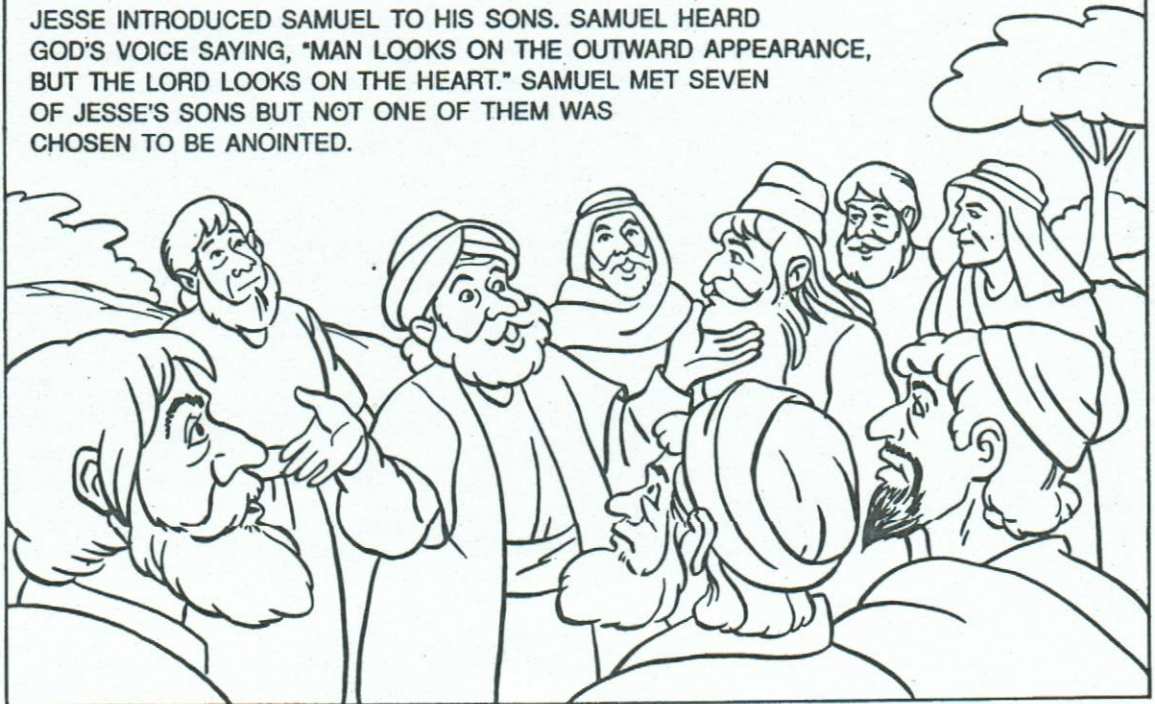


DAVID AND GOLIATH

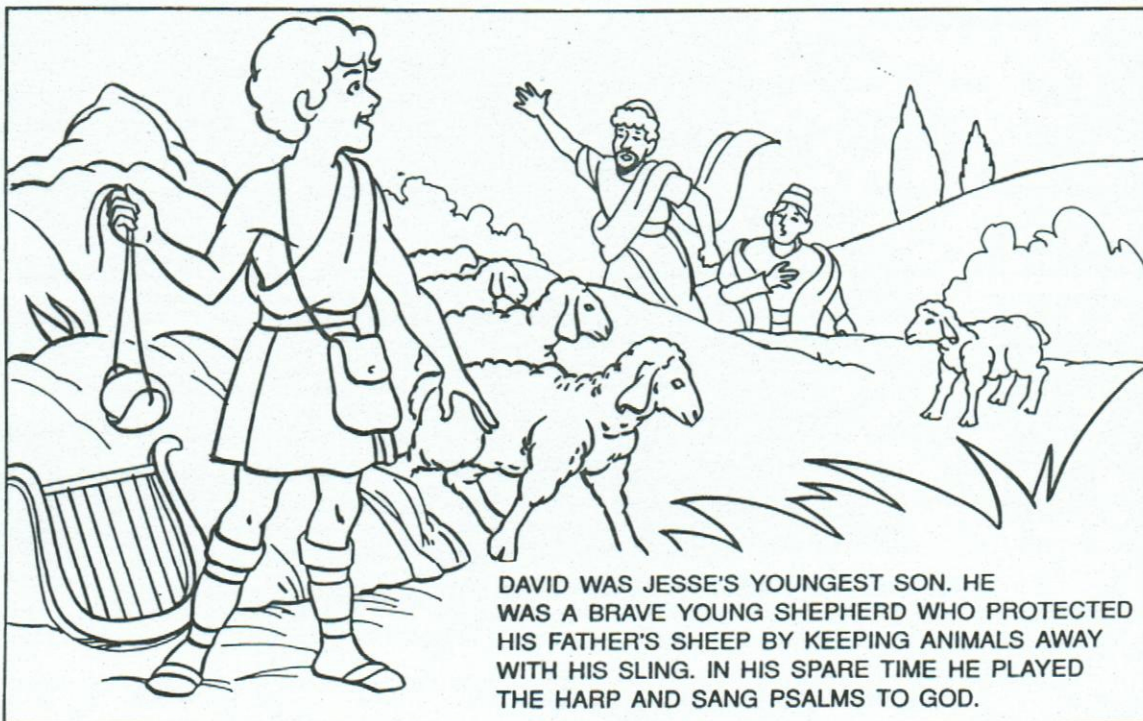
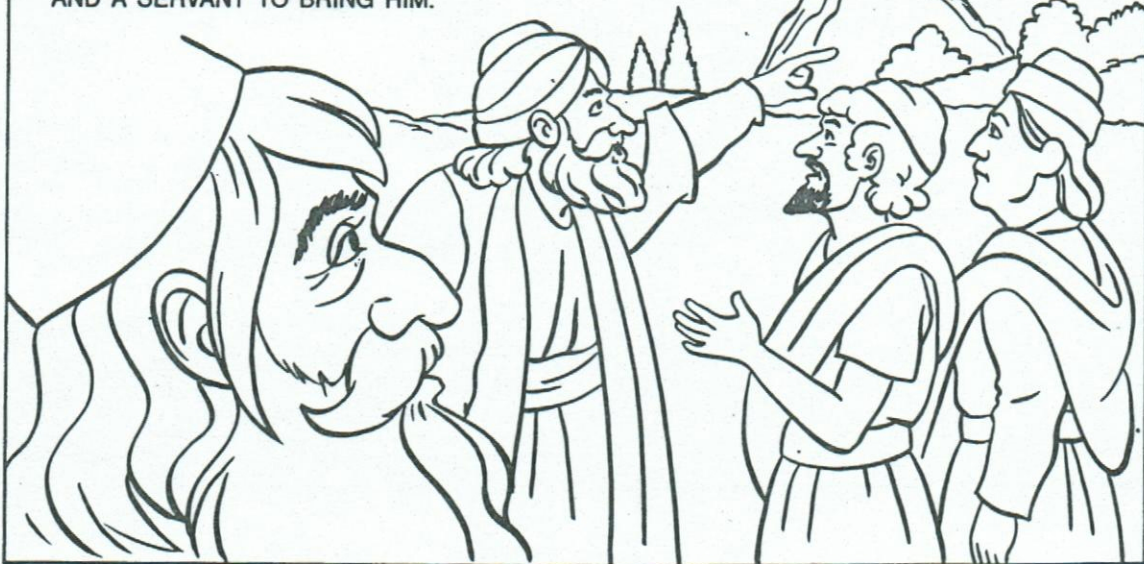
SAMUEL WAS A PROPHET OF GOD IN THE TIME OF KING SAUL. GOD COMMANDED SAMUEL TO GO TO BETHLEHEM TO SEE A MAN NAMED JESSE. GOD SAID HE HAD CHOSEN ONE OF JESSE'S SONS TO BE KING. SAMUEL WAS TO FIND THE CHOSEN ONE AND ANOINT HIM.



JESSE INTRODUCED SAMUEL TO HIS SONS. SAMUEL HEARD GOD'S VOICE SAYING, "MAN LOOKS ON THE OUTWARD APPEARANCE, BUT THE LORD LOOKS ON THE HEART." SAMUEL MET SEVEN OF JESSE'S SONS BUT NOT ONE OF THEM WAS CHOSEN TO BE ANOINTED.



SAMUEL ASKED JESSE IF HE HAD SEEN ALL HIS SONS. JESSE TOLD HIM THAT DAVID HIS YOUNGEST WAS TENDING SHEEP. SAMUEL WANTED TO SEE HIM, SO JESSE SENT ONE OF HIS SONS AND A SERVANT TO BRING HIM.



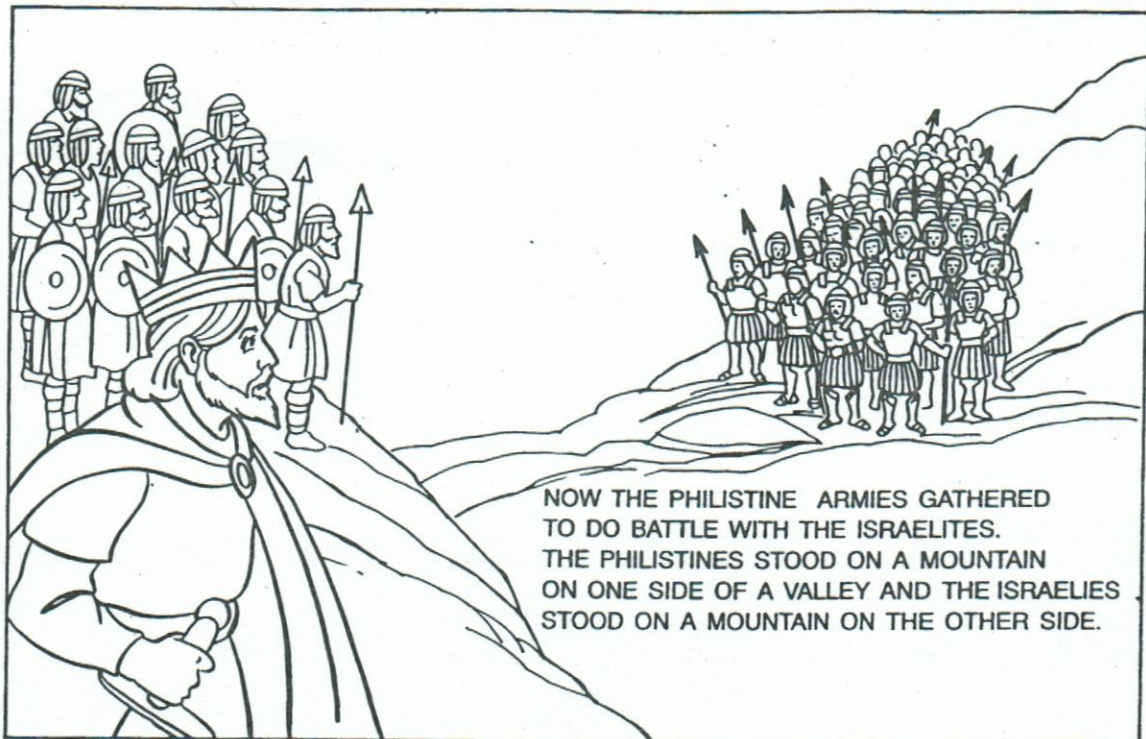
DAVID WAS JESSE'S YOUNGEST SON. HE WAS A BRAVE YOUNG SHEPHERD WHO PROTECTED HIS FATHER'S SHEEP BY KEEPING ANIMALS AWAY WITH HIS SLING. IN HIS SPARE TIME HE PLAYED THE HARP AND SANG PSALMS TO GOD.

DAVID WAS BROUGHT TO SAMUEL. WHEN SAMUEL SAW HIM HE HEARD GOD SAY, "THIS IS MY CHOSEN ONE." SAMUEL ANOINTED DAVID AND TOLD HIM HE WOULD BE THE NEXT KING OF ISRAEL.

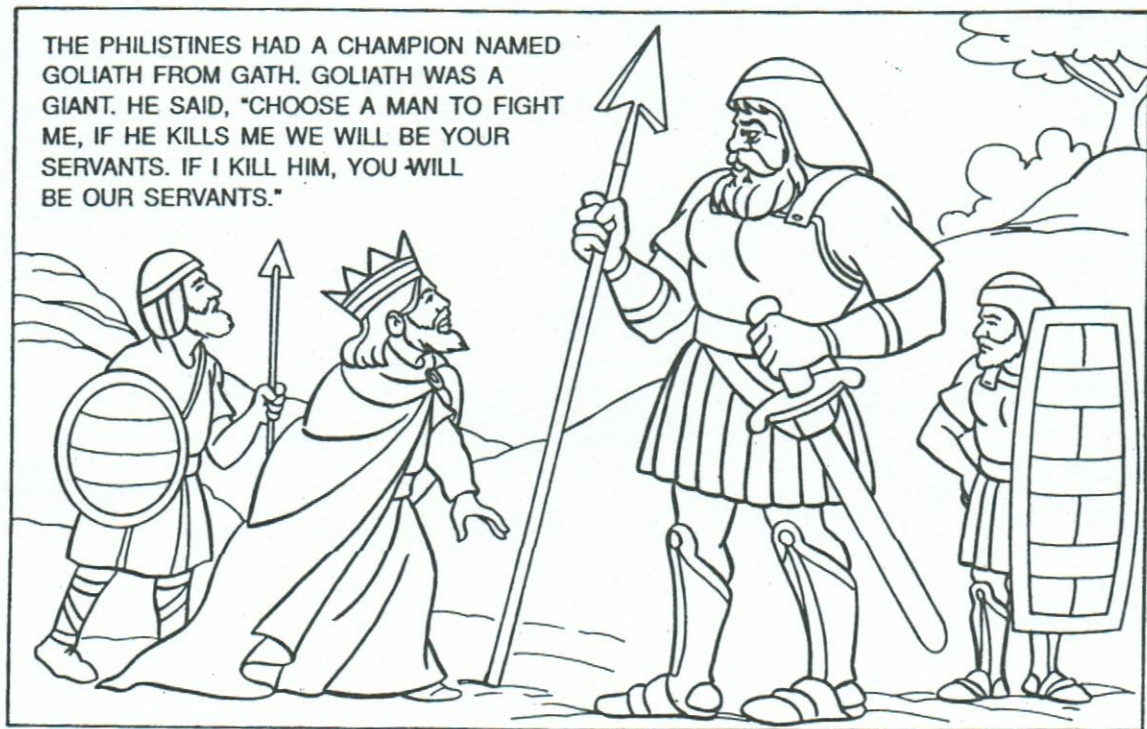


SOON AFTER, KING SAUL WAS LOOKING FOR A HARP PLAYER TO PLAY FOR HIM. ONE OF HIS SERVANTS TOLD HIM ABOUT YOUNG DAVID. WHEN KING SAUL MET DAVID HE LIKED HIM VERY MUCH. DAVID STAYED AT THE PALACE AND PLAYED FOR THE KING.





NOW THE PHILISTINE ARMIES GATHERED TO DO BATTLE WITH THE ISRAELITES. THE PHILISTINES STOOD ON A MOUNTAIN ON ONE SIDE OF A VALLEY AND THE ISRAELIES STOOD ON A MOUNTAIN ON THE OTHER SIDE.

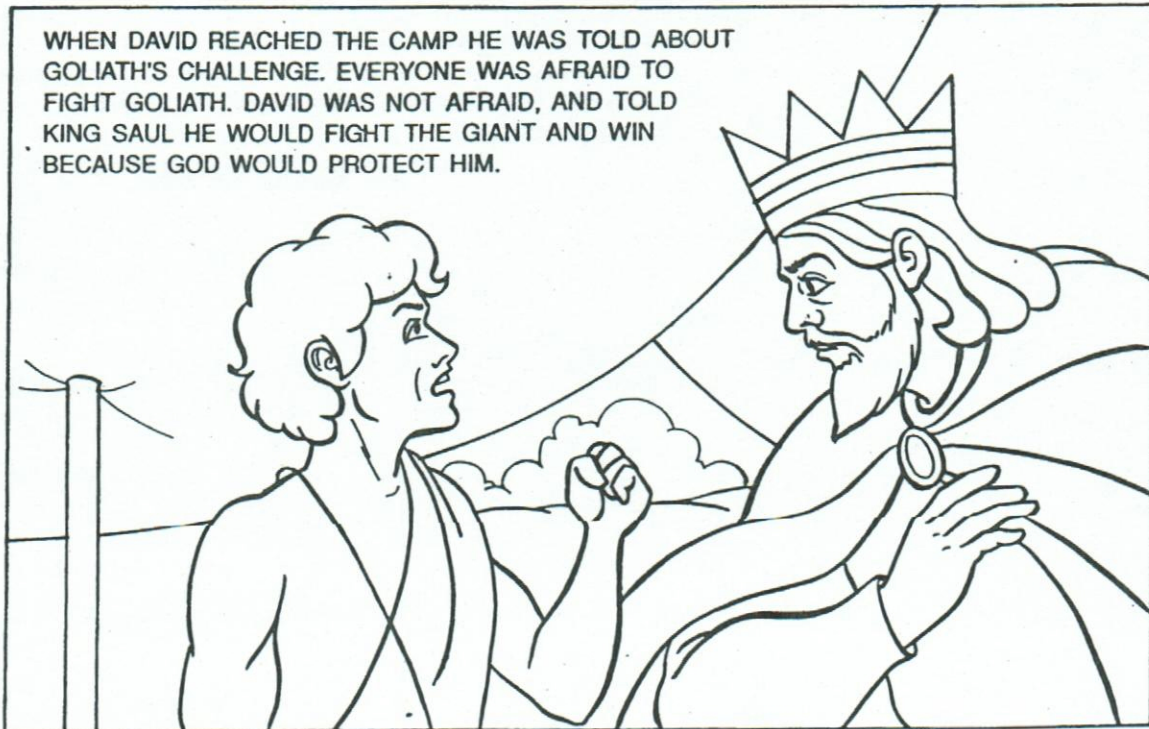


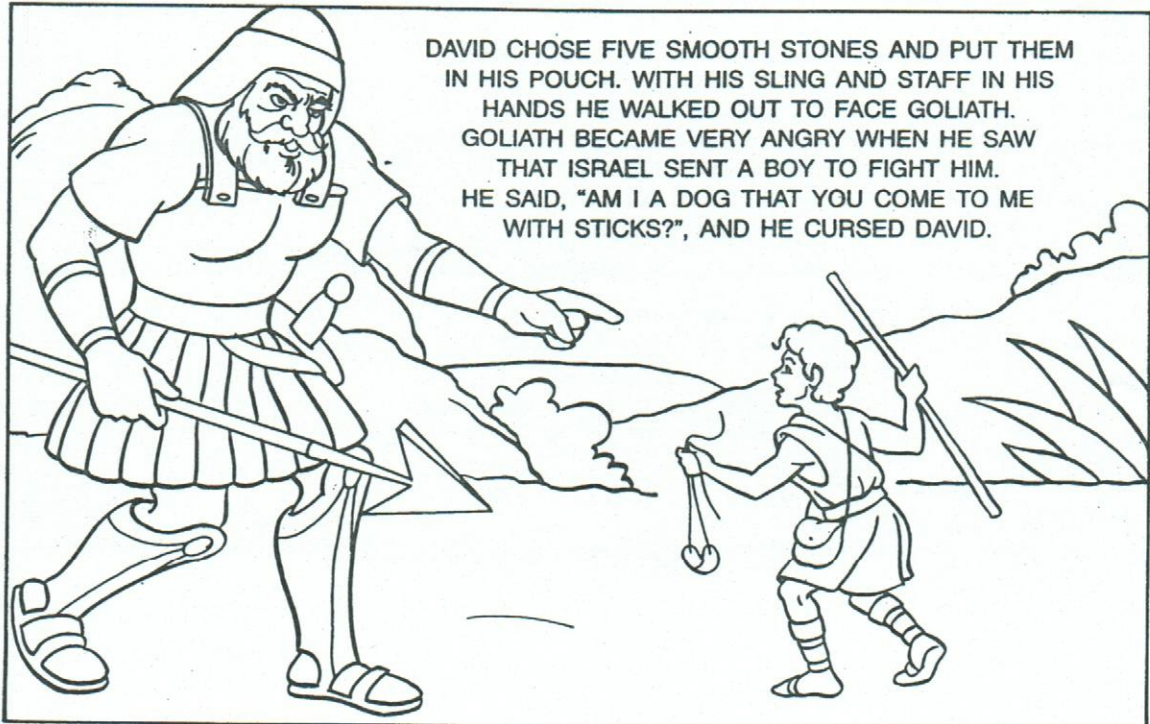
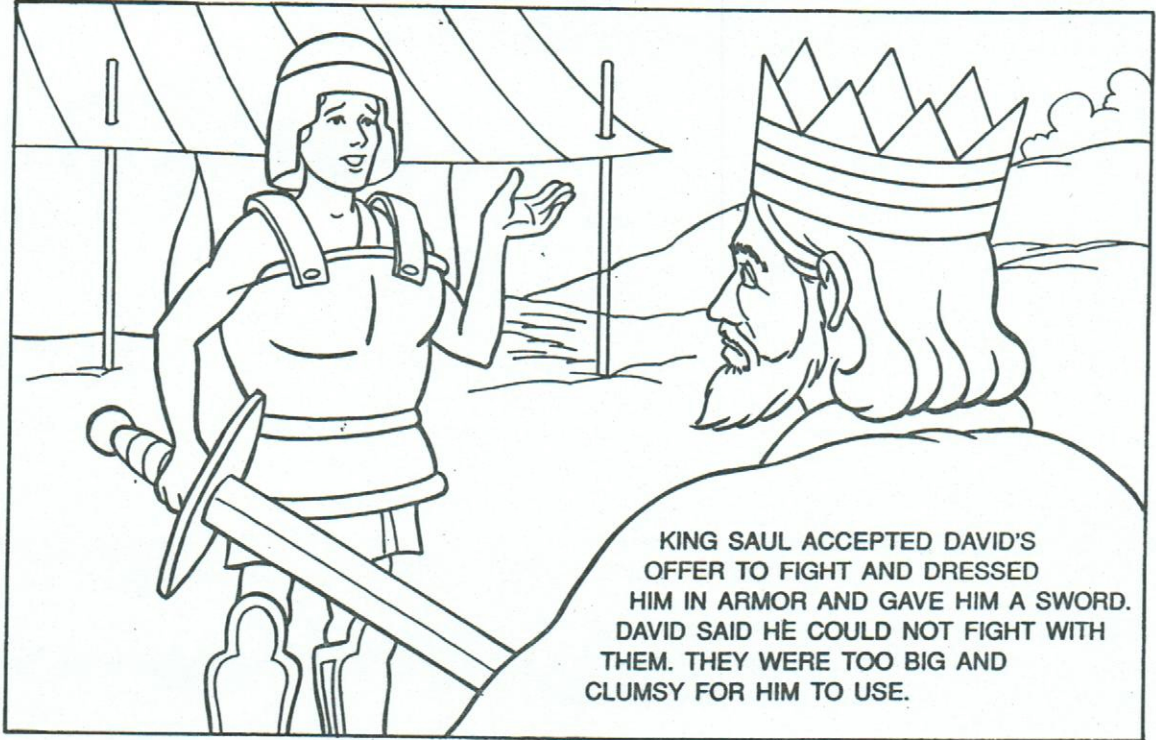
THE PHILISTINES HAD A CHAMPION NAMED GOLIATH FROM GATH. GOLIATH WAS A GIANT. HE SAID, "CHOOSE A MAN TO FIGHT ME, IF HE KILLS ME WE WILL BE YOUR SERVANTS. IF I KILL HIM, YOU WILL BE OUR SERVANTS."

DAVID'S THREE OLDEST BROTHERS FOLLOWED KING SAUL TO THE BATTLE. DAVID WOULD OFTEN GO HOME TO FEED HIS FATHERS SHEEP. ONE DAY DAVID'S FATHER ASKED HIM TO TAKE SOME FOOD TO HIS BROTHERS AT THEIR CAMP.

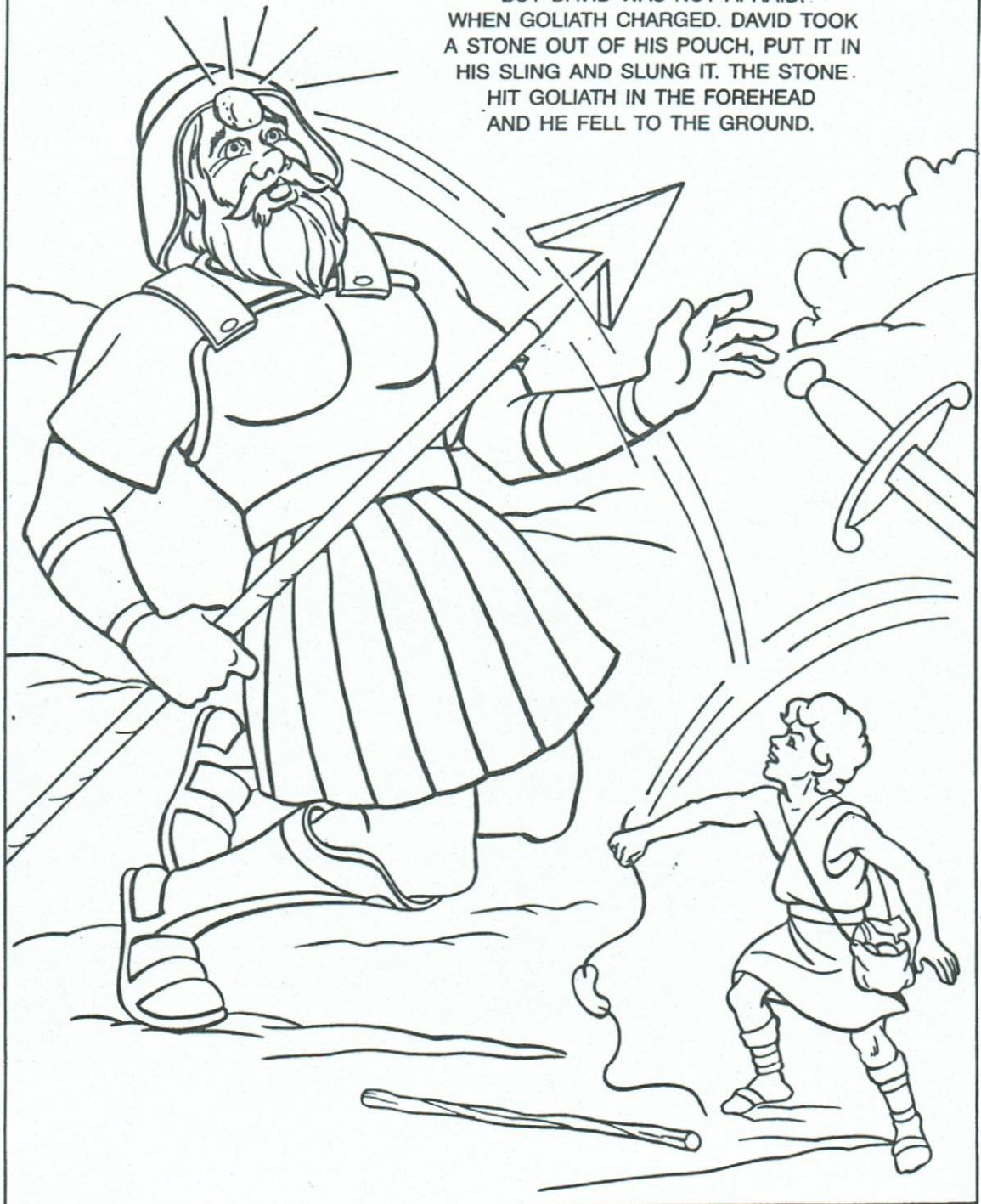


WHEN DAVID REACHED THE CAMP HE WAS TOLD ABOUT GOLIATH'S CHALLENGE. EVERYONE WAS AFRAID TO FIGHT GOLIATH. DAVID WAS NOT AFRAID, AND TOLD KING SAUL HE WOULD FIGHT THE GIANT AND WIN BECAUSE GOD WOULD PROTECT HIM.





BUT DAVID WAS NOT AFRAID.
WHEN GOLIATH CHARGED. DAVID TOOK
A STONE OUT OF HIS POUCH, PUT IT IN
HIS SLING AND SLUNG IT. THE STONE
HIT GOLIATH IN THE FOREHEAD
AND HE FELL TO THE GROUND.



WHEN THE PHILISTINES SAW THEIR CHAMPION WAS DEAD THEY RAN AWAY, AND THE MEN OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH CHASED THEM OUT OF THE VALLEY. THEN THEY CAME BACK AND REJOICED.



LATER DAVID MARRIED KING SAUL'S DAUGHTER, AND WHEN KING SAUL DIED DAVID BECAME KING OF ISRAEL JUST AS THE PROPHET SAMUEL SAID HE WOULD.

