LESSON 4: THE HOLY SPIRIT in the life of DAVID

AIM: To show that the Holy Spirit brings power into the lives of ordinary people and enables them to do extraordinary things for God.

OPENING IDEA: Game—David and Goliath
How to play:
1. One child is chosen to be David and one is chosen to be Goliath.
2. The other children join hands and form a circle. David is in the centre and Goliath is on the outside.
3. The players forming the circle do everything they can to keep Goliath from catching David.
4. If Goliath does get into the circle, the children let David out and try to keep Goliath inside.
5. They must keep their hands joined at all times.
6. If Goliath catches David, the two join the circle and others take their place.

MEMORY VERSE: "But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power..." (Acts 1:8)

STORY: DAVID AND GOLIATH (1 Samuel 17)
Main points:
1. The Philistines were the Israelites’ enemy. The Israelites were God’s chosen people.
2. Both armies were set on a mountain facing each other, ready for battle.
3. The Philistines had a giant called Goliath in their ranks (vv.4-7)
4. Goliath challenged the Israelites to send a man to fight him.
5. King Saul and all his Israeli soldiers were afraid.
6. David, a young shepherd boy of about 12 years, offered to fight Goliath because of his faith in God (v.37)
7. David refused to wear any armour.
8. David took five pebbles out of the riverbed and used one in his sling to kill the giant.
Decode the numbers above and read what God says believers will receive from the Holy Spirit.
The king offered David his own armour, but David refused. He knew his protection and strength came from the Spirit of God within him. That was his 'inner armour'.

David was a twelve year old shepherd boy when God’s people, the Israelites, were at war with the Philistines. Israel’s king and all his soldiers were afraid of the Philistines and their giant, Goliath.

David had been anointed with oil by the prophet, Samuel, as a sign that he would be Israel’s king. From that day on the Spirit of the Lord was upon him in power.

David took five pebbles from the river bed, put one in his sling, and with faith in God, he fought Goliath and won. The Holy Spirit gave him the faith and power to be strong in the face of the enemy.
Join up the dots. What did young David defeat the giant Goliath with? (It's in his left hand.)

You can find this story in 1 Samuel chapter 17, verses 41-51.
Find your way through the maze and finish this sentence:

David went to fight Goliath with a sling and five _ _ _ _ _ _ .

DAVID DEFEATED GOLIATH WITH FAITH IN GOD
BIBLE QUIZ

1. What is the name of God's Son?
2. Finish this sentence about the Trinity: One God, ______ ______.
3. Who are the 3 people in the Godhead?
4. The Bible says the Holy Spirit is like ..... (fire, wind, water, oil, dove, teacher).
5. What do we celebrate at Christmas?
6. What do we celebrate at Easter?
7. What do we do to try and work out our salvation? (works, education, religion)
8. When Jesus was baptized, John said we need to do 3 things to get our hearts ready for Jesus' return. What are they? (share, don't tell lies, be fair and honest).
9. What was the name of the boy who fought the giant?
10. What was the name of the giant?
11. What did David use to defeat the giant?
12. How tall was the giant?
13. What was the name of David's king?
14. What animals had David fought while protecting his sheep?
15. What musical instrument did David play?
16. What is the book in the Bible with David's songs in it?
17. What did Jesus promise when He rose again and went back to heaven?
18. How did Jesus die?
19. What must we do to know God?
20. When we talk to God, what do we do?
21. Name three books in the Bible?
22. Why did Jesus die on the cross if He was sinless?
23. What special thing happened when Jesus was baptized?
24. How do you spell: heaven ..... Jesus ..... Enemy ..... salvation ..... God ..... Sin ..... Faith ..... Love ..... Peace ..... truth ..... Obey ..... hell ..... lion ..... Bear ...
25. Name the first book of the Bible.
27. The Bible is made up of two parts. What are they?