10 MUST KNOW BIBLE STORIES

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David and Goliath

First Level - Session 1

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SCOTTISH BIBLE SOCIETY

Session 1 - Hear and Explore the Story

Experiences and Outcomes	Benchmarks
Through exploring Bible stories, I can describe some beliefs Christians have about God and Jesus. **RME 1-01a**	Describes, discusses and expresses an opinion with at least one reason on at least one belief from Christianity.
By exploring some places and investigating artefacts, I am developing my knowledge of Christian beliefs and my awareness of the role of Christianity in Scottish society and the world. **RME 1-01b**	Describes and discusses at least one personal belief and at least one example of how own beliefs might affect actions.
I can talk about my own beliefs or express them in other ways. **RME 1-01c**	
Having explored biblical and other Christian stories, I can show my developing understanding of key values of Christianity and how they might be put into action in people's lives and communities. **RME 1-02a**	Describes and discusses at least one value from Christianity, illustrating how this value could be put into practise.
I can describe the key features of the values of Christianity which are expressed in the stories. **RME 1-02b**	Describes and discusses at least one personal value and at least one example of how own values might affect actions.
I am developing respect for others and my understanding of their beliefs and values. **RME 1-07a**	

Suggested Learning Intentions

- Children will become familiar with the Biblical account of David and Goliath.
- Children will have the opportunity to hear and explore a Christian story.
- Children will explore Christian belief by considering the character of God.

Suggested Success Criteria

- I can tell you the story of David and Goliath is found in the Bible and tell you it's a special book for Christians.
- I can demonstrate my knowledge and understanding by sequencing pictures from the story.
- I can ask and answer questions on a story from the Bible.
- I can share my knowledge of Christian belief by telling you three things about God from this story.

Resources Required for this Session

Children's Bible.

Story Script and props (see additional resources) or 'David and Goliath' PowerPoint. (downloadable at bibleworld.co.uk/resources)

Picture cards from the story to sequence (use the images found in 'David and Goliath' PowerPoint and print 2 slides to a page)

Yes/No Quiz questions (see additional resources)

Key Points from the Story

Christians believe that

- The story of David is in a special book called the Bible.
- God sends David to save his people.
- God helps his people.
- God is powerful.
- God rescues his people.

Notes

- Please remember that it is the intention that this learning is extended into other curricular areas as described in the introductory document.
- Suggested amounts of time per activity have been included. This is a guideline.

Activity

1. Show the children a children's bible and tell them you're going to tell them a story from it. Then ask:

   Q: Who can tell me the name of this book?

   A: The Bible

   Let's all say that together. 'Bible'

   Q: Does anyone know what we call people who believe the Bible is a special book?

   A: Christians

   Let's all say that together 'Christians'

   Q: Does anyone know why Christians think this is a special book?

   Accept answers and then affirm/give answers. They might be:

   Christians believe that God and Jesus exist and the Bible is about them. They can learn more about God and Jesus by reading it.

   They believe it's true.

   They believe that God wrote/inspired it.

   They believe that God speaks to them through it.

   They believe it helps them know what God wants them to do.

   Our story today is from the Bible. It will help us understand more about what Christians believe. **5 minutes**

2. Tell them the story of David and Goliath. Encourage the children to act out the story as you tell it. There is a story script in the additional resources. Alternatively download the PowerPoint 'David and Goliath' (at bibleworld.co.uk/resources) to help you tell the story. **10-15 minutes**

3. Discuss the story together. What was their favourite part? What do they think is the most important part? **5 minutes**

4. Split into groups and give each group a set of pictures from the story. Ask them to work as a team to put the pictures into the right order and retell the story. If you're outdoors you can provide them with pegs and washing lines (or thin branches or wire fences). You can download the 'David and Goliath' PowerPoint of pictures from the Scottish Bible Society that will work well for sequencing. **10 minutes**

5. Create the story. This works well outdoors. Ask the children to use what they can find to make or find

    a. 5 round stones

    b. Something 9 feet long

    c. A crown

    d. A packed lunch

    e. A sheep

    10-15 minutes

6. Allow the children to read the story for themselves in a children's Bible. 10 minutes

7. What is God like? Bring the children back together and ask them to brainstorm together what this story has helped them discover about the Christian God. Ask them the questions; What is God like in this story? What did God do in the story? Create a mindmap together. 5-10 minutes

8. Quiz. Ask the children some yes/no answer questions. If they think the answer is yes they should touch their head. If they think it is no they should touch their toes. If you are outdoors they could run to certain points for yes and no. Quiz questions can be found in the additional resources. Older children could be split into two teams and encouraged to write their own questions to ask the other team. 5-10 minutes