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## David, son of Jesse

David was a very special man. He was the youngest son of a man named Jesse. As a shepherd, it was David's job to protect his father's sheep from attacks by wolves. He most likely used a slingshot to do this. The slingshot was a patch of leather or cloth that had two braided cords on each end. The shepherd would place a smooth pebble in the patch and twirl the slingshot around his head. When he let go of one of the cords, the pebble would fly through the air like a deadly bullet. David probably developed a strong arm and a good eye using his slingshot to defend his father's animals. This skill would later come in handy.

Jesse's three older sons were old enough to fight the Philistines in King Saul's army. Like any father, he worried about his sons. So he packed some

food and asked David to deliver it to his brothers. The young shepherd, David, traveled to the battlefield. This was the first time he saw the giant Philistine warrior Goliath, the champion of the Philistines. For forty days, Goliath had been taunting the Israelite soldiers. David was just a youth, but his faith in Yahweh was very strong. David, tired of Goliath's taunting, boldly declared, "How dare Goliath speak against the army of Yahweh? He is no different than the vicious animals I kill which attack my father's sheep. I will fight him and Yahweh will give me victory" (1 Sam. 17:26, 34-36).

So King Saul allowed David to confront Goliath. Goliath was insulted that a child would come to fight him. He arrogantly laughed. But his laughter quickly faded as David killed him

with his small slingshot! Goliath fell dead, facedown. Giants are no match for Yahweh. He is with His people and gives them victory over their enemies.

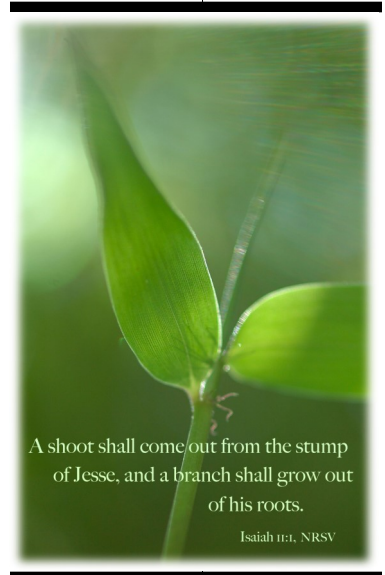
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They named him **Obed**; **Jesse**,  
he became the father of **Jesse**,  
the father of **David**.



Ruth 4:17, NRSV

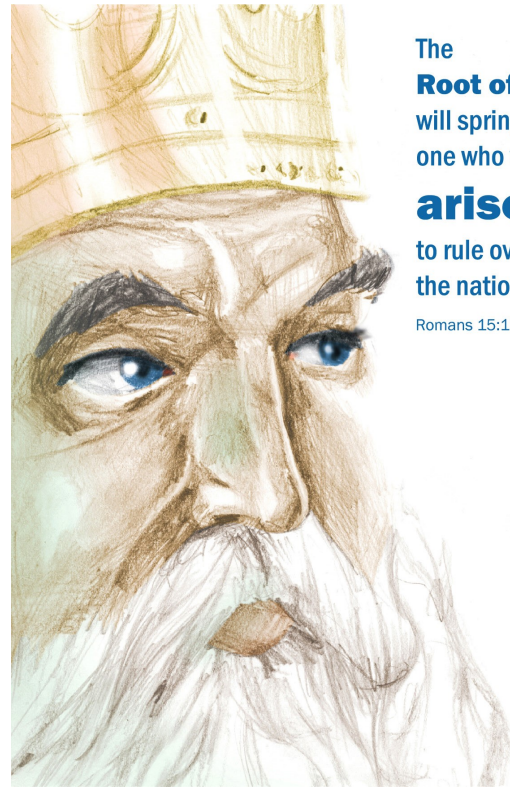


A shoot shall come out from the stump  
of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out  
of his roots.

Isaiah 11:1, NRSV

## Do you know?

1. Who was David?
  - A. The youngest son of Jesse.
  - B. The son of Saul.
  - C. The oldest son of Jesse.
  - D. The son of Samuel.
  
2. What was David's occupation as a youth?
  - A. A soldier.
  - B. A shepherd.
  - C. A tent maker.
  - D. A ship builder.
  
3. When did David first encounter Goliath?
  - A. On the road to Damascus.
  - B. In Jerusalem.
  - C. When he took food to his brothers on the battlefield.
  - D. In Syria.
  
4. With what weapon did David kill Goliath?
  - A. A gun.
  - B. A sword.
  - C. A spear.
  - D. A slingshot.
  
5. Which are true of Goliath?
  - A. He was a giant.
  - B. He was the champion of the Philistines.
  - C. He was arrogant.
  - D. All are true.



The  
**Root of Jesse**  
will spring up,  
one who will  
**arise**  
to rule over  
the nations.

Romans 15:12



# THE BOOK OF JOEL

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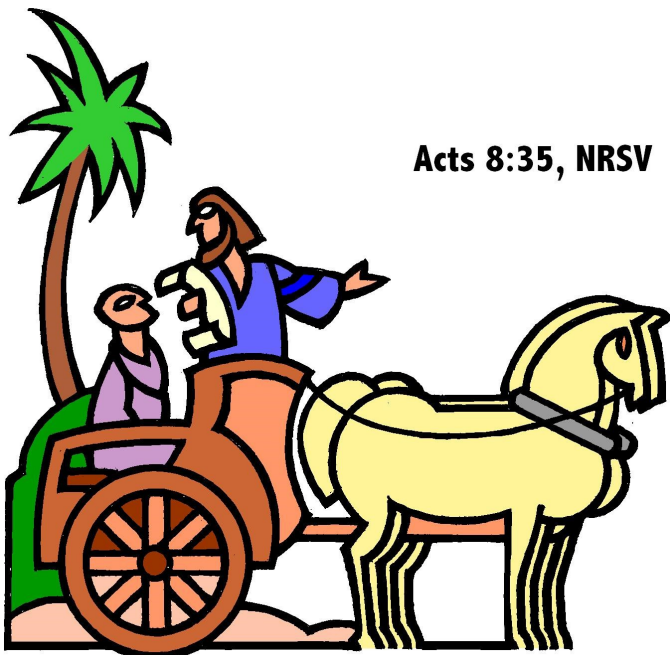
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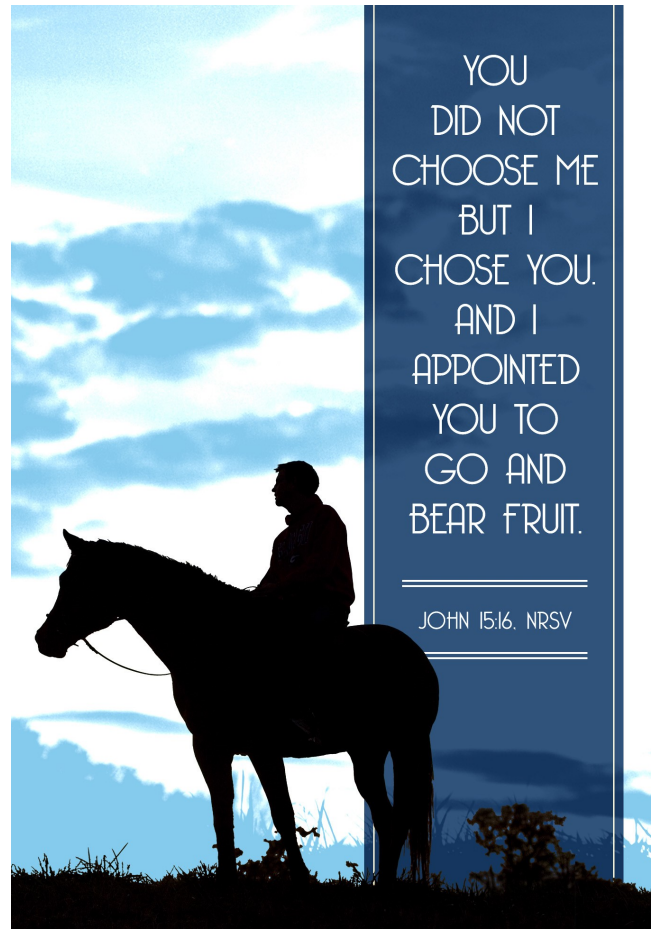
## Transportation in the Bible

1. How did Paul often travel during his missionary journeys? (Acts 21:1-3)
2. How was Absalom traveling when his head became caught in a tree? (2 Samuel 18:9)
3. How did Pharaoh travel as he pursued the Israel-

## Philip ... proclaimed to him the good news about Yahshua.



**Acts 8:35, NRSV**



YOU  
DID NOT  
CHOOSE ME  
BUT I  
CHOOSE YOU.  
AND I  
APPOINTED  
YOU TO  
GO AND  
BEAR FRUIT.

JOHN 15:16. NRSV

ites at the Red Sea? (Exodus 14:5-6)

4. How did Benhadad, king of Syria, escape Ahab? (1 Kings 20:20)

5. How did the people from Tiberias travel as they looked for Yahshua? (John 6:23-24)

6. How did Rebekah travel to meet Isaac? (Genesis 24:64)

7. How was the Ethiopian traveling when Philip joined him? (Acts 8:28-29)

8. How did Elijah travel into the air? (2 Kings 2:11)