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BIBLE ADVENTURES SCRIPT:

**A1487 ~ David and Goliath.**

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*Welcome to Bible Adventures. Help for today. Hope for tomorrow. Jesus is Lord of all.*

A woman expecting a baby told a doctor she met that she planned to destroy it. The doctor counselled her on the value God places on human life and advised her not to do it. As the woman was not his patient, the doctor never saw her again. Around five years later, the doctor received a letter of thanks and a photo of a beautiful looking boy. The mother was the same woman and very glad she had not applied a quick-fix solution to her problems at the time. Quick-fix solutions in life sometimes have long term consequences, as King Saul found out.

Since his disobedience and the departure of God's Spirit from him, Saul fell into periods of depression. The negative thoughts in his mind troubled him so much that his court advisors thought he would become insane. They looked for solutions and tried the sounds of soothing music played by none other than the young man David, who had been anointed to be the next king.

Some types of music can bring great delight but others can destroy a person's outlook in life. Those who listen to lots of loud rock music can ruin their lives in two ways – first they cause their ears to go deaf and also, anti-God lyrics listened to over and over again will change the way these people think, even if they deny this. It is not until the person gives his or her life to the control of the Lord Jesus Christ that this understanding and discernment comes. Then, in honour of the Lord, they throw away their worldly, anti-God music CDs.

Guarding our thoughts is very important for those who love the Lord Jesus. Temptation comes to our minds first. When tempted, the Lord Jesus used Scripture verses to repel Satan's attacks. This is why Christian people learn verses from the Bible so they can have a quick answer in the hour of temptation. If great sadness or dark moods overtake us, we should follow the Apostle Paul's words in the Bible book of Philippians, Chapter 4: "Fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise: things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and honourable."

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The story of David and Goliath is found in the Bible book of 1 Samuel Chapter 17 and is very well known. David, as shepherd in charge of his flock of sheep, had practised using his sling until it was an accurate weapon in his hands. When sent to the battlefield with food for his three older brothers, David's questions about Goliath irritated his eldest brother, Eliab. Eliab may have been very jealous of David, for Eliab was the oldest son and for many years, considered himself to be the most important of the eight brothers. That was, of course, until Samuel anointed David to be the next king of Israel.

Even though Saul stood head and shoulders above everyone else, he was not big enough to meet the 10-foot tall Philistine warrior Goliath. Saul was losing strength and had no plan of attack for this battle with the Philistines.

Although David had played his music to King Saul back in the palace, Saul did not recognize him at the battlefield. When David said he would fight Goliath, at first Saul refused to consent. David convinced him, however, that he could do it in God's name.

Saul then wanted David to use his own heavy armour. David ignored this as if it were an obstacle put in his way and instead, keep trusting God to give him victory. David had to do God's work in faith, which was the way God wanted him to do it.

Goliath would have looked a fierce opponent with his oversized equipment and armour protection. He was so proud and confident of success. Never for a moment did he think his death was only a few moment away. He shouted defiance at the Israeli people and their God. But God resists the proud and pours contempt on those who defy Him and His people. No one who ever hardened his heart against God has ever prospered long term.

Until David stepped out in faith to fight the giant, the Israeli soldiers were fearful of Goliath's taunts and threats. The killing of Goliath, however, brought glory to God and recognition to David. Both Saul and David were not trained soldiers when they started out in warfare. Instead, faith in God proved more important for succeeding in a task than either considerable talent or extensive training. David's actions lifted Saul's army out of the depressing standoff and a constant fear of possible defeat to a clear victory and rejoicing.

One of the chief causes of depression is concealing a sin and feeling guilty about it. In the Bible book Proverbs, Chapter 28, we are taught: "You will never succeed in life if you try to hide your sins. Confess them and give them up; then God will show mercy to you. Always obey the Lord and you will be happy. If you are stubborn, you will be ruined." We may experience tough times but we can avoid depression. Think of what the Apostle Paul went through. He looked to God to sustain him in his troubles and depression never took hold of him.

A pastor in the 19<sup>th</sup> century visited a woman in a poor part of the city. She was so depressed she asked the pastor what could she do. The pastor advised her to take all her sorrows to Jesus and tell Him. Her face lit up. “That’s it! I must tell Jesus.” On the way home the pastor thought about the woman’s response. He wrote a poem, “I must tell Jesus. I must tell Jesus. I cannot bear my burdens alone. Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.” These words became a much loved hymn that’s been sung ever since.

Have you tried to sort out your own life’s problems but seemed to be going around in circles?

The Lord Jesus will help you if only you would ask Him. Cry out for His forgiveness and His guidance. No one will ever help you like the Lord Jesus Christ!

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That was Tony Sutherland singing “As far as the East.”

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