

BIG IDEA

God is with me.

GOD STORY

David, Jonathan, and Saul (1 Samuel 18-20)

KEY VERSE

The Lord is with me. I will not be afraid. (Psalm 118:6a, NIRV)

MUSIC

"Jesus Gives Us Peace" (The Meeting House Kids)

1 | Start

SUPPLIES

- Puzzle pieces
- Pictures of David, Jonathan, and Saul
- · Beanbag or similar item for tossing

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Guide your child to put together the puzzle.
- b. When the picture is revealed, explain that today's Bible story is about David, Jonathan, and Saul.
- c. Arrange their pictures on the floor.
- d. Stand a short distance away—adjust the distance according to the skill levels of your family members.
- e. Demonstrate how to toss a beanbag (or similar item) underhand.
- f. Take turns tossing it toward David's picture. See who can get the closest to it.
- g. To wrap up, explain that in today's story from the Bible, God was with David.
- h. Highlight the Big Idea: God is with me!

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

 Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Early Years playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

3 | Pray

SUPPLIES

- Coloured paper
- Scissors
- Writing supplies (e.g., pens, markers, etc.)
- Tape or stapler

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

 If you didn't already prepare a prayer chain or if you want to add chains, cut the paper into strips.

TIPS

- Keep the prayers to use each week.
- Consider colour-coding the prayers (e.g., use yellow strips for praises, green strips for requests, blue for needs, etc.).

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. If you have not already made a paper-chain prayer, encourage everyone in your family to write (or draw) their prayers and praises on the strips of paper.
- b. Loop the strips together and fasten them to create a paper chain. Depending on the number of prayers, assemble chains for each person or make one family chain.
- c. Remind the children that Jesus prays on our behalf, too.
- d. Hang the prayers in a spot where you'll see them and be reminded to pray.



4 | Craft

SUPPLIES

- David, Jonathan, and Saul activity page
- Glue
- Collage items
- Colouring supplies (e.g., crayons, markers, etc.)

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child an activity page and glue, as well as collage items and colouring supplies.
- b. Encourage them to decorate their picture however they wish (see sample photo below).
- c. Review today's story. Emphasize that God was with David when he was afraid. **God is with me** and with you, too!



5 | Key Verse

SUPPLIES

• Key Verse sign

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Slowly read aloud the Key Verse for this series, pointing to each of the words as you say them.
- b. Repeat Psalm 118:6 together in a variety of fun ways (e.g., whispering, shouting, as a squeaky mouse, gruffly, quickly, slowly, etc.).