This week's story is about the famous giant of the Bible, Goliath. He dared anyone to fight him and finally young David decided to do so. David trusted in the armor of God instead of Saul's heavy armor. He put his faith and trust in God for help, just as we need to do in our daily lives.

David and Goliath

Goliath was a nine-foot-tall soldier from Gath. He bragged that he could beat any Israelite soldier who would fight him. But all the Israelite soldiers were afraid to fight him.

David was a young shepherd boy who believed in God. He said, "The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." David took his sling and five smooth stones from the brook. Then he went to fight Goliath.

King Saul wanted to put his heavy armor and helmet on David. He also tried to give David a big sword, but David said he could not wear them. He knew that his strength and protection came from God.

Goliath cursed the boy coming out to fight with him. David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied."

David threw a stone with his sling at Goliath. It hit Goliath in the forehead and the giant fell face down. Without a sword in his hand he killed the giant.

David believed in God, and God helped him win over the giant.

The story of David and Goliath can be found in the book of First Samuel chapter 17.

Memory Verse: David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin;
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First Samuel 17:45

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