

The Story of David

David, God's Chosen King | from 1 Samuel 16

As one of God's prophets, or messengers, Samuel kept on listening to God and telling people what God said. One day God told him, "Go to the little town of Bethlehem. You'll find a man there named Jesse. One of his sons will be My new choice for Israel's king. I will tell you which one when you meet them."

One by one, Jesse brought his sons to Samuel. The first was handsome. The next looked strong. *Surely one of these will be king*, Samuel thought.

But God said, "No. Looks do not matter to Me. I see what is in a man's heart."



Jesse brought five more sons to Samuel, and God said, "No, no, no, no, and no!"

"Is that all of them?" Samuel asked.

"David, my youngest and smallest boy, is watching the sheep," Jesse said.

Samuel asked to meet him. In spite of his size, David was bright-eyed, handsome, and strong.

"He is the one!" God said.

Many years later, another king would come from Bethlehem. He would be from David's family line. He is the King of all kings—Jesus Christ.

