

MAIN LESSON

BOTTOM LINE: I can trust that God is with me.

OBJECTIVE: Kids will learn that, “God loves me and I can trust him.”

KEY PASSAGE: 1 Samuel 16:1-13, Samuel Anoints David

WORSHIP TIME:

Prior to the lesson, sing one or two songs with the kids. Use CDs or live lyrics of songs that the kids are familiar with.

LESSON:

Today’s story comes to us from the Bible. *(Hold up a Bible.)* The Bible is God’s word to us, so we know that everything it says is true. *(Open the Bible and set it down in front of you as you give the lesson.)*

David was the greatest king that God’s people ever knew. His life didn’t begin so great though. But God was with David every step of the way and God is with you too.

We can trust God because God loves us.

Samuel was a prophet. He listened to God and he spoke the words of God to others. God told Samuel, “I love my people, and I am choosing a new king for them. Go to Jesse’s house and anoint the new king.”

Samuel obeyed God. He went to Jesse’s house. Jesse had many sons. Samuel looked at Jesse’s son, Eliab, and thought, “this must be the new king.” But God said “No.” Then Samuel looked at Abinadab, and thought, “this must be the king.” But God said “No.”

Samuel went through all seven sons that were there but none of them were who God had chosen to be king. Samuel asked Jesse, “Do you have any more sons?” Jesse said, “Just David. The youngest. He is out taking care of the sheep.” Samuel said, “Bring him here.”

When little David arrived, God told Samuel, “Anoint David. He will be the new king.” Samuel anointed David king. God loved David and had a special plan for him. It would be many years before David would get to sit on the throne as king of God’s people, but David trusted in God.

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Remember: God loves me and I can trust him.

SIMPLE PRAYER:

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for your love. We know we can trust in you; you want the best for us.

Amen