



**THE BIG IDEA | God can use your gifts.**

**SCRIPTURE | 1 Samuel 17:3-11, 16-25, 32-50**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Open a Bible in your lap as you tell the Bible story. Show the kids five smooth stones in your hand.*

**# TODDLER HACK:** *Hold up your hand and count your fingers with the kids. Use a sing song voice to say, "One stone, two stones, how many more, three stones, four stones, what does David take?, five stones to fight Goliath." Repeat the finger play by touching the kids' fingers as you repeat the words.*

- David went to visit his brothers who were in the army.
- The people they were fighting was an army made up of people called the Philistines. The Philistines had a man in their army named Goliath who was really, really tall. Goliath was yelling mean things to the army David was a part of.
- When David heard what Goliath was saying, he was surprised.
- David said Goliath should not say mean things about God's army.
- David decided he would fight Goliath with God's help.
  - **Did David wear soldier's armor to fight Goliath?** No, he didn't.
  - **Did David take a sword or a spear to fight Goliath?** No, he didn't.
- David took five smooth stones to fight Goliath with. David told Goliath that Goliath had a sword and a spear, but David came in the name of God. David was brave because he knew God would take care of him.
- **Did David win the battle against Goliath?** Yes, he did! David used just one stone and threw it at Goliath. Then, Goliath fell down.
- David showed King Saul Goliath was dead. David was very brave because he knew God would take care of him.

## ACTIVITY | Marble Painting

David used five smooth stones to beat Goliath. Let's use five smooth stones of our own for a different activity!

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Give each kid a piece of paper and place it inside a pie tin, tray, or a box lid. Put marbles in different colored paints, and have kids pick five marbles of different colors to put on their tray. Have kids gently roll the marbles around and create cool art!

- What gifts has God given to you?

Reread 1 Samuel 17:45-47.

- Who did David absolutely make clear was on his side? How can you use your gifts to serve others?

## PRAYER

- God, You made David brave. You helped David use the gift of bravery that You gave him. Help us to be brave like David. Thank you, God.

MEMORY VERSE | Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

