

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

Program A-2

## 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

First Session Classes will be:

Painting with Pudding  
Coloring "David W/Sheep"  
Playing with Size Sorting Cups

## BUBBLES

Materials: Bubble solution and wands

Do: Have fun blowing bubbles

Talk about: Ask simple questions about the Bible story. Blow bubbles after you hear the answer.

Have the children count how many bubbles they see/pop.

Some bubbles are small. Some bubbles are large. Look for some that stick together.

## PLAYDOUGH

Materials: Play-dough

Do: Make sheep. Make different size balls and line up in order of size.

Talk about: David was the smallest and the youngest brother. But, God chose him to be the next king.

## NUMBER BOOKS W/STAMPS

Materials: Construction Paper cut into quarters  
Ink Stamps  
Crayons or markers (In room)  
Stapler (In room)

*Each child needs 8 quarter sheets and 36 stickers. If you need more supplies, check with the Joyland Desk.*

Do:

- Give each child 8 pieces (quarters) of paper.
- Let the older ones write a number in the center of each page from 1 to 8. Help the younger ones or write it for them.

- Help make one stamp for page one. Two stamps for page two, etc. They may be all the same on each page or different.
- Practice counting. If a child gets too many or too few on a page, let them correct it if they want. But don't make a big deal if the numbers don't add up.
- Staple the pages together to make a book.

Talk about: Jesse had eight sons. Look at their books and count to eight. Look for other things around the room that there may be eight of.

### 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.