



SUMMERFEST

SERIES OVERVIEW

Woo hoo! It's Summerfest time again!!! This year as we invite our kids and students to worship with the adults in "big church," we're going to explore four stories of amazing children in the Bible. As we'll see, although each of these kids are young, they have a lot to teach us because of their extraordinary faith. Their experiences are a reminder that we are never too young to be an important and faith-filled instrument of God!

WEEK 1 - DAVID THE YOUNG SHEPHERD WARRIOR OVERVIEW

One of the most famous stories of a kid in the Bible has to be that of the young shepherd boy, David (the future *King* David), as he fights and defeats the mighty Philistine warrior Goliath. And with nothing more than a stone and a sling, no less. David's story is a reminder that it is not human might and power which truly counts in this world, but faith in God. What might happen if we all learned to trust in God's protection instead of our own self-sufficiency, as David did?

You come to me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of Heaven's Armies... everyone assembled here will know that the LORD rescues his people, but not with sword and spear.

1 Samuel 17:45, 47

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does the story of David and Goliath show us what it means to trust in God when everyone else is trusting in themselves?
2. Read [1 Samuel 17:1-11](#) and [Genesis 3:14-19](#).
 - a. How does this part of the story of David and Goliath link back to Adam and Eve?
 - b. Why does the author of 1 Samuel include this information? (see the Sermon Notes in the Grace App for more info)
3. Why do you think the Israelite army was terrified of Goliath?
4. Read [1 Samuel 17:32-40](#).
 - a. Why do you think David was not terrified of Goliath?
 - b. What is the significance of David choosing to not wear the same type of armor that Goliath was wearing?
5. Read [1 Samuel 17:41-51](#).
 - a. How does this part of the story of David and Goliath link back to Adam and Eve?
 - b. How did David reject the serpent's schemes?
6. What are some of the "giants" that people face today?
7. What does it look like to fight "giants" of today using the enemy's methods?
8. Do we trust in God the way young David did? When facing the "giants" in your life, what would it look like if you decided to trust in God's protection instead of your own self-sufficiency?