I am CHosen

(I am incredible series)

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16

Memory Verse:
1 Samuel 16 v 7 “Don’t judge by his appearance or height, for I have rejected him. The Lord doesn’t see things the way you see them.” **People judge by the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.**

Key Thought:
I am chosen and God desires for me to choose Him!

Activity Suggestion:
Get out the dressing up clothes, and asks your kids to create the best disguise that they can. As they play – emphasise that ‘It doesn’t matter what you look like on the outside – God looks at the inside.’

Craft Idea: David’s Harp

Use the stencil page to cut out a harp out of card board.

Attach pieces of string (or elastic bands if you want a more ‘musical’ instrument) to the back of the cardboard cut out with glue/tape.

Alternatively, cut tiny holes in the outline of the harp, and tie the string in place!

Don’t forget to decorate your harp to make it look worth of being used in the presence of a King!

Other Useful Links:
1 Samuel 16 (watch first 2 mins) :
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OnNXbj6udy4
Object lesson: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74Y1p7gbreo
Action song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OzsoOy7YMWY
Fun little song based on this weeks memory verse: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Buyb8NZ518
**Discussion Questions:**

**Why did God choose David?**

Acts 13:22 “After removing Saul, He made David their king. God testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after My own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.’”  *What does it mean to be ‘a man after [God’s] own heart’?*

**How can we be like David in our own lives?**

When God looks at our hearts, he notices things that we do that show that we love Him and that we love others.  *What ways can we show that we love God and that we love our friends and family?* Why not write some of these down and stick them up round the house to encourage each other this week!

**Possible Prayer Points:**

- We can praise God that he cares more for our hearts than our outward appearance.
- We can thank God that he has a purpose for our lives even when we’re young!
- We can ask God to help us to be more like him, not judging others by their outward appearance, asking God to help us have hearts that will brings God joy.
ACROSS

4. Distance from the top to the bottom of something; how tall someone is
5. Strength, energy, or force
7. The way people seem to be, rather than how they are inside
8. To make someone holy by pouring oil on their head
9. The Prophet that God instructed to go Jesse's house in search of the new king

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1. A man who rules a country
2. Males who have the same parents as another person; male siblings
3. The number of sons Jesse had in addition to David
4. The center of a person's emotions or the organ that pumps blood through the body
6. The one that God chose to replace Saul as king

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Chosen by God

This rhyme tells the story of how David became king, but all the rhyming words are missing! Choose a word from the word list that will help each line make sense. When you are finished, read the poem out loud together.

God said, “Samuel, I have chosen one to take the place of _______. He has disappointed me and can’t be king at _______.”

“Go to Bethlehem to see all eight of Jesse’s _______. When the new king stands before you, I’ll say, ‘Samuel, he’s the _______.’”

Samuel looked at seven boys but let them each _______. “You’re judging by their looks,” said God, but I judge by the _______.

The last of Jesse’s boys was David, a brave, young shepherd _______. The Lord said, “Go! Anoint him, for he will bring you _______.”

Samuel anointed David—he would later be the _______. When God gives us a job to do, it is a splendid _______.

The LORD looks at the HEART.