

## A Giant Adventure: Lesson 2

**SuperTruth:** I may seem small; but in God's eyes, I can do great things.

**SuperVerse:** "People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7b (NLT)

**Bible Story:** 1 Samuel 17

### LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

#### Game Materials Needed:

- Paper lunch bags or paper cups, one per child
- Washable markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- Optional: stapler or tape
- Newsprint, about three 11" x 21" sheets per child
- Pennies or pebbles, at least five per team
- Optional: masking or painters tape
- Optional: paper and pencil for scorekeepers
- Optional: fine-tip marker
- Optional: two tables

Even though our fears may seem huge to us, and we may think we are small in comparison, in God's eyes we are not! He gives us His Spirit to live inside us, so we can overcome every fear!

- Select a video to have playing as children enter the Large Group room. Videos are under Resources on the top menu bar.
- Play videos in order of appearance in the Video Player or Leader Guide
- Chris, Joy and Gizmo meet David, a shepherd boy. Goliath challenges anyone in the Israelite army to fight him, but all are afraid—except David, who trusts God and slays the giant Philistine.
- Today's Bible Background Video will help us learn more about the location of David's giant battle.

### SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

**Game:** Who Needs Rules (15 minutes)

*Objective: Explore the Superbook story with a game about defeating giants.*

- We may not have to worry about a giant named Goliath, but we still face some giant fears today.
- Today, we will have the chance to knock down giants that represent problems or fears we face.

*Game Instructions:*

- Divide the class into teams of several children each. Each team should place their "giant" bags on a table or the floor, then stand behind the starting line. Give the first child on each team five pennies or pebbles to try to knock down all of the team's giants.

**Teaching:** Brother David (15 minutes)

*Objective: Present an object lesson and discussion about David.*

- When we see people, we may be tempted to judge them by how they look, but God sees us from the inside out! So let's remember that people's hearts are more important than their looks!
- Use the eight paper squares to illustrate that God sees things that no one else can see.

*Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (2 minutes)*

- The challenge is to keep trying to memorize all the parts of our invisible armor. Remember to look up and write in the booklet the verses that describe each piece.

**SuperVerse:** Superbook Talent Show (5 minutes)

*Objective: Memorize the Superverse with a group activity.*

- Samuel thought God would surely choose one of the older, bigger boys to be Israel's next king. But God looks at things differently than man does! He chose David, who was the youngest and smallest son. God knew David's heart and chose him to do great things as King of Israel!
- Divide the class into small groups. Ask each group to work together to come up with a unique idea on how to present the SuperVerse. They can make up a rap, create motions, take turns saying the words or phrases in a "wave," etc.

**Prayer:** Heart Prayer (5 minutes)

*Objective: Communicate with God.*

- David said in Psalm 51: *Restore to me the joy of Your salvation.* We want to have God's joy!
- Lead children in a prayer asking God to forgive our sins and to wash our hearts from all that terrible guilt and shame so we can be full of His joy!

### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

#### Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bibles or the Superbook Bible App

**Object Lesson:** Discuss Goliath's gear to appreciate God's power and protection. | **Grades 1–6** | 5 min

**Bible Study:** Study a Psalm of David. | **Grades 4–6** | 10 min

**Group Game:** Help David find five stones for his slingshot. | **Grades 1–3** | 10 min

**Rock Craft:** Create a reminder to trust in God. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

**Team Game:** Discover which team can pass five pebbles the fastest. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min