

Ages 1-2
7.27.25

God Chose David

VERSE

Do what God
says.
-Deuteronomy
5:32

CHOOSE a TOY

Gather a combination of eight toy animals, dolls, or people figures. Together, arrange the items around the room. Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Comment that God chose one of Jesse's sons to be king. Invite your child to role play the part of Samuel and choose one of the toys to be king. Ask until one is chosen: "Is this the new king?" Explain that God knows every person, and His way is always best.

BABIES

Look at FAMILY PHOTOS

Point to a photo of each family member and say his name.
Point to a photo of your baby.
Say: "God made you. He knows everything about you."
Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Mention that God chose David to be the next king.
Say: "God knew about David, too. God knows about every person. God knows what I do and what I think. Psalm 139:2."

BUILD Jesse's HOUSE

Use interlocking or wooden blocks to build a house with your child. Talk about the Bible story. Mention that Samuel went to Jesse's house to choose the new king. Say: "Seven of Jesse's sons met Samuel, but none of them were chosen." Count aloud to 7. Build together and talk about David, the youngest son, who was chosen to be king.

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BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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CONVERSATION

God Chose David

BASED ON 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

WEEKLY VERSE: God knows what I do and what I think. *Psalms 139:2*

LIFE POINT: God knows about every person.



BABIES

God sent Samuel to Jesse's house to find the king God had chosen. Samuel saw seven of Jesse's sons. God said no to each one. Jesse called David in from caring for the sheep. Samuel said that God chose David to be the next king.

1s

God told Samuel to go to Bethlehem to find the next king God had chosen.

Samuel went to Jesse's house. Samuel saw seven of Jesse's sons. Each time, God told Samuel that son was not the next king.

Samuel asked if Jesse had any more sons. Jesse called for his youngest son, David, to come in from caring for the sheep.

Samuel saw David, and God said that he was the next king. Samuel named David as the next king.

2s

God told Samuel to go to Bethlehem to find the next king God had chosen. Samuel was afraid to go. God told him what to do. Samuel did what God said to do.

Samuel went to Jesse's house. Jesse had many sons. Samuel met seven of the sons. Each time, Samuel asked God if this was the next king. Each time God said no.

Samuel asked Jesse if he had any more sons. Jesse called his son who was watching the sheep to come.

Samuel looked at David. God told Samuel this was the son to be the next king. Samuel told David that he would be the next king.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story teaches that God knows about every person. God sent Samuel to Jesse's house to anoint one of his sons as the new king. God's choice was unexpected, but God knew that David's heart made him the right choice.

LIVE IT OUT

Review the Bible story with your child. Clap a rhythm as you repeat the verse together: "God knows what I do and what I think. Psalm 139:2."

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God made me.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: 1 Samuel 16:7

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Tuesday: Ephesians 2:4-5

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Friday: Jeremiah 29:11

Saturday: Proverbs 16:9

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VERSE

God knows what I do and what
I think. — Psalm 139:2

FIND the MATCH

God chose a king from Jesse's family. David was the youngest son, but God said, "He is the one."

DRAW A LINE from the pictures of Jesse's eight sons to their matching shadows.

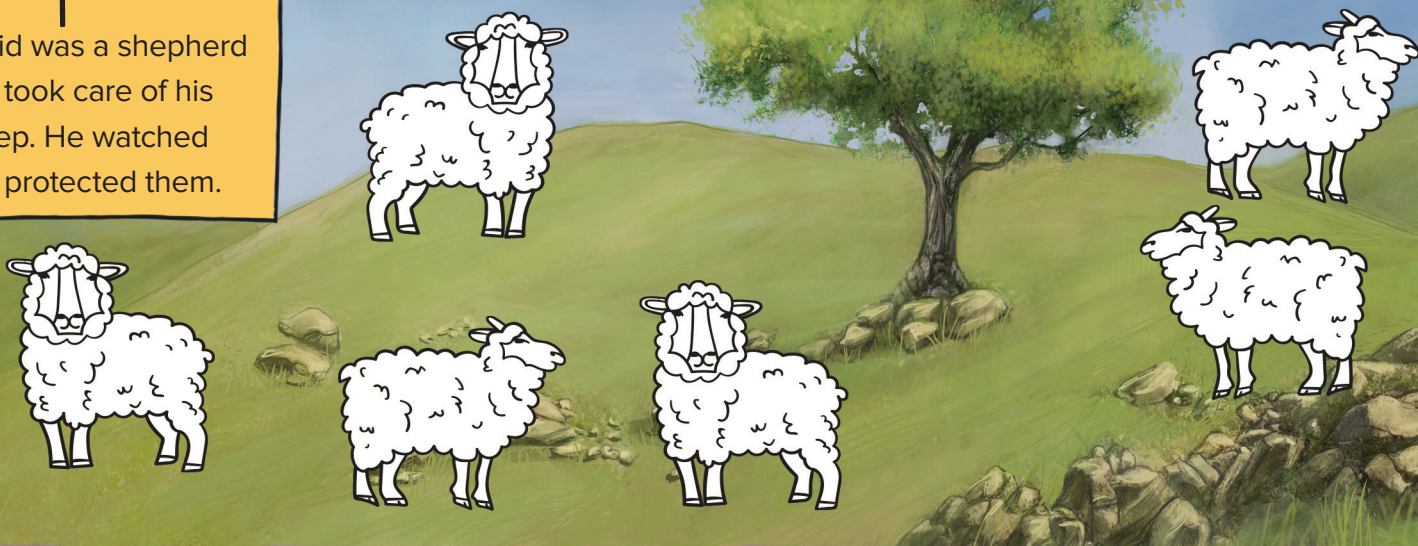


COUNT and COLOR the Sheep

David was a shepherd and took care of his sheep. He watched and protected them.

How many **SHEEP** can you find?

WRITE the **NUMBER** in the box.



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LIFE POINT: God knows about every person.

Samuel was a prophet. A prophet was a man who listened to God and told others God's message. One day God spoke to Samuel, "Go to Jesse's house in Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons as the new king." God told Samuel to ask Jesse to worship with him. God said he would tell Samuel what to do there.

Samuel traveled to Bethlehem. He invited Jesse and Jesse's sons to worship with him.

Samuel saw Jesse's oldest son. He thought this son was the new king. But God said, "He is not the one."

Samuel looked at seven of Jesse's sons. He said that God did not choose any of the seven. Samuel asked if Jesse had another son.

Jesse said, "My youngest son is taking care of the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him. We will wait until he comes."

The youngest son was David. He came to Samuel. God said, "He is the one."

Samuel poured oil on David. David would be the next king.



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LIVE IT OUT

Review the Bible story with your child. Say the Weekly Verse: "God knows what I do and what I think. Psalm 139:2." Clap a rhythm as you repeat the verse together.



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God knows everything about me.



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God KNOWS Best

Draw a simple symbol or picture that reminds you that God knows best. Inside the picture, place the first letters of the words *God knows what is best for people*.

VERSE

...The LORD doesn't see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.

-1 Samuel 16:7

God Sees Us

We learned that God sees what is important in all of us. Using your Bible, look up the verse to answer the fill-in-the-blank activity.

Proverbs 21:2

The LORD

_____ hearts.

1 Samuel 16:7

Humans see what is visible, but the LORD sees the _____.

Proverbs 3:5

_____ in the LORD with all of your heart.

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CONVERSATION

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1 SAMUEL 16

Saul was the king, but he had not obeyed God. Saul was no longer the man whom God wanted to be king. God told Samuel it was time to choose a new king.

God told Samuel to visit a man named Jesse in Bethlehem. Jesse had eight sons. God told Samuel that one of the sons would be Israel's new king. So Samuel went to Bethlehem. He invited Jesse and his family to a special sacrifice to worship God.

Samuel saw Jesse's oldest son, Eliab (ih LIGH ab). He was tall and handsome. Samuel thought Eliab was the one God had chosen to be the new king. But God said, "Do not judge him by how he looks. I have not chosen him. You cannot see what I see because I see the heart."

Jesse presented his next son, Abinadab (uh BIN uh dab), but Samuel said, "God has not chosen him." Jesse's third son, Shammah (SHAM uh), came to Samuel, but God had not chosen this son. One by one, Jesse brought seven sons to Samuel, but God did not choose any of them.

Samuel asked, "Are these all of your sons?"

Jesse answered, "My youngest son is caring for the sheep." Samuel sent for the boy.

When David arrived, God told Samuel, "This is the one!" Samuel took the horn of oil and poured oil on David, anointing him as king. God's Spirit was with David from that day on.

King Saul, who was still king for now, often had times when he was troubled. Saul's servants thought music might help him feel better. One servant suggested that David could play the harp for the king.

Saul sent a message to Jesse and told him to send David to the palace. David played his harp when Saul was troubled. Saul admired David, and he invited David to stay with him. David served Saul as his armor-bearer. David also played his harp for Saul.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: 1 Samuel 16:7

LIFE POINT: God knows what is best for people.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

This Bible story helped your child understand that God knows what is best for people. God knew what was in David's heart. God chose David, at a young age, to be the new king to replace Saul.



LIVE IT OUT

Read the Weekly Bible Verse, 1 Samuel 16:7, with your child. Then read Psalm 139:1-6. Remind your child that God knows her just as well as He knew David. Lead your child to draw a heart shape and fill it with prayers, asking God to help her love and obey Him.



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God is all-powerful and in control of all things.



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6 2 Chronicles 20:6	7 Ephesians 1:20	8 Matthew 16:19	9 2 Samuel 22:33	10 Jeremiah 10:12	11 Hebrews 1:3	12 Revelation 11:17
13 Romans 13:1	14 Hebrews 13:17	15 Proverbs 24:21	16 1 Timothy 2:2	17 Titus 3:1	18 Romans 13:6	19 1 Thessalonians 5:12
20 Ecclesiastes 12:14	21 Romans 6:23	22 1 Samuel 15:23	23 Proverbs 29:15	24 2 Peter 2:4	25 Hebrews 2:2	26 1 Samuel 12:15
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BIBLE READING PLAN

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