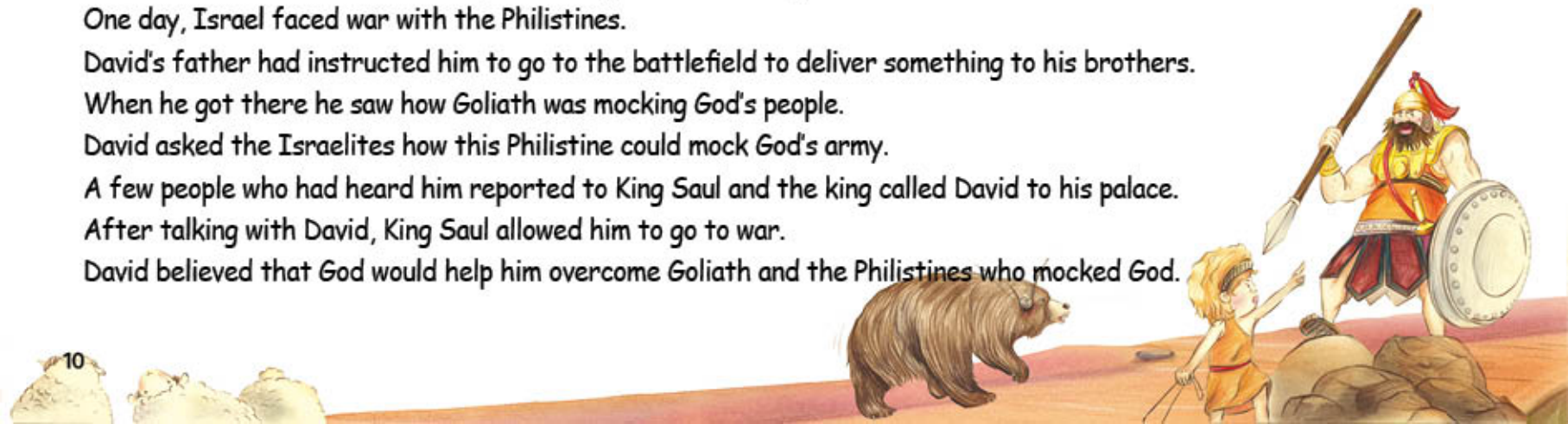
## Story 2 : David & Goliath

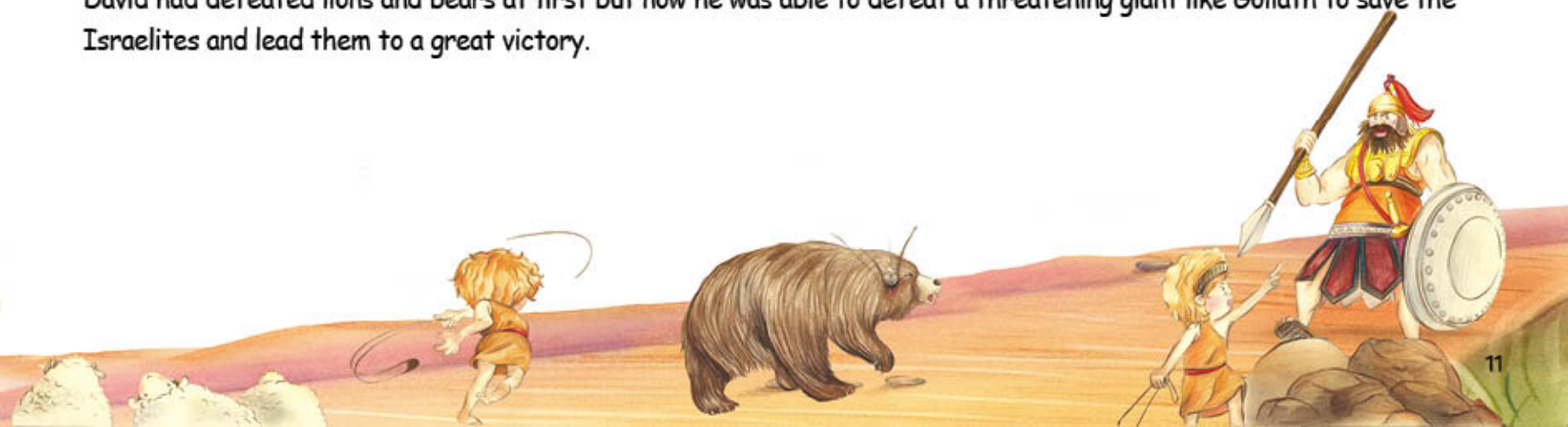
Main Bible verse [1 Samuel 17:45]

**David said to Goliath, "You are coming to fight against me with a sword, a spear and a javelin. But I'm coming against you in the name of the Lord who rules over all. He is the God of the armies of Israel. He's the one you have dared to fight against.**

David was a shepherd boy. He worked hard as a shepherd boy but also played the harp to praise God.
Among his friends, he was known to be someone who loved to praise the Lord and who played the harp very well.
He was also known as a great man of prayer. David believed that God was always with him.
When raising the sheep, David was often faced with lions and bears trying to attack his sheep.
David was too young and scared to face the wild lions and bears alone.
And so, David prayed to God.
David practiced his slingshot so that he would be able to protect his sheep from attacks from lions, bears and other wild animals.
David had perfect aim with his slingshot. Every time a wild animal came, he would strike down the lion or bear.
The animal would release the sheep from its jaw and run away.
One day, Israel faced war with the Philistines.
David's father had instructed him to go to the battlefield to deliver something to his brothers.
When he got there he saw how Goliath was mocking God's people.
David asked the Israelites how this Philistine could mock God's army.
A few people who had heard him reported to King Saul and the king called David to his palace.
After talking with David, King Saul allowed him to go to war.
David believed that God would help him overcome Goliath and the Philistines who mocked God.



Before going out to fight Goliath, David picked up his staff and slingshot which he used to fight the lions and bears in the field. He also chose five smooth stones and placed them in his pocket.
When David approached the Philistine, Goliath saw him and laughed at him.
But David was not afraid.
David ran quickly toward the battle line. Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone,
he slung it and struck the Philistine's forehead.
The stone sank into his forehead and the Philistine crashed to the ground.
David ran and stood over him. He took hold of the Philistine's sword, drew it from its sheath and cut off the Philistine's head.
When the Philistines saw that their hero was dead, they turned and ran. The Israelites triumphed that day.
Just as he had believed in and trusted God whenever he was faced with a fearsome lion or a grizzly bear,
David triumphed that day because he believed in the power of God.
David had defeated lions and bears at first but now he was able to defeat a threatening giant like Goliath to save the Israelites and lead them to a great victory.



**Activity 1.** **Answer the following questions.**

a. Who did David believe in to help him defeat the Philistines and Goliath?

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b. What did David take with him when he fought Goliath?

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c. Read 1 Samuel 17:41-54, and answer: What did David say to Goliath? Write it down and Say it loudly like David did.

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- **Read and memorize the Bible verse. (1 Samuel 17:45)**

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**Activity 2.** Cut out and assemble the wheel craft of the story of David and Goliath.

Materials: Scissors, paper fastener.

