Dear Parent/Guardian,

This month, we will be learning about David. Please read together pages 168-172 in the beginner's bible.

In the story we meet Saul. Saul was the current king of the Israelites. We also meet Samuel. Samuel was a prophet. A prophet listens to God and speaks to the people on God's behalf. We meet Jesse. Jesse was the grandson of Ruth, whom we met last month. He was a father of many sons. Then we meet David.

- I wonder if you have ever not listened and disobeyed?
- I wonder how that made the people around you feel?
- I wonder how David felt being chosen?
- I wonder how David's older brothers felt?
- I wonder what David's heart looked like to God?
- I wonder if you have ever been chosen for something?

Choices can be hard. A game you can play with your family is called This or That? Everyone takes turns asking This or That questions. If it is just 2 people, you just take turns. For more people, sit in a circle and go around with the questions and answers. You can make up almost anything. Here are a few to get you started:

Cat or Dog?
Jokes or Riddles?
Christmas or Halloween?
Mountains or Beaches?
Cake or Pie?
Balloons or Presents?
Playground or Backyard?
Frog or Lizard?
Snowman or Snowball?
Valentine's Day or the Fourth of July?
Ants or Spiders?
Sit or Stand?

In your packet are some coloring pages, worksheets, a harp craft, and a God searches Hearts magnifying glass craft.

David goes from being the youngest son and a shepherd to being anointed to be the next king. He doesn't become king right away. He first served under King Saul. One thing he did was to play the harp (also called a lyre) for Saul. Next month, we will meet Solomon, David's son that becomes King after David dies.

There are on-line lessons at http://stannes-billerica.org/sunday-school-videos/. These are lessons from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and not about the people of the bible that we are meeting in our take-home series.

-Brenda Komarinski



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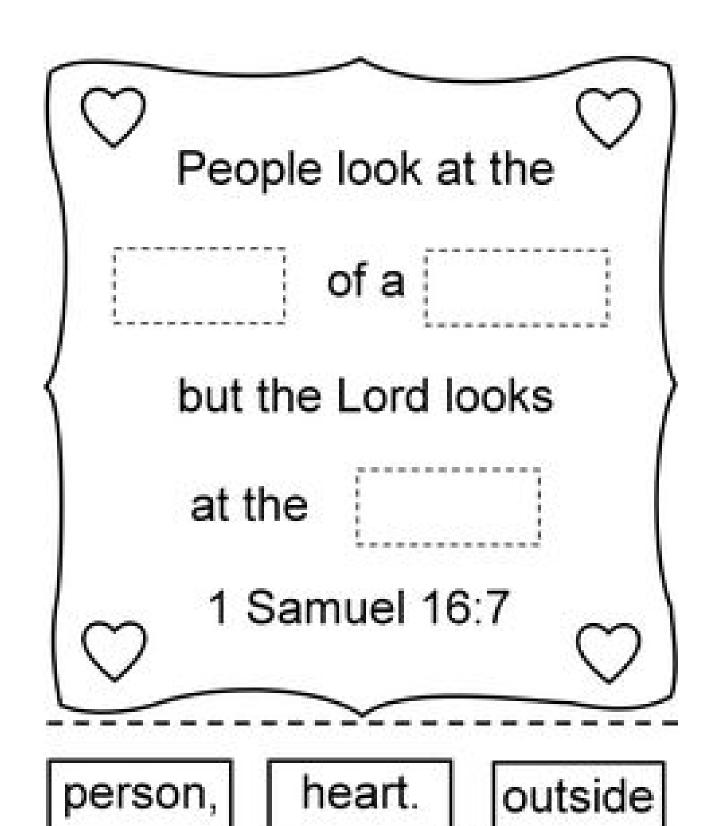
Samuel **Anoints David** as King

-1 Samuel 16

This rhyme tells the story of how David became king, but all the rhyming words are missing! Choose a word from the word list that will help each line make sense. When you are finished, read the poem out loud together.

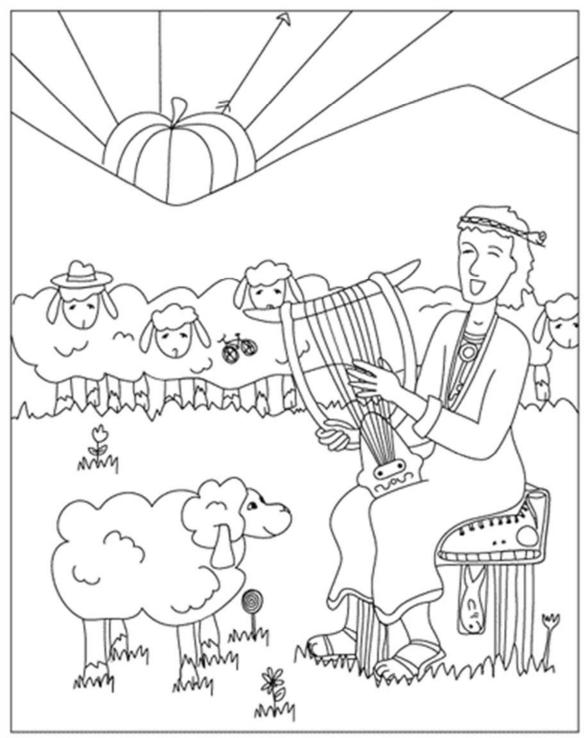
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Circle the hidden objects in the picture of David playing the lyre.

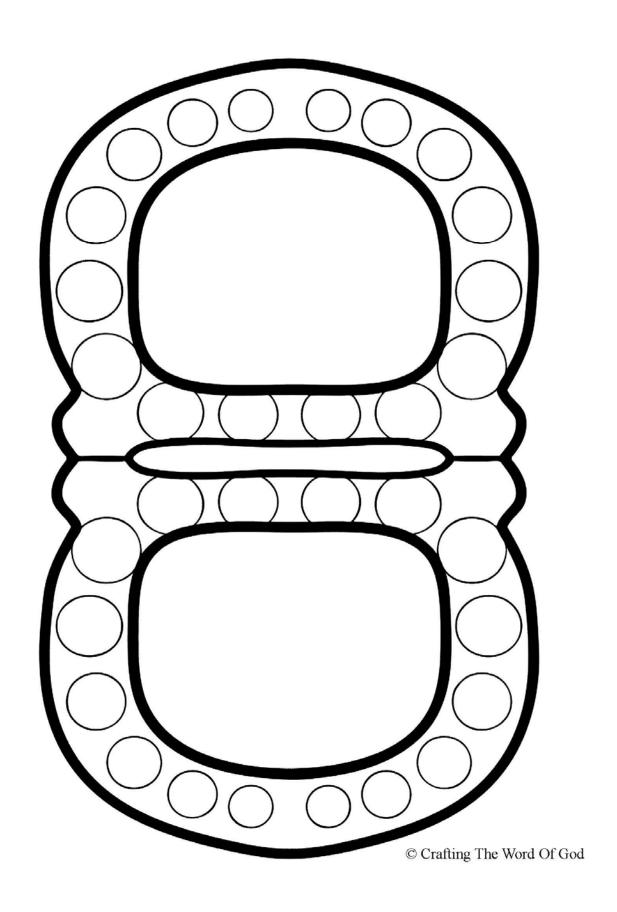


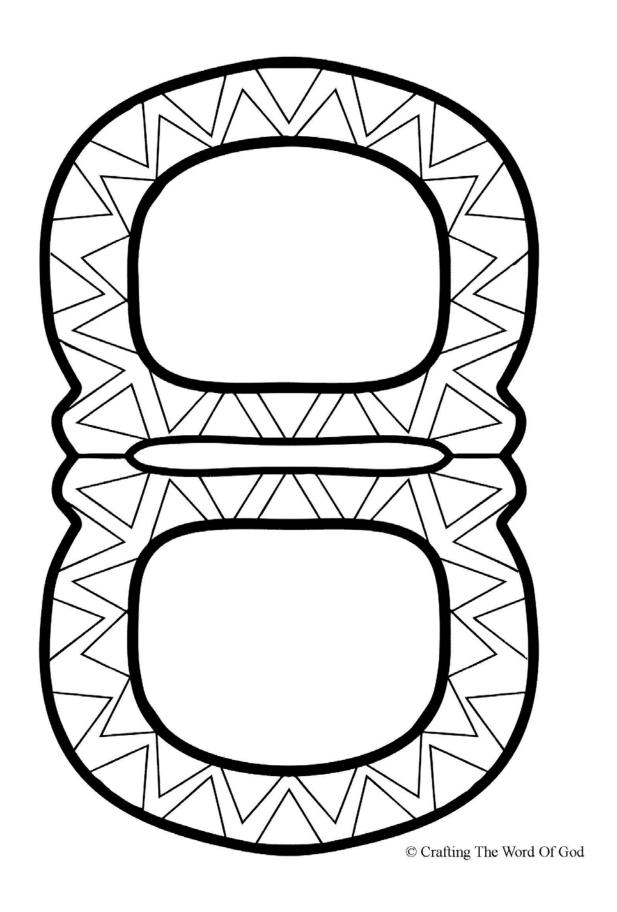
David Playing the Lyre

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- 1. Print the template onto cardstock. If you use regular paper glue the template onto a piece of construction paper for strength. (Template)
- 2. Cut out the template from the cardstock or construction paper.
- 3. Color in the template.
- 4. Using masking tape, tape five or six pieces of thin yarn onto the template.
- 5. Finally add glue and join both sides of the template together forming the harp.







Instructions

- 1. Print the templates. (Template)
- 2. Color and cut out the magnifying glasses.
- 3. Glue the magnifying glass pieces to cardstock for strength.
- 4. Cut out the magnifying glass from the cardstock.
- 5. Cut out the heart and circle template.
- 6. Glue the handles of the magnifying glasses together. Not the rim around the "glass."
- 7. Trace the heart onto a sheet of red construction paper and cut it out.
- 8. Trace the circle twice onto contact paper.
- 9. Cut out the circles.
- 10. Take the back off of one of the circles and in the center of the circle place the heart.
- 11. Remove the back of the other circle and place it on top of the heart/circle. This makes the "glass" of the magnifying glass.
- 12. Place the "glass" in between the rims of the magnifying glass templates, centering it.
- 13. Add glue to the templates to hold the "glass" in place.





