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# Lessons are prepared by Ledeta LeMariam Sunday School Alexandria, Virginia



In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God.

Amen.













#### Begin with the Lord's prayer

Our Lord and Savior, our King and God, we thank you for gathering us here to stand before you to call on your Holy Name.

Heavenly Father, teach us to trust You in everything we do.

Our God open our eyes, ears, hearts and minds that we may hear Your Word and transform (Change) our lives.

Bless all the children and keep them safe. Hear us when we humbly and thankfully pray to you.

Our Father, who art in heaven

Hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive those who trespass against us

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from the evil one

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the Glory. Forever, Amen.

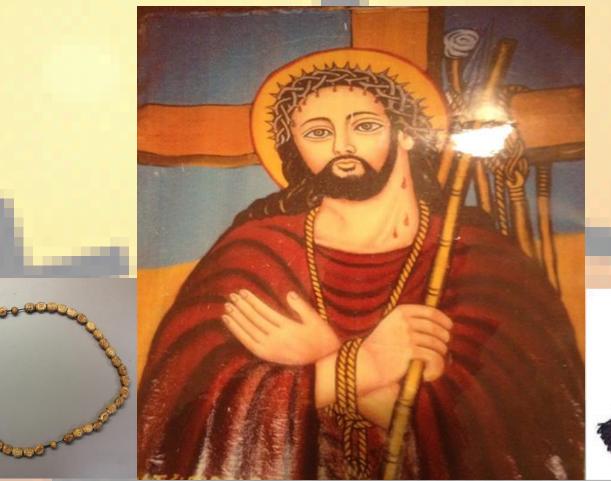
O our Lady, as St. Gabriel greeted you, "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you." True Virgin in conscience as well as body, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Holy Mary, the God-bearer, pray that your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, may forgive us our sins. Amen.



#### Say The Jesus Prayer 3 times

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.





#### Review

- 1. What foolish thing did King Saul do?
- a) He refused to fight the Philistines.
- b) He turned his back on God.
- 2. What helped Saul whenever the evil spirit tormented him?
- a) David playing beautiful music on his harp.
- b) Taking medicine and lying down for a while.
- 3. David believed that if God was with him no man could stand against him.
- a) True.
- b) False.

#### Review

- 4. David defeated the giant Goliath
- a) with good armour and a sharp sword.
- b) with a slingshot, a stone, and his faith in God.
- 5. King Saul became jealous of David because
- a) David became very rich.
- b) the people of Israel loved him and praised him.
- 6. On one occasion King Saul tried to kill David by throwing his spear at him.
- a) True.
- b) False.

#### Review

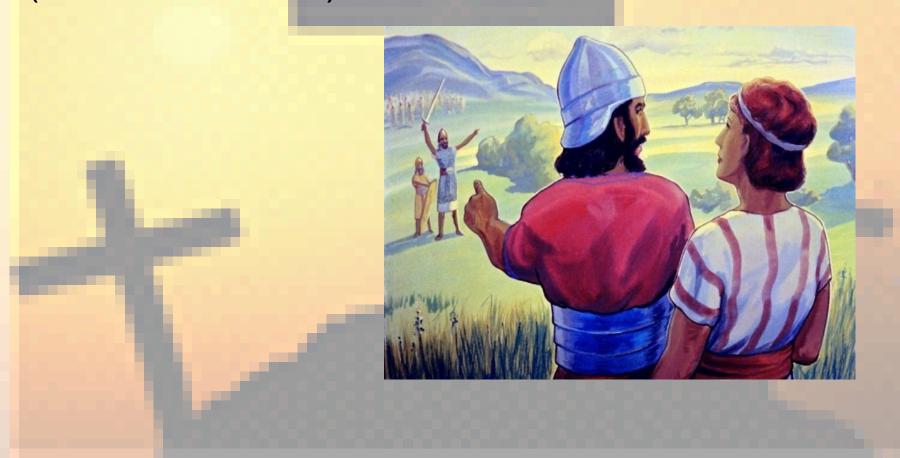
- 7. Where did David go to escape from King Saul?
- a) The wilderness.
- b) The city of Damascus.
- 8. David gathered an army of 3000 men to stand against the army of King Saul.
- a) True.
- b) False.
- 9. Instead of killing Saul when he came into their cave, David just cut off a part of Saul's robe.
- a) True.
- b) False.
- 10. Even though David had another chance to kill Saul he didn't do it because
- a) Saul was too strong for him.
- b) David only wanted to do what he felt the Lord would have him do.

## MEMORY VERSE

# Can anyone tell me last week's memory verse??

# Recite Last week's memory verse

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority" (Hebrews 13:17)



### Class Covenant

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#### David the King

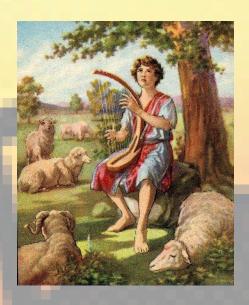


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#### Memory Verse

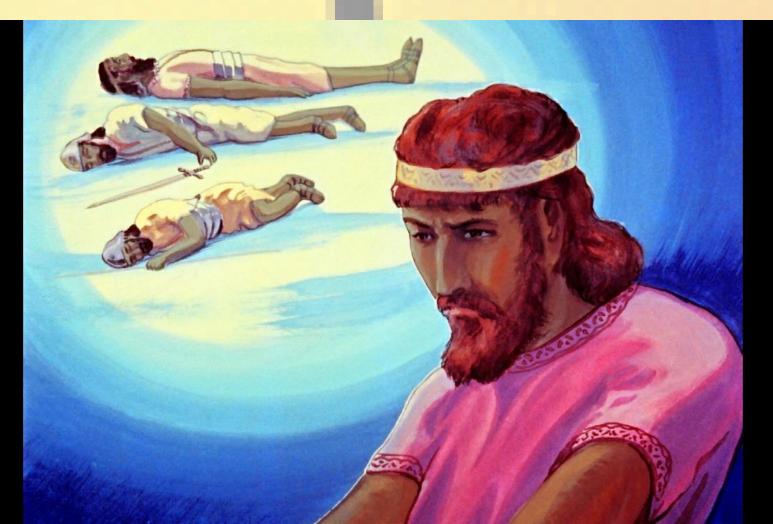
"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want"

(Psalm 23:1)

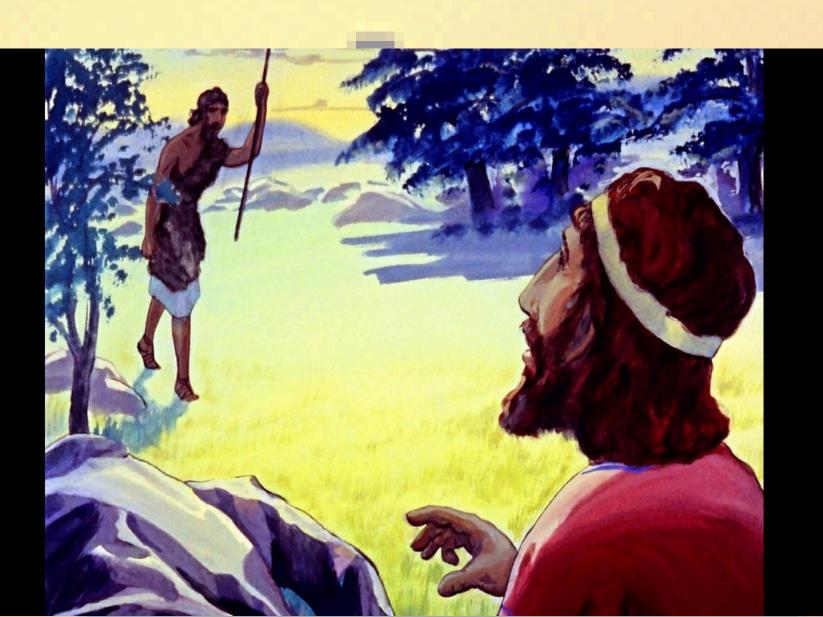




Saul chased David, but he never caught him. God watched over David. Then one day, David heard some sad news. King Saul and his son Prince Jonathan had died in battle.



The people remembered what God had told them, and they went to find David.



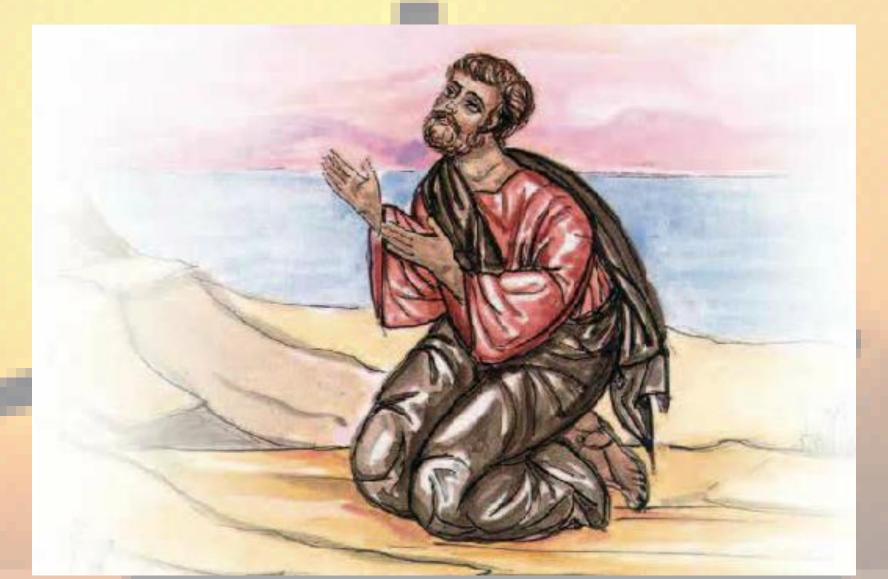
"David, you are now our King!" they exclaimed.



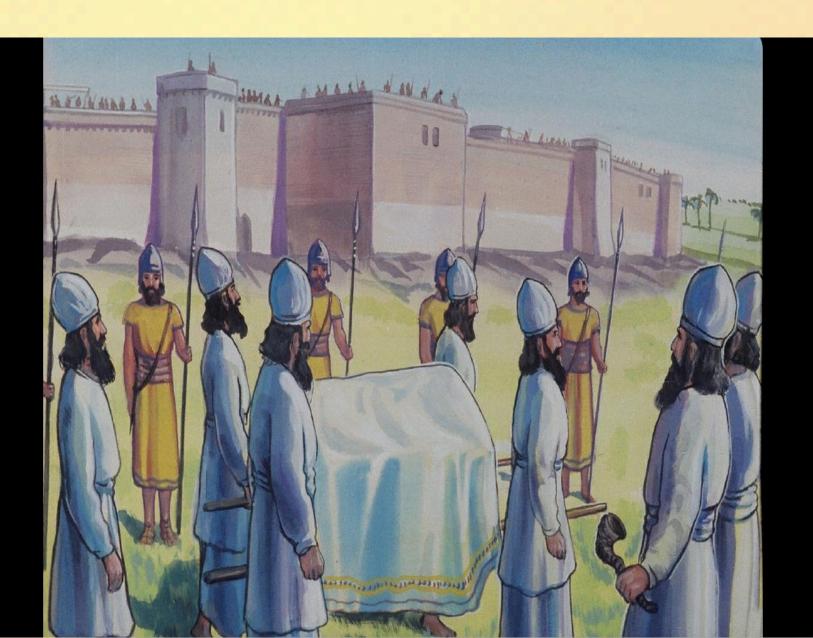
King David took over Jerusalem and made it his capital city and built a palace there. He was a powerful King, and he trusted God completely.



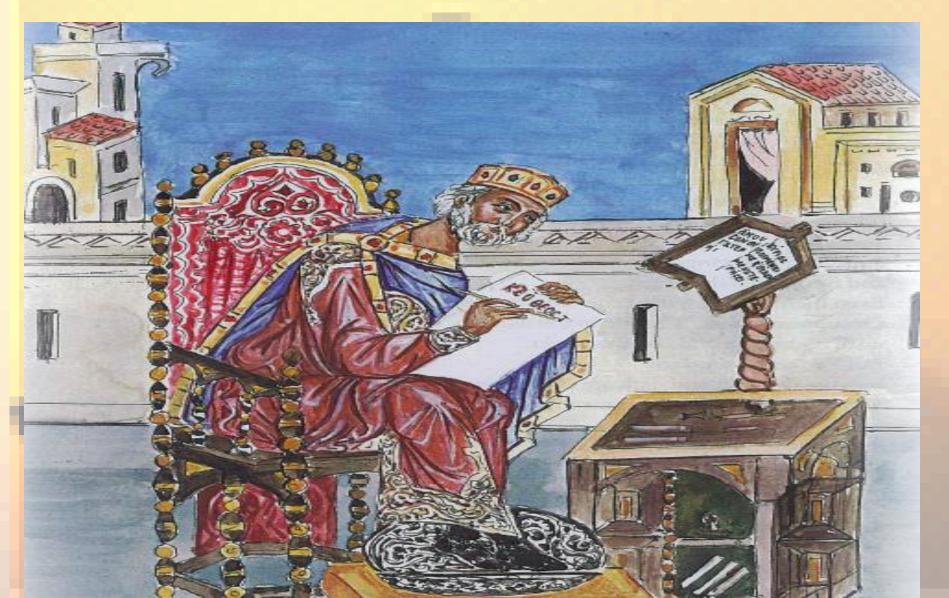
Everybody could see that David was chosen by God, and for this reason the people of Israel loved and honoured him.



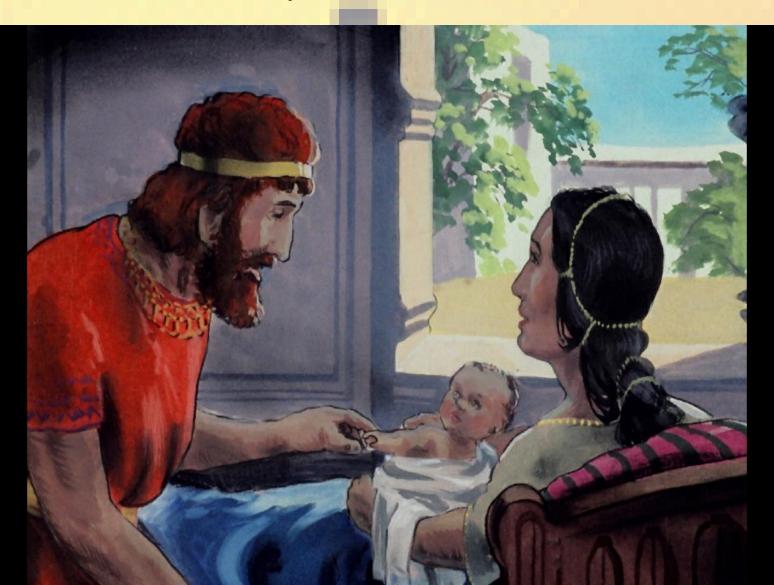
#### King David reinstalled the Ark of the Covenant.



King David ruled over Israel for 40 years. He wrote many songs about God, called psalms. He even had plans to build a temple for God. David was a man who was dear to God's heart.



When King David was old, he told his son Solomon, "You will be the next king of Israel. Be strong and obey God with all your heart. Then he will bless you.



#### David's Psalms

The Lord is My Shepherd Psalm 23

This is one of King David's songs about God:

The Lord is my shepherd.

He gives me everything I need.

He lets me lie down in fields of green grass.

He leads me beside quiet waters.

He gives me new strength.

He guides me in the right paths for the honor of His name.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid.

You, God, are with me. Your shepherd's rod and staff comfort me.

You prepare a feast for me right in front of my enemies.

You pour oil on my head. My cup runs over.

I am sure that your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life.

And I will live in the house of the Lord forever.

#### David's Psalms

#### Psalm 139

Lord, You know everything about me.

You have looked deep into my heart, Lord, and You know all about me.

You know when I am resting or when I am working.

Before I even speak a word, You know what I will say, and with Your powerful arm You protect me from every side.

Where could I go to escape from Your Spirit or from Your sight?

If I were to climb up to the highest heavens, You would be there.

Suppose I had wings like the dawning day and flew across the ocean.

Even then Your powerful arm would guide and protect me.

Or suppose I said, "I will be in the dark until night comes to cover me over."

But you see in the dark because daylight and dark are all the same to You.

You are the One who put me together inside my mother's body, and I praise You because of the wonderful way You created me.

Everything You do is marvelous! Of this I have no doubt. Look deep into my heart, God, and find out everything I am thinking. Don't let me follow evil ways, but lead me in the way that time has proven true.

#### Conclusion

King David always put God before him.

When he sinned against God, he quickly repented of his sins and ask God for forgiveness.

Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is a descendant of King David. That is why He was called Son of David in the Gospel.

#### Movie Clip

Show a short movie clip about the story, if available.

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# 3 things we all can do to strengthen our relationship with God

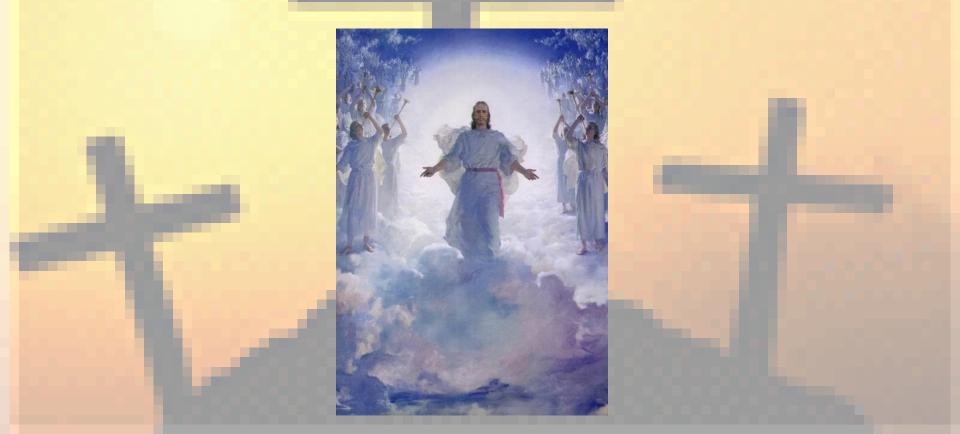
1. Read the Holy Bible daily preferably when we get up in the morning. 5 minutes to start.

2. Partake Holy Communion regularly.

3. Remember God throughout the day. We can repeat short prayer such as "Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on me."

#### JESUS CHRIST

 "For there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12)





"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32 Any question?

Close with prayer.

