

DAVID - 1 Samuel 17

Cast: Narrator, Jesse, David, Eliab, King Saul,
Goliath
Props: Shield, swords, spear, sling, 5 stones, bread,
cheese, popcorn

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Scene 1

NARRATOR:

Goliath steps out of the Philistine ranks to face the army of Israel. He is nearly 10 feet tall and wears bronze armour weighing 57 kilograms. His armour bearer walks in front of him carrying a shield.

GOLIATH: *I defy the army of Israel today!
Choose one man to come and fight me!*

Scene 2

NARRATOR:

Jesse is an old man with 8 sons and David is the youngest who looks after dad's sheep. The 3 oldest boys have joined the army.

JESSE: *Take this grain and bread to your brothers.
The cheese is for their captain.
See how they are getting on, then come and tell me.*

NARRATOR:

David leaves the sheep with another shepherd and sets out early next morning.

Scene 3

NARRATOR:

David arrives at the army camp just as it goes into battle.
He leaves his things at the supply depot and goes off to find his brothers.
He hears Goliath shouting and sees the scared soldiers running away from him.

DAVID: *Who is this guy who defies the armies of the living God?*

(Big brother) ELIAB:

What are you doing around here anyway?

What about those sheep you're supposed to be looking after?

You just want to see the battle!

DAVID: What have I done now?

I was only asking a question!

NARRATOR: The king heard about David and sent for him.

DAVID: *Don't worry about this guy - I'll fight him!*

KING SAUL: *Don't be ridiculous! You're only a boy and he's a veteran.*

DAVID: *I look after Dad's sheep and fight lions and bears to save the lambs. I'll give this guy the same treatment and God will rescue me from him.*

NARRATOR:

David tried out the king's armour but took it off again.

He picked 5 smooth stones from the creek and put them in his bag.

With only his stick and his sling he faced the Philistine.

GOLIATH: *Am I a dog? You've only got a stick!*

Come here and I'll feed you to the crows and dingoes!

DAVID: *You come to me with sword, spear and javelin.*

I come to you in the name of the Lord - the God of Israel's army that you have defied. The Lord is going to beat you and it's your army that is going to be fed to the crows and dingoes.

NARRATOR:

Goliath moved closer so David ran up to him. He took a stone out of his bag and hurled it with his sling, hitting the Philistine on the forehead. Goliath fell face down on the ground. David ran up and used Goliath's sword to finish him off.