

**3s/4s****NOVEMBER 15, 2026****KEY QUESTION:****WHO LOVES ME NO MATTER WHAT?****BIG IDEA:****GOD LOVES ME NO MATTER WHAT.****VERSE OF THE MONTH:****“NOTHING... CAN EVER SEPARATE US FROM GOD’S LOVE.” ROMANS 8:39****BIBLE STORY:****DAVID AND GOLIATH – 1 SAMUEL 17:1-50****OVERVIEW****Centers****Large Group****Circle Time****Table Time****Play Time**

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## FLOOR CENTER

### KNOCK IT DOWN

*During this activity, the children will be knocking down bowling pins. Today we will hear how David knocked down Goliath.*

#### Supplies:

1. Toy bowling set
2. Painter's tape

#### How-To:

1. Set up the bowling pins and tape a line on the floor a few feet away from the pins.
2. Encourage each child to stand on the line when it's their turn to roll the ball.
3. Give each child a turn to roll the ball and try to knock down all the pins. Then ask the child to help you reset the pins for the next person.

#### Say This:

##### **Before the Activity:**

Has anyone ever been bowling? *(Let children respond.)* In this game, you will roll this ball toward the pins and try to knock them down. It's really fun! Who would like to go first? *(Select a child to go first.)* Stand here, roll the ball, and knock down those pins. Way to go! Now can you help me reset them for the next person?

##### **After the Activity:**

Today we're going to hear about something really BIG that was knocked down! I wonder what it could be!

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## CIRCLE TIME

### What You Need:

1. Bible
2. Stickers

### Say This:

*Prompt the children to remember what they learned in The Playhouse. Celebrate when they remember!*

- David and God's people were fighting against an army that had a big (*giant*).
- The giant's name was (*Goliath*).
- David fought Goliath and won with a slingshot and one (*stone*).
- God loved David no matter what, and God loves me no matter (*what*).

### Practice the Verse:

*Open the Bible to remind the children that our verse comes from the Bible.*

Are you ready to practice our Bible verse? (*Let children respond.*) Okay, let's all say it together.

"Nothing can ever separate us (*make "X" arms and swipe down twice*) from God's (*point up*) love (*hug self*)" Romans 8:39. (*Open hands like a book.*)

Now, who wants to try saying it by yourself? (*Reward each child with a sticker for saying the verse.*)

### Talk About It:

David knew that God loved him no matter what and that he would be with him when he had to do something hard like fight Goliath. Can you think of a time when you had to do something hard? (*Help the children think of times when they had to do something hard. Examples might include meeting new friends or learning to ride a bike.*)

Let's pray and thank God that he loves us no matter what and that he's with us when we have to do something hard.

### Pray:

Dear God, thank you that you are with us when we have to do hard things like (*talk about the things you discussed*). Help us remember that you love us no matter what. We love you, God. Amen.

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## TABLE TIME

### HEART HAT

#### Supplies:

1. “Heart Hat” Activity Page (1 label per child, printed on OL196 labels)
2. “Heart Hat – Stickers” Activity Page (multiple sheets, printed on OL240 labels)
3. Sentence strips (1 per child, 3" x 24", white)
4. Die-cut hearts (4 per child, 2", various colors)
5. Crayons
6. Glue sticks
7. Stapler

#### How-To:

1. Give each child a sentence strip.
2. Place the “Heart Hat – Label” in the middle of their sentence strip.
3. Allow them to decorate their sentence strip with crayons, heart stickers, and die-cut hearts.
4. Measure the sentence strip to each child’s head and staple the ends together to create a hat.

#### Say This:

##### **Before the Activity:**

Today we learned that God loved David and took care of him, even when he to do something hard. God loves us and takes care of us too! God loves you no matter what, and [Big Idea] God loves me no matter what! [Key Question] Who loves me no matter what? [Big Idea] God loves me no matter what! Let’s make a fun hat to help us remember that!

##### **During the Activity:**

First, let’s decorate these paper strips. I’ll give you a special heart sticker to put in the middle of your paper that says, [Big Idea] “God loves me no matter what!” Then, you can color it with crayons and decorate with heart stickers. You can glue on these hearts, too! (*Hold up die-cut hearts.*) When you’re finished decorating, we’ll help you tape the paper together to make a hat that you can wear! (*Assist children with decorating and assembling their hats.*)

##### **After the Activity:**

I love the way you all decorated your hats! Wear them home, and remember that God loves you!