

*Use the following thoughts and questions to have one spiritual conversation. You can pick and choose, use them all or just allow the statement to be your guide. The emphasis shouldn't be about having all the answers, but simply having a conversation.*

**Scripture**

1 Samuel 16:1-13; 17:20-26,33-37,45-51

## 1. Opening Statement

*Begin your conversation by asking about this main point:*

**God is looking for a king who reflects His heart and will fight for His people.**

This main point is the biblical truth the student's study was built around. Each week there will be one statement that ties the whole study together. These would be great statements to remember together. The hope is that thoughts and ideas will stem from these statements. You can also begin by sharing a thought of your own that you learned during your study of the same session. Ask what thoughts were surprising as the study was taught.

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## 2. Thought From the Study

David wasn't affected by the discouragement of people around him. He was the anointed king and he trusted in God's power. Besides, he had done his real training in the pasture, and compared to a lion or a bear, Goliath was not terribly impressive.

► **How is the truth that "God looks at the heart" both bad news and good news for you?**

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## 3. Quote for Discussion

*Discuss this quote together. How does this change your understanding of a relationship with Jesus?*

**"The text calls us not to admire David the man and no more, but to ponder what the Spirit of God may do with one person." – D. A. Carson**

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## 4. Conversation Questions

*Use these questions to begin thinking through and applying the lessons to your family life:*

- 1. What are some expectations our family holds for Christian leaders? How can we better pray for those leaders?**
- 2. In what ways are we sometimes guilty of judging by appearance? As a family, how can we guard against this?**
- 3. What does this familiar story teach our family about the type of people God wants to mold us into as His followers?**
- 4. How can we pray for and support each other as we make changes in our lives?**