
DAY 7

David

A MAN AFTER GOD'S
OWN HEART

“When He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king, of whom He testified, saying, ‘I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will fulfill My entire will!’”

(ACTS 13:22, MEV).

David was considered “a man after God’s own heart,” and Jesus was called, “the Son of David.” Wow! Why is that? The Apostle Paul tells us in Acts 13:22, that it is because David had a heart willing to fulfill God’s entire will. We all know that David, like all of us, was by no means a perfect man. His life had both troubles and triumphs. But his heart to get God’s will done put him right in the middle of the most noble lineage of mankind: the lineage of Jesus.

David knew early in life that God was to be trusted and obeyed. Many times, God helped David defeat wild animals and protect his sheep. As a young boy, David proved his heart toward God when he defeated Goliath. As soon as he heard the words coming out of the giant’s mouth, his heart was stirred for the covenant of God and His people to be enforced. His complete trust in God to uphold that covenant led David into head-to-head battle with the uncircumcised Philistine and right through into victory!

As a young man, David’s heart for God’s will kept him from killing Saul even as Saul pursued David to kill him. He knew that Saul had been anointed by God, and he was not about to be the judge of God’s anointed (1 Samuel 24-28). This is because David loved the will and thus the Word of God—we see this in Psalm 119:47-48. Even when David missed it and sinned, he was quick to repent and receive forgiveness from God (Psalm 51).

The Psalms of David show us even more of his heart for God. They are full of praise and thanksgiving, adoration and reverence for God and His ways. Even more, through the unction of the Holy Spirit, some of these Psalms also prophesy of Jesus’ life to come. Jesus, about 1,000 years later, quoted a verse of Psalm 22 as He hung on the cross, and Psalm 16 speaks of His resurrection!

What an amazing thing that not only is David part of the lineage of Jesus, but because of his heart to fulfill the will of God, he played a vital role in bringing Jesus’ victory into the earth. Through David’s heart to fulfill the will of God for His people, God was able to continue His Redemption plan for all mankind in the earth...

Study

Defeat Your Giant

Read Deuteronomy 28:16-68 (curses Christ has freed you from).

LIVE THE WORD

What giants are you facing today? Just like David, you can run at those giants with your mouth wide open, speaking the promises of God that defeat them. You are redeemed from the curse, from those giants that try to rise up in front of you. Do you believe that?

SPEAK THE WORD

I am redeemed from the curse because Jesus was made a curse for me. I am healed by His stripes. He purchased my freedom, my healing and my complete redemption. Today, I can live in victory!

SCRIPTURE STUDY:

Deuteronomy 28; Galatians 3:13; Isaiah 53:5; Ephesians 1:15-23

Apply

You may be facing a giant today. He may be a giant of sickness or failure, of financial shortage or another kind of trouble. But don't let him scare you. You have a secret weapon. A weapon that once turned a shepherd boy into a bear-busting, lion-killing, giant-slaying champion. That weapon was a blood covenant with Almighty God.

Just like David, you, too, have a covenant. But yours is better. You see, the covenant David had offered a wealth of blessings to those who kept it, but it also included curses for those who broke it. Yours doesn't. Yours is a new covenant that Jesus bought with His own blood. It doesn't depend on your ability. It depends on Him and what He has already done. He has done it all! All you must do is believe it and receive it.

Deuteronomy 28:16-68 is a list of the curses Christ has freed you from. You might even call it a list of the giants Jesus has already slain for you. It contains every diabolical thing the devil could ever use to destroy you...

WALKING IT OUT TO VICTORY:

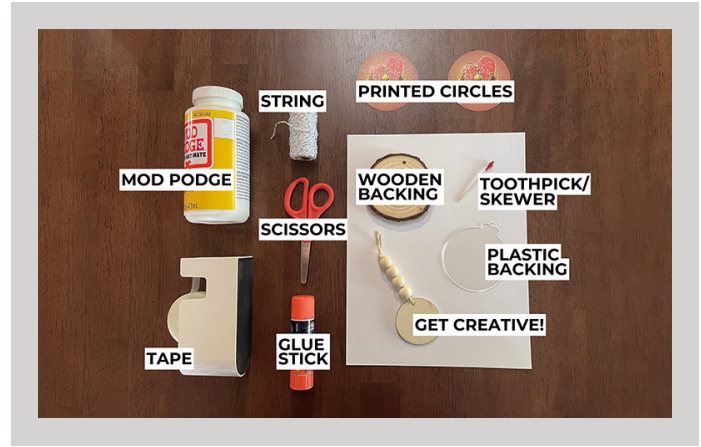
- Read these curses and rejoice. Those are the things God has healed you of and delivered you from!.
- Refuse to be intimidated by ANY giant. Remember, you have a blood covenant with Almighty God. There's no uncircumcised circumstance on the face of this earth that can take your victory away from you.
- Declare your victory today. You are REDEEMED!

OPTION 1: PRINTED CIRCLE ORNAMENT (PG 4-6)

Today's Ornament



Materials



Instructions

STEP 1

Print artwork for Option 1 and cut out both circles.

STEP 2

There are options for creating this easy ornament, depending on your supplies and desires...



PAPER & TAPE OPTION

Place tape on the back of one printed circle (fold tape over to create double-sided stick). You may want to make three circles of tape to help it stay together. Cut a piece of string and tie it into a loop for hanging. Place the string on the back of the taped circle over the tape, leaving enough loop coming out the top to hang the ornament. Line up the tops of the printed circle artwork and press the back of the 2nd circle into the tape over the string on the 1st circle.

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PAPER & GLUE OPTION

Place glue on the back of one printed circle. You should cover the whole back to the edges, but do not over-soak if using liquid glue instead of a glue stick. Cut a piece of string and tie into a loop for hanging. Place the string on the back of the glued circle into the glue, leaving enough loop coming out the top to hang the ornament. Line up the tops of the circle artwork and press the back of the 2nd circle into the glue and over the string on the back of the 1st circle. Press evenly to secure to edges.

PAPER & PLASTIC BACKING OPTION

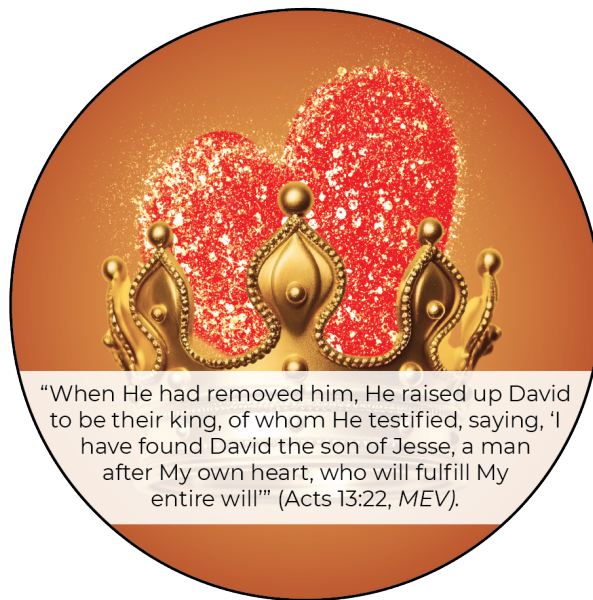
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PAPER & WOODEN BACKING OPTION

Using a foam brush, paint the wooden backing with Mod Podge. Press the printed circle artwork onto the wet Mod Podge (be sure to line up the top with the hole for hanging at the top) and let it sit to dry. Using a toothpick or skewer, poke the hole on the wooden backing through the paper. Then paint over the top of the printed circle with the Mod Podge to seal the paper to the wooden backing. Repeat for the 2nd circle on the other side of the wooden backing. Cut a piece of string and pass it through the hole at the top of the wooden backing (you may need the toothpick or skewer to help push the string through the hole), and tie into a loop for hanging. [Find these on Amazon here.]

STEP 3

This will create a double-sided ornament ready for hanging.



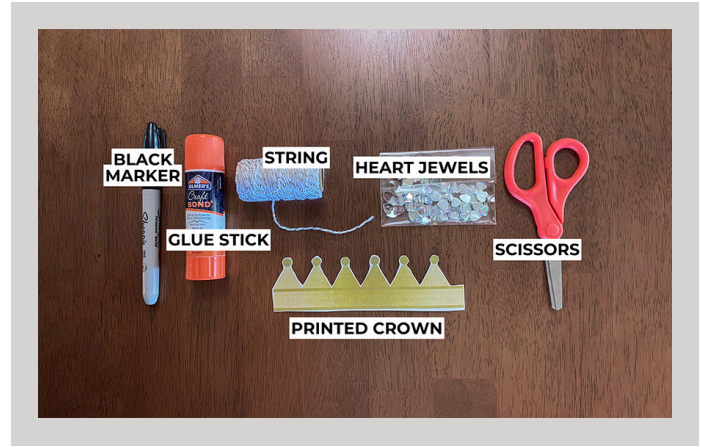
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OPTION 2: CRAFT ORNAMENT (PG 7-9)

Today's Ornament



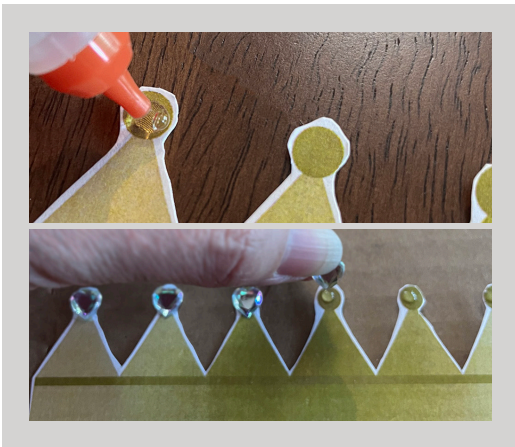
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Instructions

STEP 1

Print and cut the crown for Option 2.



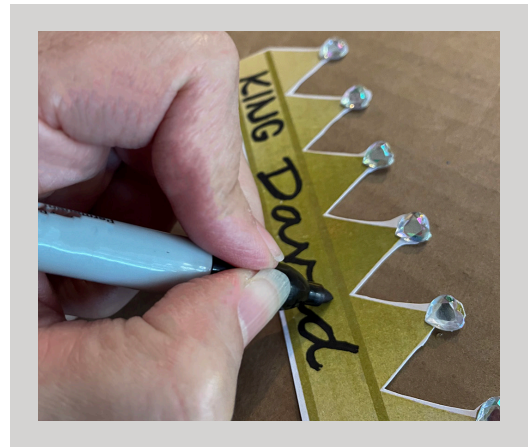
STEP 2

Glue a heart to the top of each point in the crown. Allow to dry.

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STEP 3

Write "King David" on the crown with the marker.

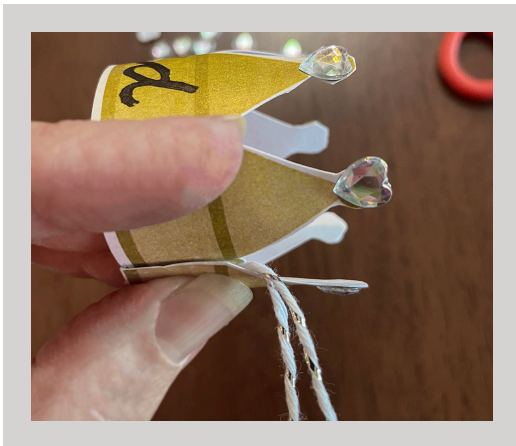


STEP 4

Cut a piece of string and tie into a loop for hanging.

STEP 5

Add glue to the end of the crown with the extra length below the points. Add the loop on top and add more glue. Wrap the crown into a circle and attach the two ends over the loop. Hold and let dry.



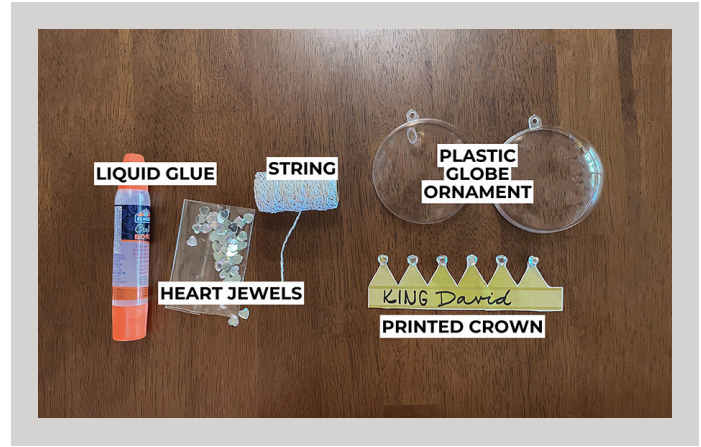


OPTION 3: GLOBE ORNAMENT (PG 10-12)

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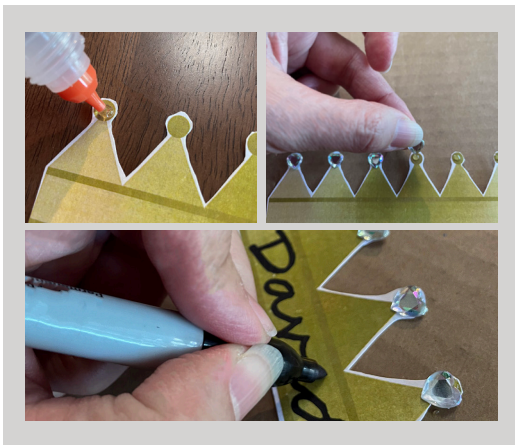
Materials



Instructions

STEP 1

Print and cut the crown for Option 2.



STEP 2

Glue a heart to the top of each point in the crown. Allow to dry.

STEP 3

Write "King David" on the crown with the marker.

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STEP 4

Add glue to the end of the crown with the extra length below the points. Add the loop on top and add more glue. Wrap the crown into a circle. Hold and let dry.



STEP 5

Add dried crown into half of the plastic globe.

STEP 6

Add spare heart embellishments into the globe.

STEP 7

Attach the other half of the globe, lining up the holes for hanging at the top, and press to secure.

STEP 8

Cut a piece of string and put one end through the hanging holes on the globe ornament. Tie into a loop for hanging.



