

KING DAVID

1 Samuel 16-17, 20-26

Guide _____

David said: "You've come out to fight me with a sword and a spear and a dagger. But I've come out to fight you in the name of the Lord All-Powerful. He is the God of Israel's army, and you have insulted him too!" — 1 Samuel 17:45

1. Read the stories in **1 Samuel 16:1-18:30** about David's rise to fame. Match the references in the right with the summaries on the left.

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| _____ David is sent to play for Saul. | A. 1 Samuel 16:1-5 |
| _____ Saul meets the giant-killer. | B. 1 Samuel 16y:6-13 |
| _____ David visits his soldier brothers. | C. 1 Samuel 16:14-18 |
| _____ David fells Goliath and cuts off his head. | D. 1 Samuel 16:19-23 |
| _____ Yahweh sends Samuel to Bethlehem. | E. 1 Samuel 17:1-11 |
| _____ Saul's daughter Michal loves and marries David. | F. 1 Samuel 17:12-16 |
| _____ Saul agrees to let David fight Goliath. | G. 1 Samuel 17:17-25 |
| _____ A musician is needed to calm down Saul. | H. 1 Samuel 17:26-30 |
| _____ Singing women welcome David and Saul. | I. 1 Samuel 17:31-40 |
| _____ David stays home while his brothers leave. | J. 1 Samuel 17:41-47 |
| _____ Saul tries to spear Davaid. | K. 1 Samuel 17:48-54 |
| _____ Goliath and David challenge each other. | L. 1 Samuel 17:55-58 |
| _____ Jesse's youngest son is anointed king. | M. 1 Samuel 18:1-5 |
| _____ Saul's daughter Mereb is not given to David. | N. 1 Samuel 18:6-9 |
| _____ David learns that the one who kills Goliath will become Saul's son-in-law. | O. 1 Samuel 18:10-16 |
| _____ Jonathan becomes David's close friend. | P. 1 Samuel 18:17-19 |
| _____ A Philistine giant challenges Saul's soldiers. | Q. 1 Samuel 18:20-30 |

2. Read sections "D," "I," and "L" carefully. What contradictions do you see here?

3. David was a complex person, with both good and not-so-good qualities. Let each person in your group read one of the following chapters, and list some of both qualities.

DAVID & JONATHAN - 1 Samuel 20:1-42	DAVID & SAUL - 1 Samuel 24:1-23
DAVID & ABIGAIL - 1 Samuel 25:2-40	DAVID & MICHAL - 2 Samuel 6:1-23

4. Remember "The Big Picture"? God uses _____, _____
people to do _____ things!

5. How ordinary are you?

6. And what amazing things is God doing with you?