

When finished with activities, return all necessary items to bag and place in the hallway for pick-up.

Program A-1

Samuel Anoints David

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Samuel & Kings Series: Lesson #6

Bible Verse: The LORD looks at the heart. 1 Samuel 16:7

Bible Story for children:

Focus on: God looks at us on the inside (heart) not the outside (appearance).

Prop ideas: Nesting dolls (*Wooden figure with another similar smaller figure inside, and another and another. I have one from Russia, but it is a woman. It has 5. Eight would be perfect.*)

A small, ugly bag or box with something nice inside.

Dolls/puppets of different sizes

SAMPLE STORY

Samuel had loved King Saul and was very sad that he had disobeyed God. God told Samuel, "Stop being sad about Saul. Fill your horn with oil and go see Jesse in the town of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king." So Samuel did as the LORD said and went to Bethlehem.

When Samuel got to Bethlehem, he invited Jesses and his sons to take part in a sacrifice to the LORD. When Samuel saw Eliab, he thought to himself, "Surely he is the one God has chosen to be king." But the LORD said to Samuel, "This is not the one. Do not look at his appearance or his height. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance. The LORD looks at the heart."

Jesse then called his next son to walk before Samuel. Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." One by one, Jesse had his seven oldest sons walk before Samuel. He then asked Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these. Are these all of your sons?" Jesse answered, "There is still the youngest. But he is in the fields tending the sheep." Samuel told him to send for the youngest son. "We will not sit down until he arrives."

When David came in from the fields, God told Samuel, "Rise and anoint him. He is the one." God had chosen the youngest and smallest son of Jesse! God did not look for the biggest and strongest son. He looked at what was in the heart. David may have been a small, young boy, but he loved God more than anything. His heart was set on pleasing God. So, Samuel took the

horn of oil and anointed David in front of his brothers. From that day on, the Spirit of the LORD was with David.

FYI

Second Session Classes will be:

Blowing Bubbles
Playing with Play-dough
Making Number Books

PAINT WITH PUDDING

Materials: 3 – 4 Pudding Cups (No refrigeration needed type)
Finger Paint Paper (or coated cardstock)

Do: Give each child a piece of paper. Drop a couple of teaspoons of pudding onto paper and let them *paint*. Because many children will want to eat some of their *paint*, have them wash hands both before and after the activity.

Talk about: How does the pudding feel on your fingers?

COLOR DAVID W/SHEEP

Materials: Coloring Page
Crayons (In room)

Do: Give the children a coloring page and crayons for coloring.

Talk about: David was the youngest son of Jesse. He was out in the fields taking care of his father's sheep. He was a shepherd.

SIZE SORTING CUPS

Materials: Nesting Cups or paper/plastic cups of different sizes

Do: Help the child line the cups up by size.

Talk about: Jesse presented his sons, from oldest to youngest, to Samuel. At first, he only presented the seven older boys. Samuel asked to see the youngest son, David, who was watching the sheep on the fields.

EXTRA:

Materials: Items from around the classroom.

Do: Ask the children to look for items of different sizes from around the room. Help them place in order of largest to smallest. (Suggestions: Dolls, blocks, chairs, books, shoes)
You can even sort the children by shoe size, hand size, hair length or height.

TEACHER EXTRA: OIL & WATER BOTTLE

Materials: 16 – 20 Oz. Plastic Bottle
¾ - 1 Cup of Oil
Food Coloring
Funnel
Duct or Packing Tape
Water

Do: As much as possible, let the children help make this project. (They enjoy measuring and pouring). Place ¾ to 1 C. of oil in a bottle. Use a small plastic drinking cup to pour water into bottle. Fill to within 1 – 1 ½ in. of top. Add a few drops of food coloring. (Although the oil is on top of the water, the food coloring should not dissolve in the oil, but will drop down to mix with the water). ***After placing the cap on the bottle, seal cap with tape to prevent curious minds from opening the bottle.***

Talk about: Tilt the bottle slowly and watch the oil and water flow. Oil and water do not mix. (You can shake it. Beads of oil form and the two begin to separate). The oil is lighter and floats on top of the water. Samuel used oil to anoint David. He poured the oil over his head.