

HomeWord
For Parents

God had rejected Saul as king over Israel because of his disobedience. God sent the prophet Samuel to a man of Judah, named Jesse, to anoint the king who would replace Saul. God promised to reveal to Samuel which of Jesse's sons was the one whom God had selected (1 Samuel 16:1). As Jesse's sons were presented to Samuel, he thought that surely God must have chosen Eliab, Jesse's oldest, as Israel's new king (1 Samuel 16:6). But the Lord revealed to Samuel that the things that impressed Samuel were not the things which were important to God. Eliab's appearance and physical stature were the focus of Samuel's admiration, but "the Lord looks at the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7). Jesse's youngest son, David, would replace Saul as king. David was ruddy, bright-eyed, and good-looking. The Lord had sought for Himself a man after His own heart (1 Samuel 13:14) to replace Saul as king. This described David's heart. David was also skillful in playing music, a mighty man of valor, a man of war, prudent in speech, a handsome person, and the Lord was with him (1 Samuel 16:18).

Saul remained the king for a while even after God had anointed David to replace him. David now had the Spirit of God to sustain him (1 Samuel 16:13). Because of Saul's disobedience, God sent a distressing spirit to Saul (1 Samuel 16:14). In God's sovereignty and perfect plan, David was brought into Saul's court to comfort and soothe Saul when that distressing spirit would come upon him (1 Samuel 16:23). David obediently served, and Saul loved him (1 Samuel 16:21). God was sovereignly working events to bring David to prominence and popularity with the people of Israel.

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

OutWord For Family Discussion

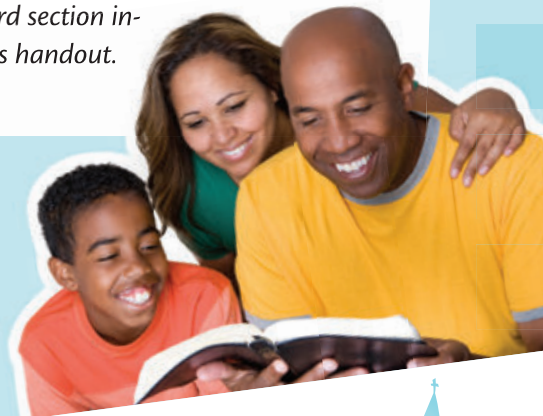
Suppose you are talking with your friends, and they just seem confused about God and some of the things the Bible says about Him. They just don't understand all of it. **What could you say?**

We can read the Bible for the rest of our lives and still learn new things! A lot of it seems confusing to us, that's true. But as we grow in faith and study God's Word, we will understand more and more of it. AND there are some things we can know for sure even now! Like God is good all the time. There is nothing evil in Him. He is the Creator of everything. He made everything that exists and He rules over it all. That includes us. He deserves our love and obedience. Don't get discouraged. Keep reading, praying, and learning about God through the Bible!

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For Family Study

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge..." (Proverbs 1:7). This knowledge comes from understanding and revering God as He is revealed to us in His Word. Equip your children for wisdom by learning God's Word together.

Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.



God Chooses David

 **Key Theme**

- God knows our hearts.

 **Key Passages**

- 1 Samuel 16:1b, 16:6-7, 16:12
- John 14:15



What You HEARD in the Word

- God chose David to be the next king of Israel. God saw David's heart just as He sees ours.

Ask your child these questions from today's lesson.

- 1 Why did God choose a new king?
- 2 What did God look at when He chose the king?
- 3 Who was chosen to be the next king?



1) Saul disobeyed God. 2) The heart. 3) David.

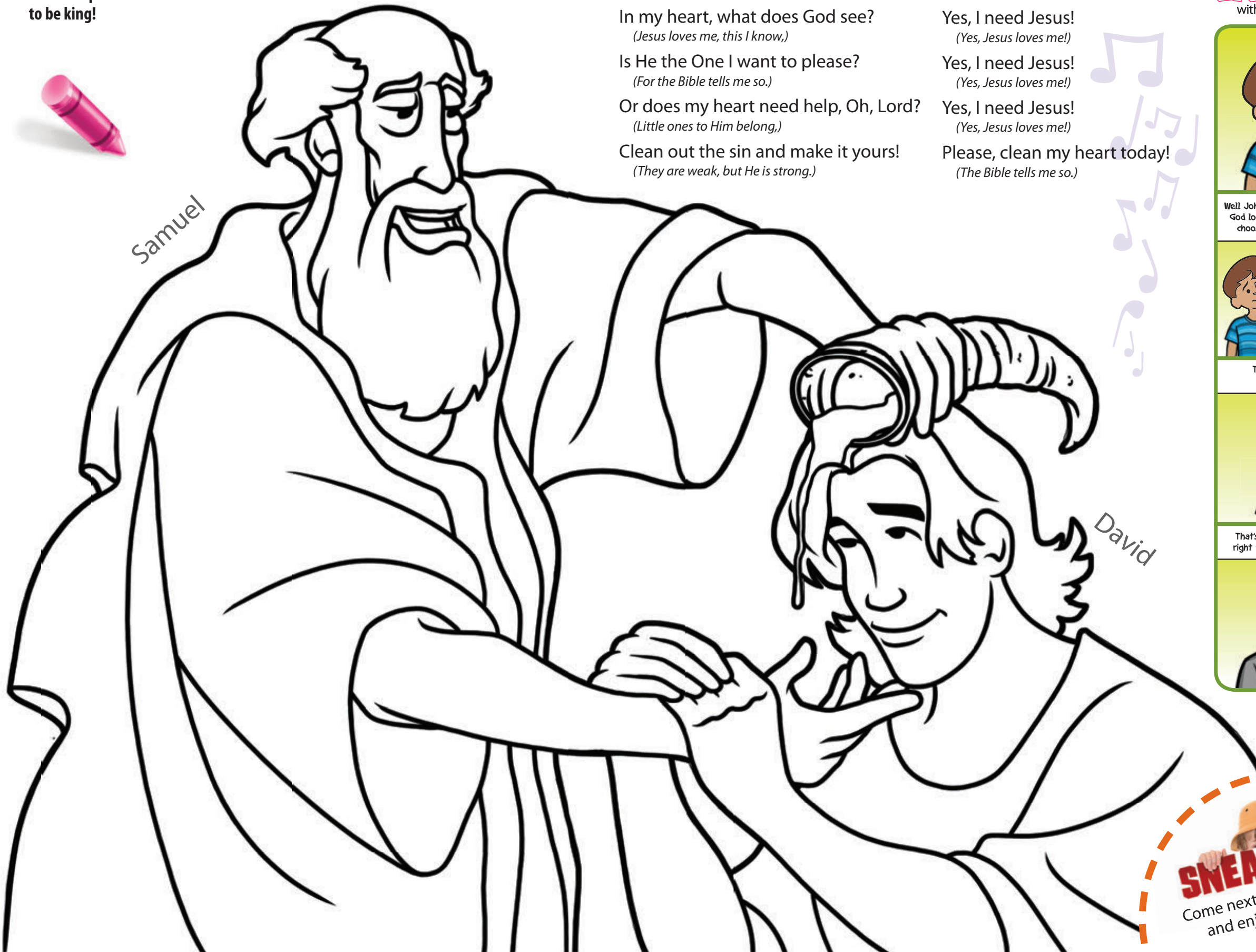
Read the Word with Mom & Dad

- Monday** (1 Samuel 16:19-20)
When David went to see King Saul, what did he bring?
- Tuesday** (1 Samuel 16:21)
What did King Saul think of David?
- Wednesday** (1 Samuel 16:23)
How did David's music help King Saul?
- Thursday** (1 Corinthians 1:27)
Who has God chosen in the world?
- Friday** (Matthew 21:9)
What was Jesus called in this verse?
- Saturday** (John 7:42)
What special person was born from the seed of David?

Learn the Word!

For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."
1 Samuel 16:7b

God Chose David
Color the picture below. God chose David to be king!



Clean My Heart

(To the tune of "Jesus Loves Me")
In my heart, what does God see?
(Jesus loves me, this I know,)
Is He the One I want to please?
(For the Bible tells me so.)
Or does my heart need help, Oh, Lord?
(Little ones to Him belong,)
Clean out the sin and make it yours!
(They are weak, but He is strong.)

Yes, I need Jesus!
(Yes, Jesus loves me!)
Yes, I need Jesus!
(Yes, Jesus loves me!)
Yes, I need Jesus!
(Yes, Jesus loves me!)
Please, clean my heart today!
(The Bible tells me so.)

LIVE the Word
with Johnny and His Dad

SNEAK PEEK
Come next week to celebrate and enjoy a fun review!