



Family Worship Experience

— READ THE SCRIPTURE —

DAVID PLAYED FOR SAUL



Watch the Bible story video or read all or parts of 1 Samuel 16:14-23 from the Bible.



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- TALK ABOUT THE SCRIPTURE -

Have you ever heard of a lyre? No, not like the person who doesn't tell the truth. The lyre is a stringed musical instrument with a distinctive horseshoe shape. In Bible times, lyres came in many different sizes, and they were commonly used to put music to poetry and storytelling. The lyre led to the creation of more well known instruments like the harp, lute, and even the modern guitar.

After God's Spirit left Saul, he was troubled and distressed. His servants thought that some beautiful music might help calm him down. So, they went looking for someone who could play the lyre, and they found David.

Even though David had already been chosen by God to be the next king, David didn't act proud or say, "I'm too important to help!" Instead, he showed humility. He served King Saul by playing the lyre whenever Saul felt troubled. David's music helped Saul feel peaceful again.

David's willingness to play music for Saul, even though he had been chosen by God to be the next king, shows great humility. David didn't think about how great he was or how he was going to be king one day. Instead, he wanted to help and serve Saul. Jesus is the greatest example of humility. He left His throne in heaven to come serve those who needed forgiveness and salvation only He can provide. That's music to our ears!

Even though David knew he would be king one day, he served King Saul faithfully. Even though Jesus is God, He humbled Himself and took the form of a servant. He served His disciples by washing their feet, and He served His people by dying on a cross for their sin and rising again.

***Pray:** God, thank You for showing us how to be humble through the story of David and even more through the life of Jesus. Help us remember that serving others is more important than being the best or most important. Teach us to love and serve others the way Jesus has loved and served us. Amen.*



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LEARN SCRIPTURE

The key passage below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.



**The LORD has established
his throne in heaven, and his
kingdom rules over all.**

Psalms 103:19



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SING SCRIPTURE

Finish your family worship experience by playing the Key Passage song to worship and as a further way to memorize Scripture.



Family Prayer Time

Mornings

Ask God to help you serve others with grace and selflessness, just as Jesus did. Ask Him to show you the joy of putting others before yourself. What are some ways you can put others before yourself today?

Evenings

Thank Jesus for the countless ways He has served us. Thank Him for coming to walk among us, teach us, and ultimately give His life to save us. How does Jesus' love and service to you motivate you to love and serve others?



Family Activities

For Fun

Lead each family member to write down several acts of kindness or service they can do for others. These can be simple tasks like helping a sibling with their homework, writing a thank you note to a neighbor, or volunteering to help with dinner. Fold the papers and place them in a jar or can. Each day, draw one act of kindness from the jar. Make it a family event where everyone participates in completing the chosen task. After completing each act, gather as a family to discuss how it felt to serve others and how it might have impacted them.

To Serve

Make a list of items to put in a care package for a neighbor. Go shopping as a family to purchase the items and make the care packages. Encourage each family member to write a heartfelt note or card to include in the packages. Distribute the care package to your neighbor by delivering it personally or leaving it at doorstep. Talk as a family about how it feels to serve others and do something that will brighten their day.