

# Bringing Home THE Story . . .



## David, the Singing Shepherd

1 Samuel 16

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Psalm 23

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### OPENING PRAYER

To be read by an adult or older child

Dear Father, help use music to teach us, to make us joyful, and to calm down our troubled souls.

In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

### SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD

It's good for a parent to ask the child the question AFTER they share THEIR own answer . . .

What makes YOU sad?

How does music help YOU feel better when you're sad?

What are some of YOUR favorite Jesus/Bible songs?

How does music help teach you about God?

The Lord is YOUR Shepherd - how does that bring you comfort?  
Joy? Peace?

### WHAT WAS THIS STORY ABOUT?

**DAVID** was chosen by the Lord to be the next king even though he was the youngest in his family (a theme that runs through the Scriptures). Saul, the current king, wasn't too keen on following the Lord, and so the Lord sent him a troubling spirit - causing Saul great unrest. The solution? Find a musician!

David was an impressive guy:

- he was chosen by God to be king,
- he was a very good musician, and
  - he was a mighty warrior

David went on to write about half of the book of Psalms. The Psalms are Israel's Hymn book . . .

**LIFE APPLICATION:** David's Psalms are especially helpful for tough times. They are transparent in their honest confession of doubt, fear and sin. They also comfort, inspire and strengthen by reminding us of God's faithful promises. A Psalm-a-Day is good for the soul!

### CLOSING PRAYER

Echo Prayer (Parent says a line and the children repeat it)

Dear Father	Dear Father
thank You for music:	thank You for music:
it helps me when I'm sad	it helps me when I'm sad
and helps me worship You	and helps me worship You
In Jesus' name	In Jesus' name
Amen	Amen