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Activities:

1. **Goliath Target Practice:**
 - **Supplies:** A large paper cutout or drawing of Goliath, bean bags (or paper "stones").

- **Instructions:**
 - Hang the Goliath cutout on the wall or place it upright.
 - Let the children take turns throwing bean bags at "Goliath" just like David used his sling.
 - As they play, remind them that David trusted God to defeat the giant, and God helped him!
 - 2. **David and Goliath Craft:**
 - **Supplies:** Paper, crayons, popsicle sticks, glue.
 - **Instructions:**
 - Have the children draw and color David on one piece of paper and Goliath on another.
 - Cut out the figures and glue them to popsicle sticks to create puppets.
 - Let the children act out the story using their puppets.
 - As they do, talk about how God helped David, and He helps us, too!
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Closing:

- Review the key verse: "The battle is the Lord's." (1 Samuel 17:47) and encourage the children to trust God when they face challenges.
- Pray, thanking God for always being with us, just like He was with David when he fought Goliath.

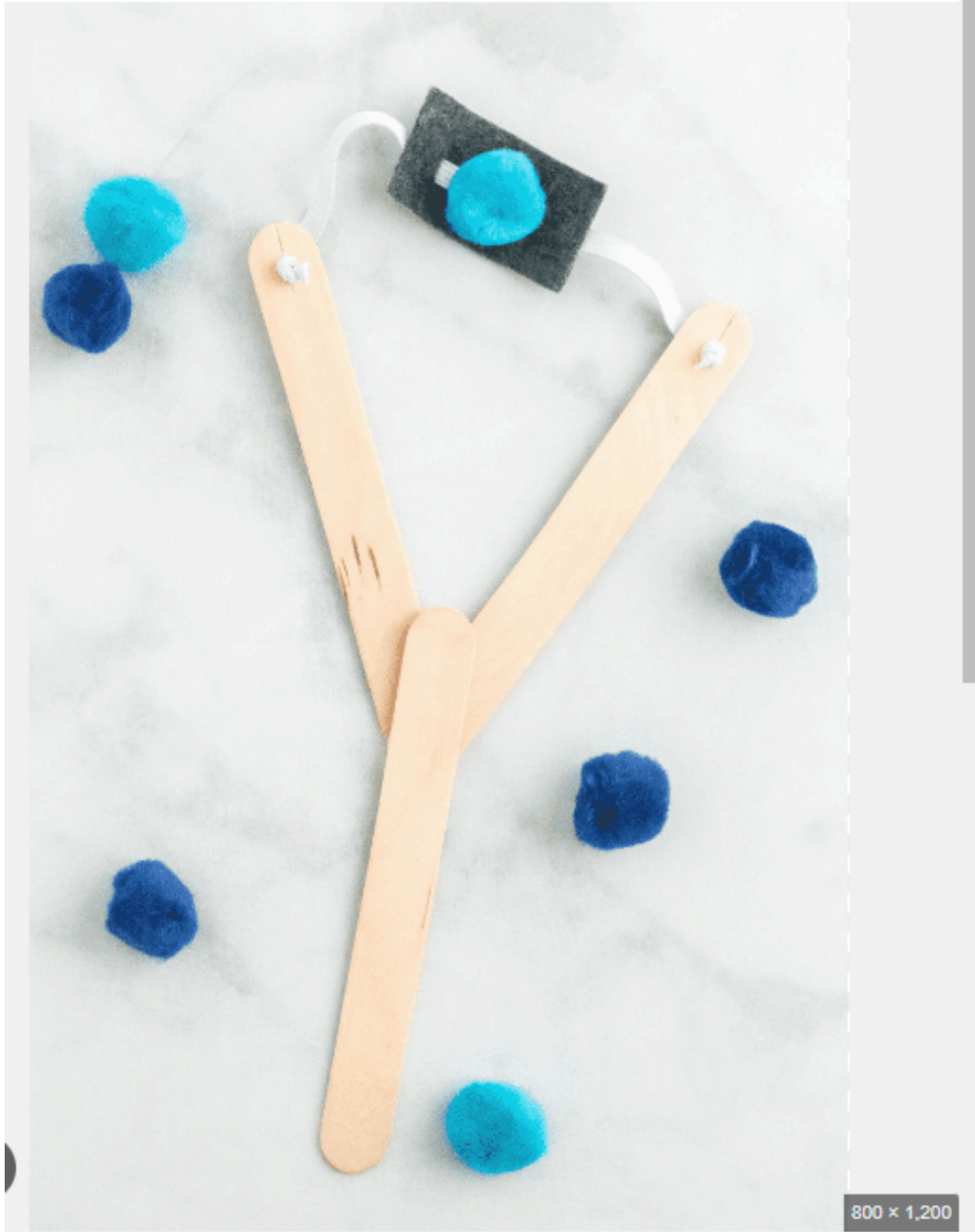
This lesson will help children see that even when they feel small or scared, God is bigger than any "giant" they face!

CRAFT OPTIONS

The BATTLE belongs
to the LORD
1 Samuel 17



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