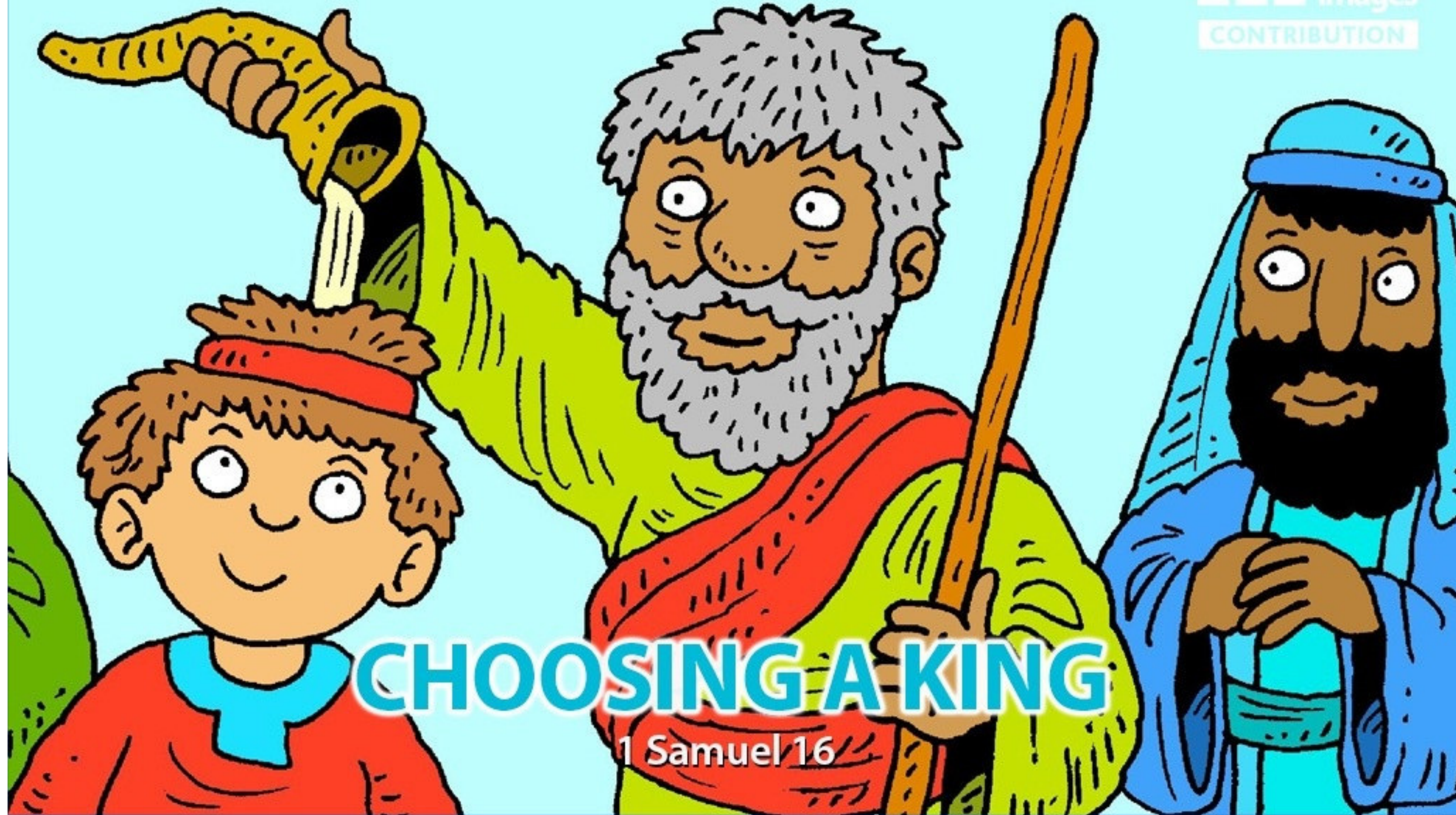


# **Lesson 20: David Anointed**

## **1 Samuel 16**

**4th and 5th Grade Class**

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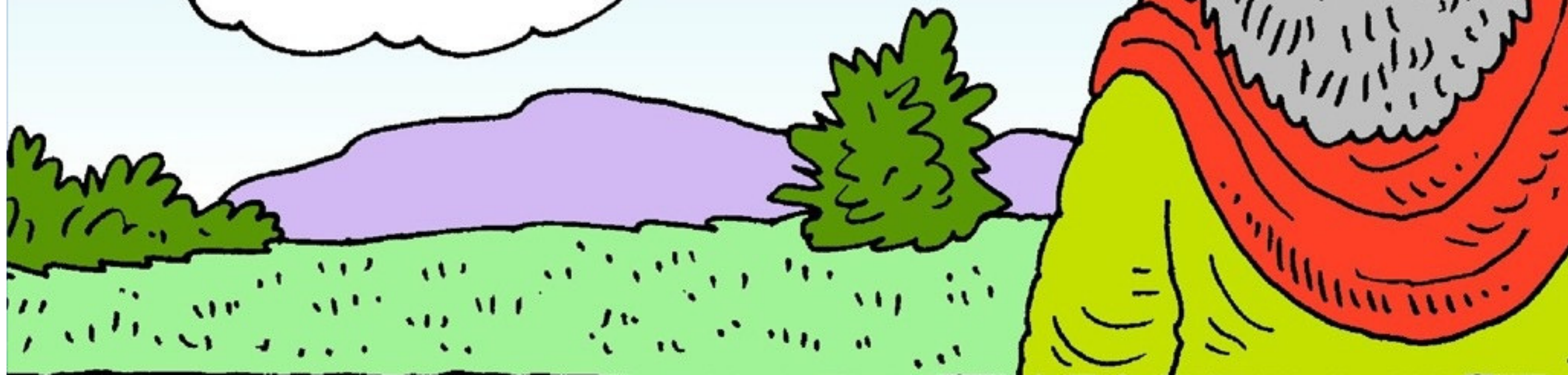
# CHOOSING A KING

1 Samuel 16



This story about God choosing a new King is found in the Bible in the first book of Samuel.

One day God spoke to Samuel and said, 'Fill your horn with oil and go to Bethlehem. There you will find a man called Jesse. I have chosen one of his sons to be King.'

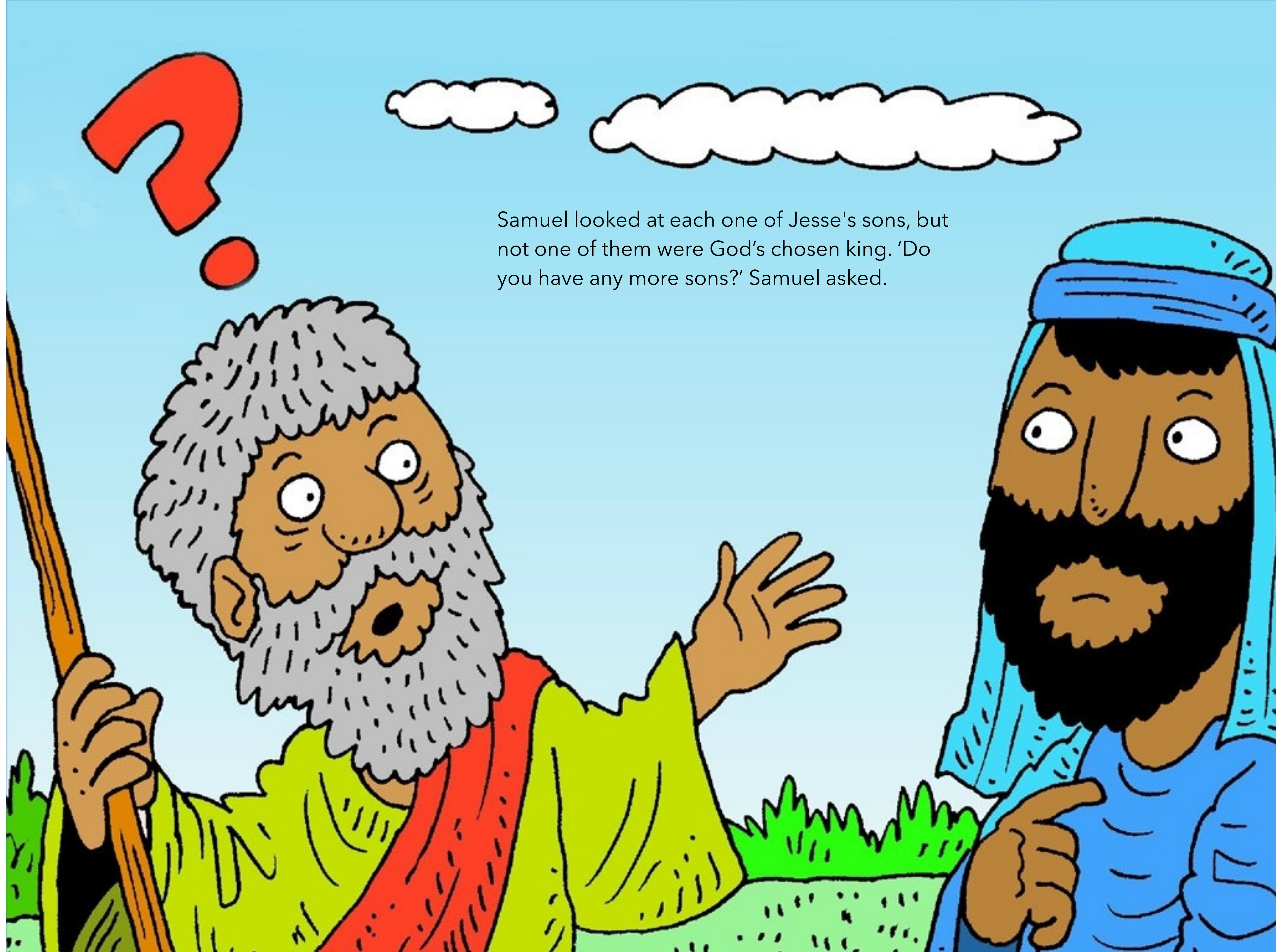


Samuel went to find Jesse. 'Call your sons together and we will make an offering to God,' he said. 'One of your sons will have God's blessing today.'



'Show me which son to choose,' Samuel prayed. 'It is not being the most handsome, tall or strong that makes a good king,' said God. 'I look for a good and honest heart.'





Samuel looked at each one of Jesse's sons, but not one of them were God's chosen king. 'Do you have any more sons?' Samuel asked.

My youngest son is just a boy and he is looking after the sheep,' replied Jesse. 'Send for him straight away,' Samuel told him. 'We won't sit down to eat until he gets here.'





As soon as Samuel saw David, God said to him, 'This is the one I have chosen to be King of Israel, because I know how much he loves me.'



Samuel poured the Holy oil in his horn onto David's head, to show he was God's chosen King. God's spirit was with David from that very day.



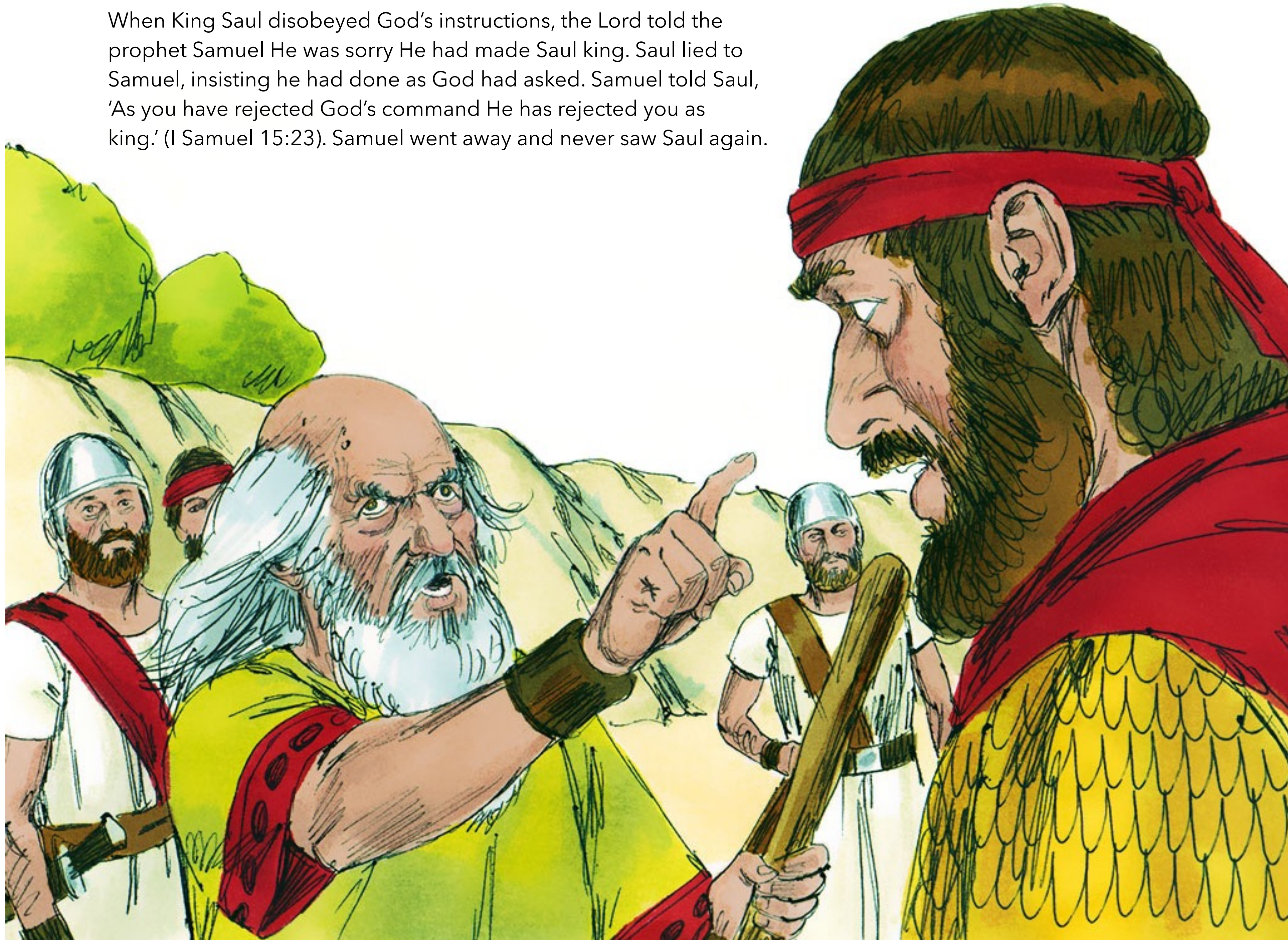


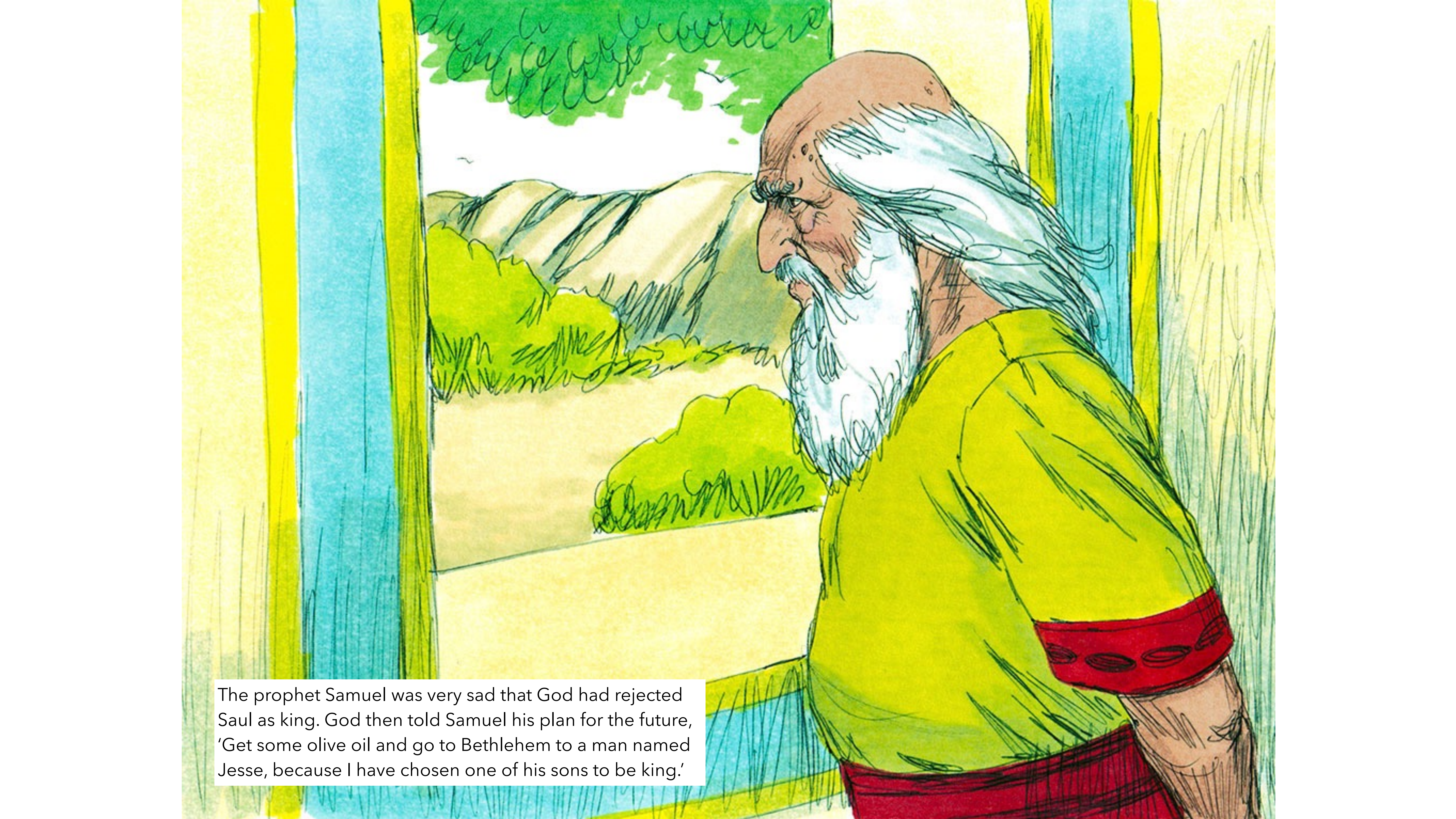
1 Samuel 16:1-23

# SAMUEL ANOINTS DAVID TO BE KING

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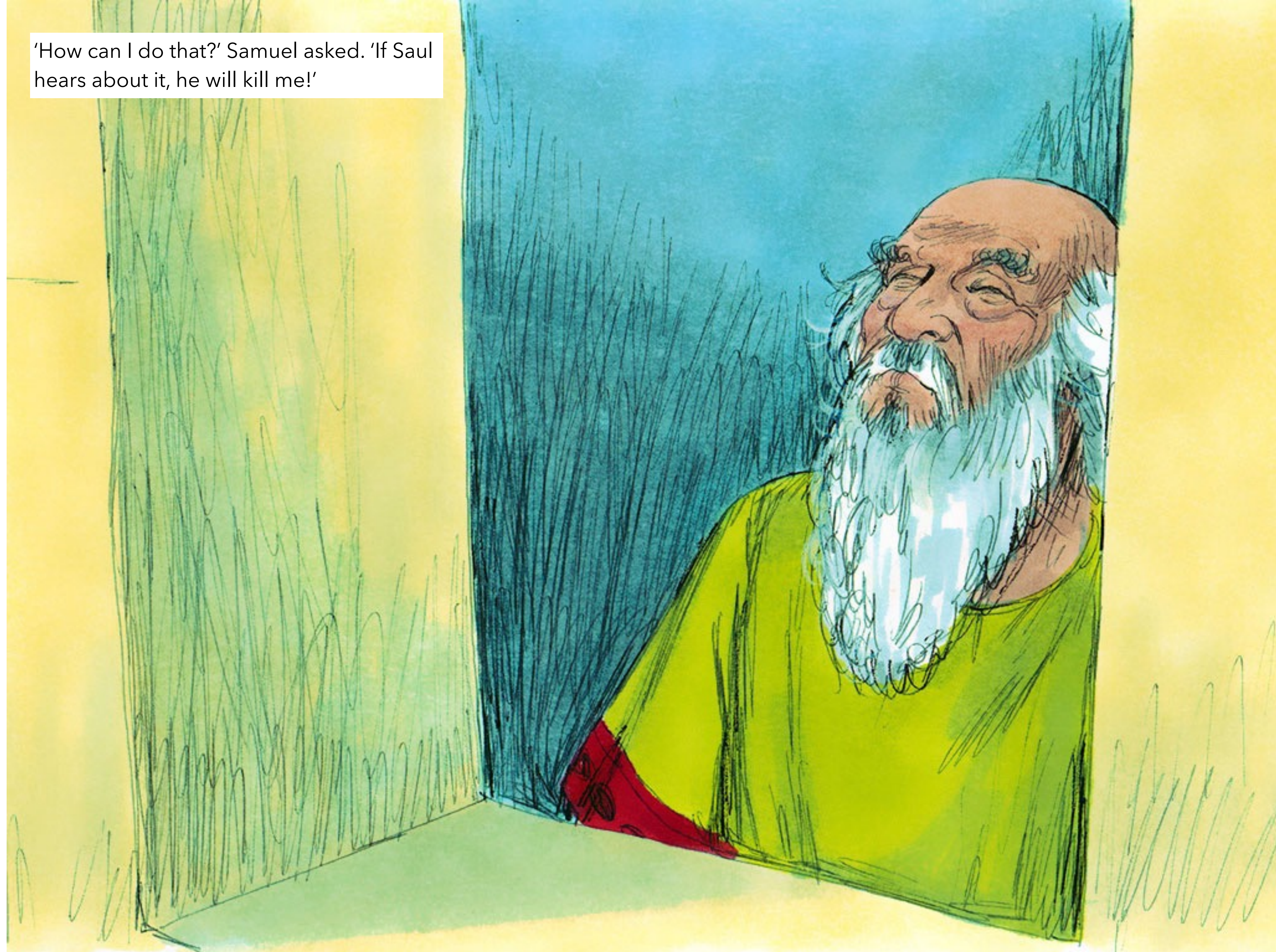
When King Saul disobeyed God's instructions, the Lord told the prophet Samuel He was sorry He had made Saul king. Saul lied to Samuel, insisting he had done as God had asked. Samuel told Saul, 'As you have rejected God's command He has rejected you as king.' (I Samuel 15:23). Samuel went away and never saw Saul again.

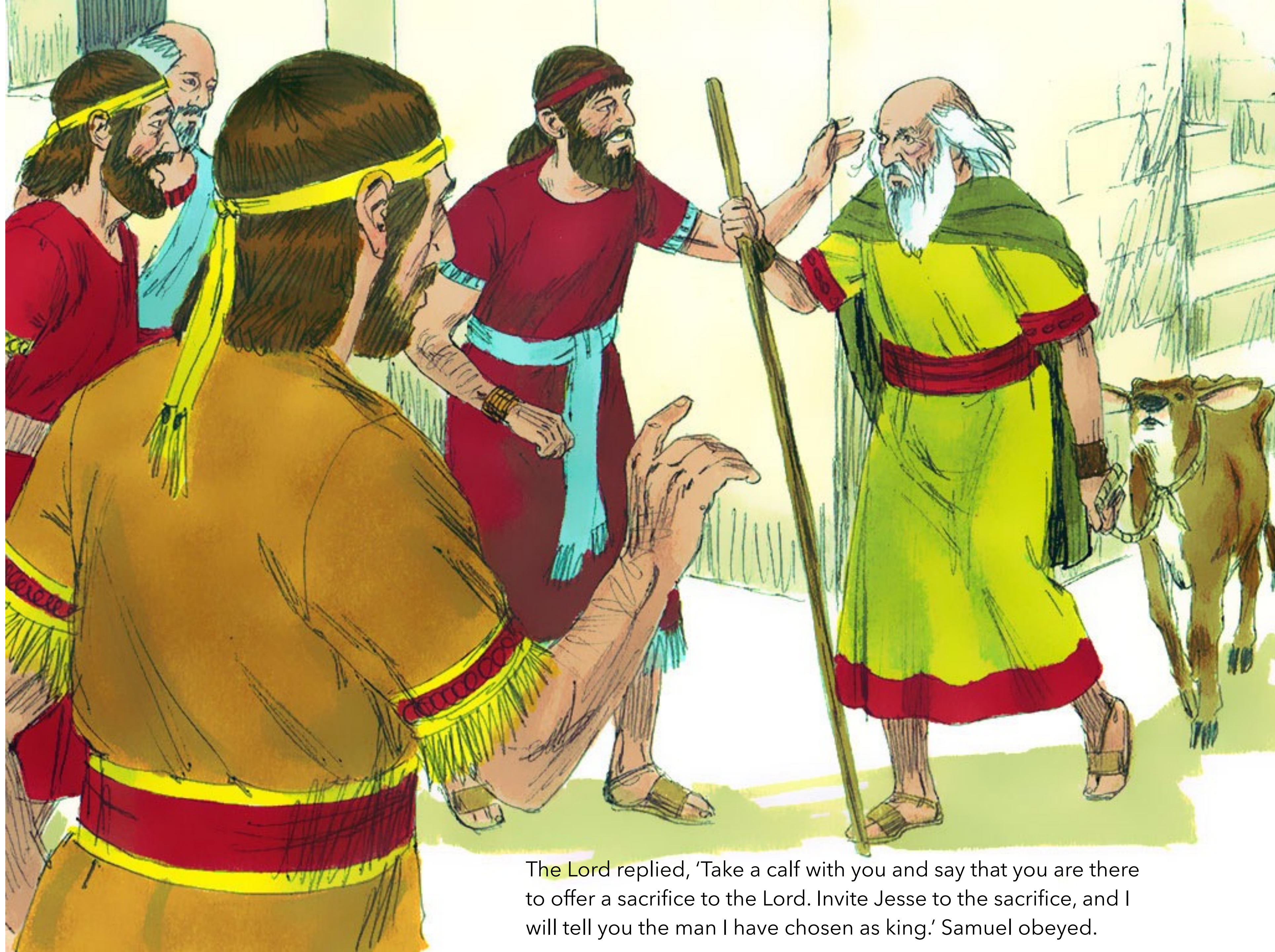




The prophet Samuel was very sad that God had rejected Saul as king. God then told Samuel his plan for the future, 'Get some olive oil and go to Bethlehem to a man named Jesse, because I have chosen one of his sons to be king.'

'How can I do that?' Samuel asked. 'If Saul hears about it, he will kill me!'



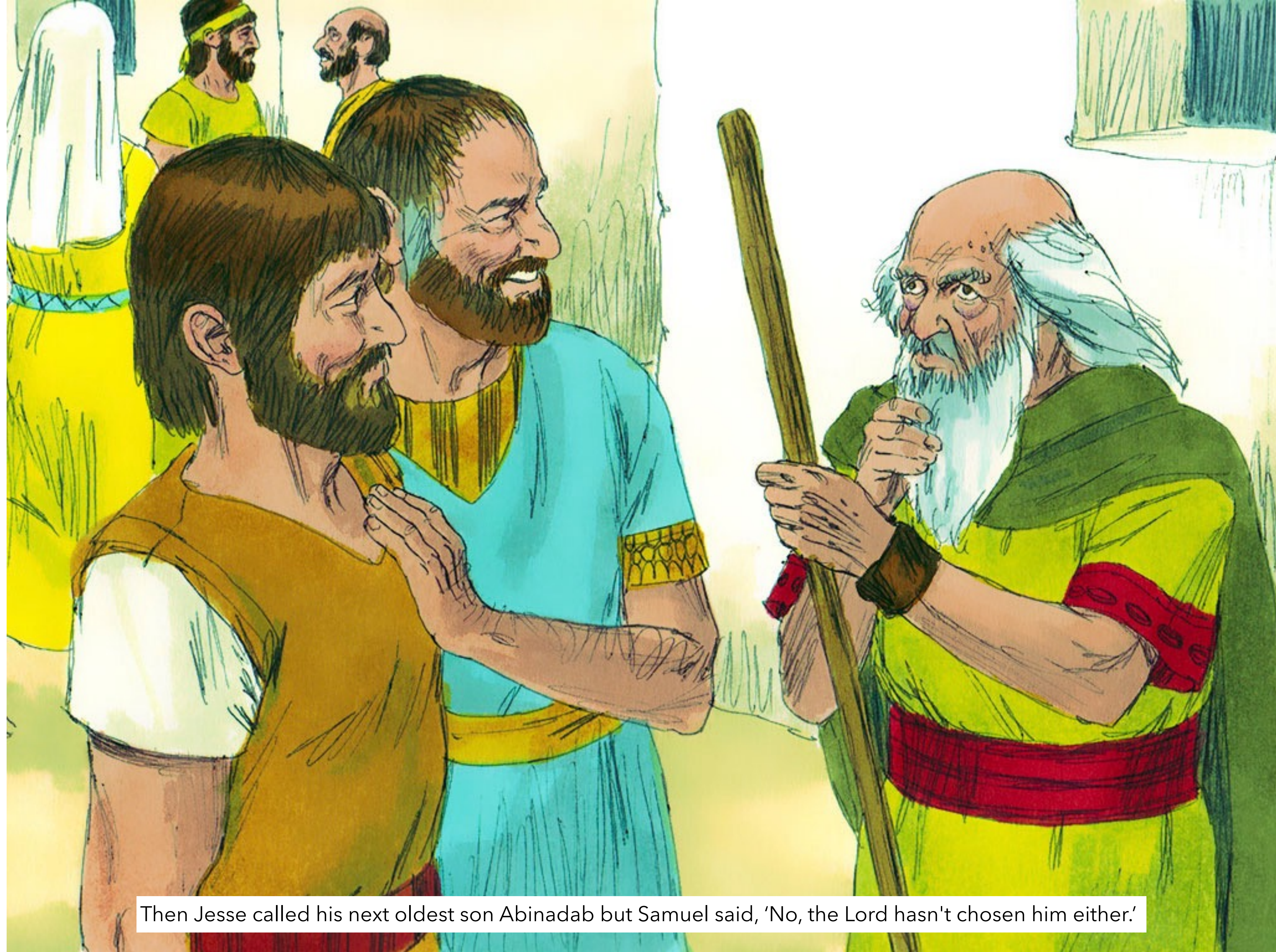


The Lord replied, 'Take a calf with you and say that you are there to offer a sacrifice to the Lord. Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will tell you the man I have chosen as king.' Samuel obeyed.



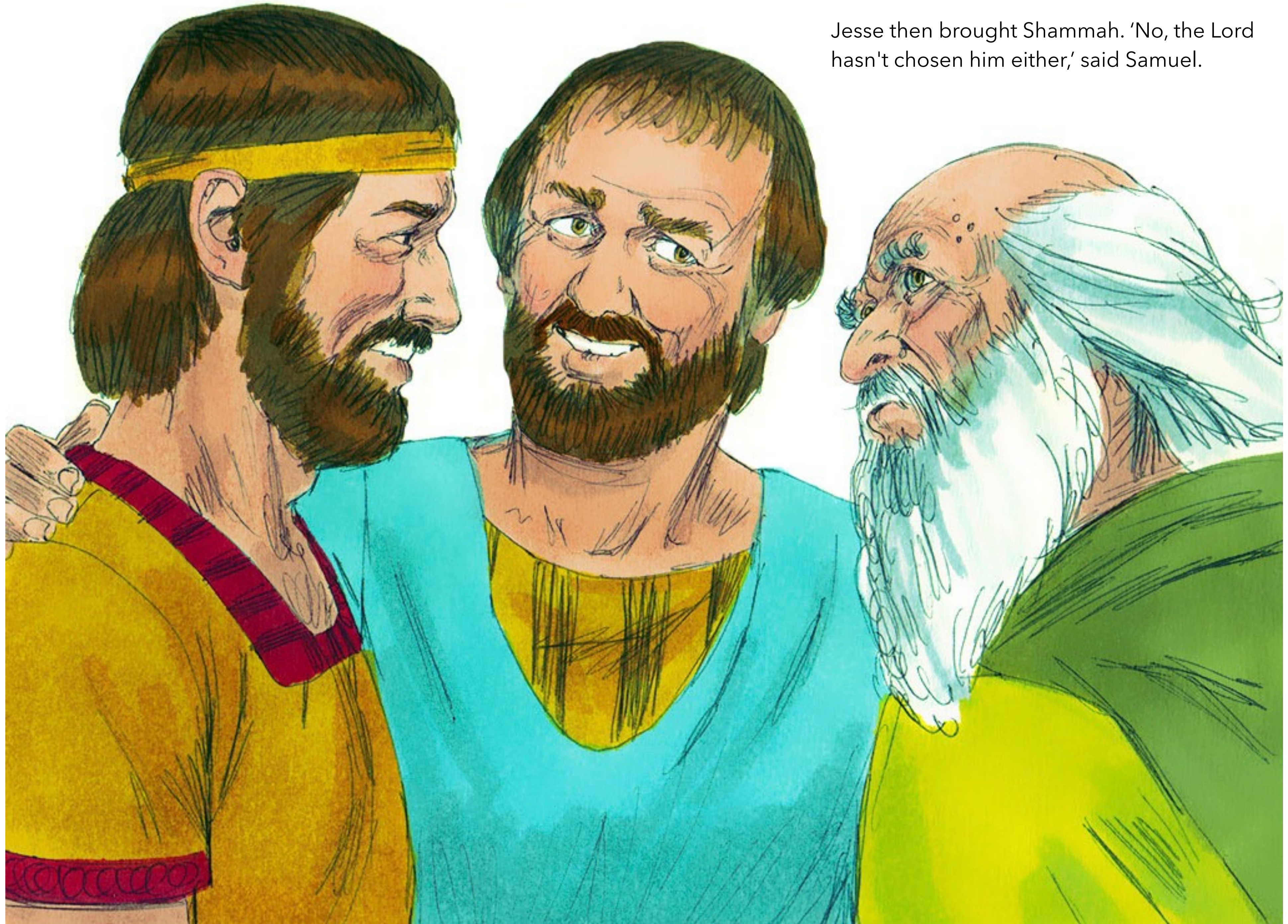
At the sacrifice, Samuel saw Jesse's son Eliab and thought, 'This man standing must be one God has chosen.' But the Lord said to him, 'Pay no attention to how tall and handsome he is. I have rejected him, because I do not judge as people judge. They look at the outward appearance, but I look at the heart.'

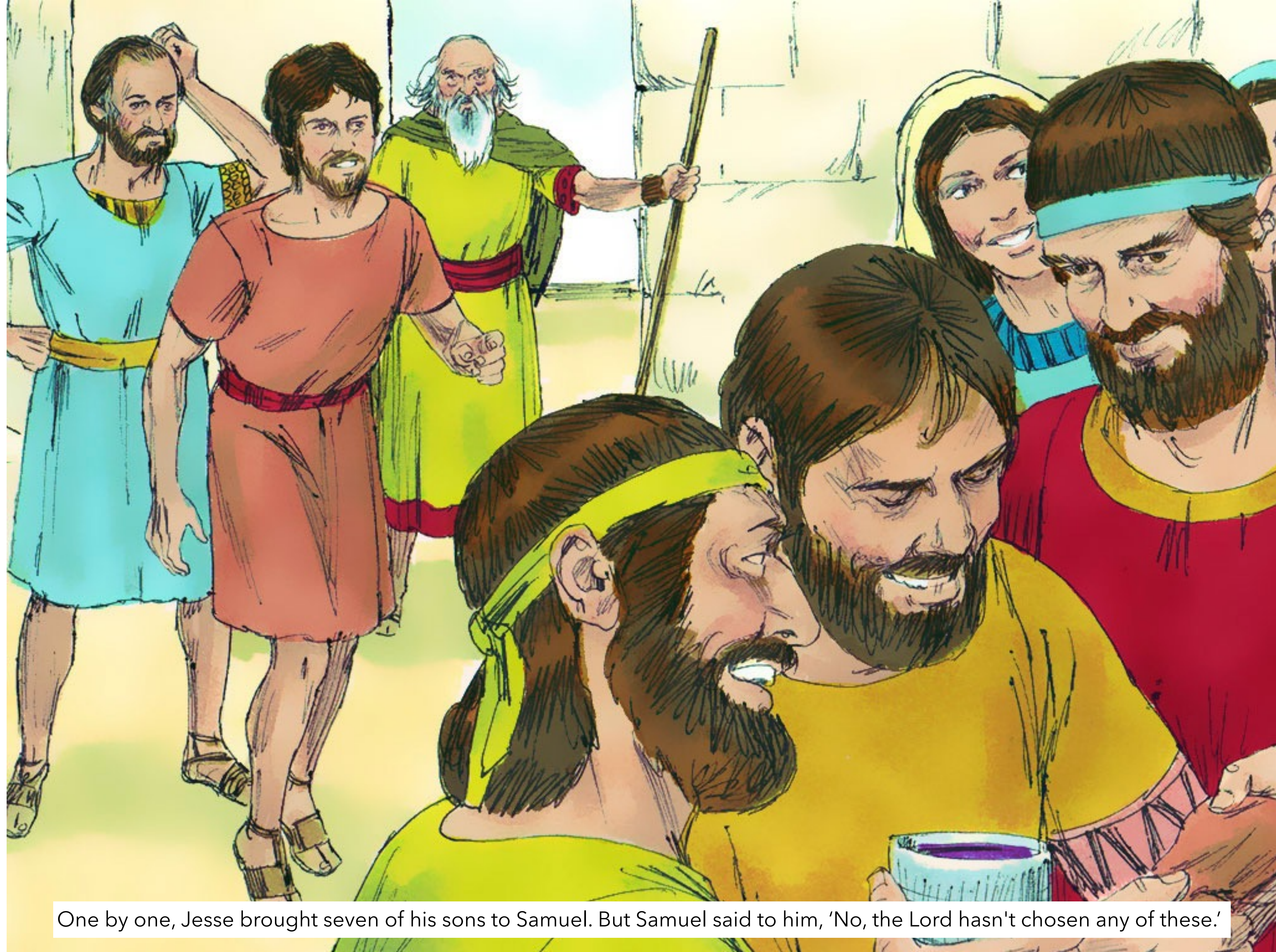




Then Jesse called his next oldest son Abinadab but Samuel said, 'No, the Lord hasn't chosen him either.'

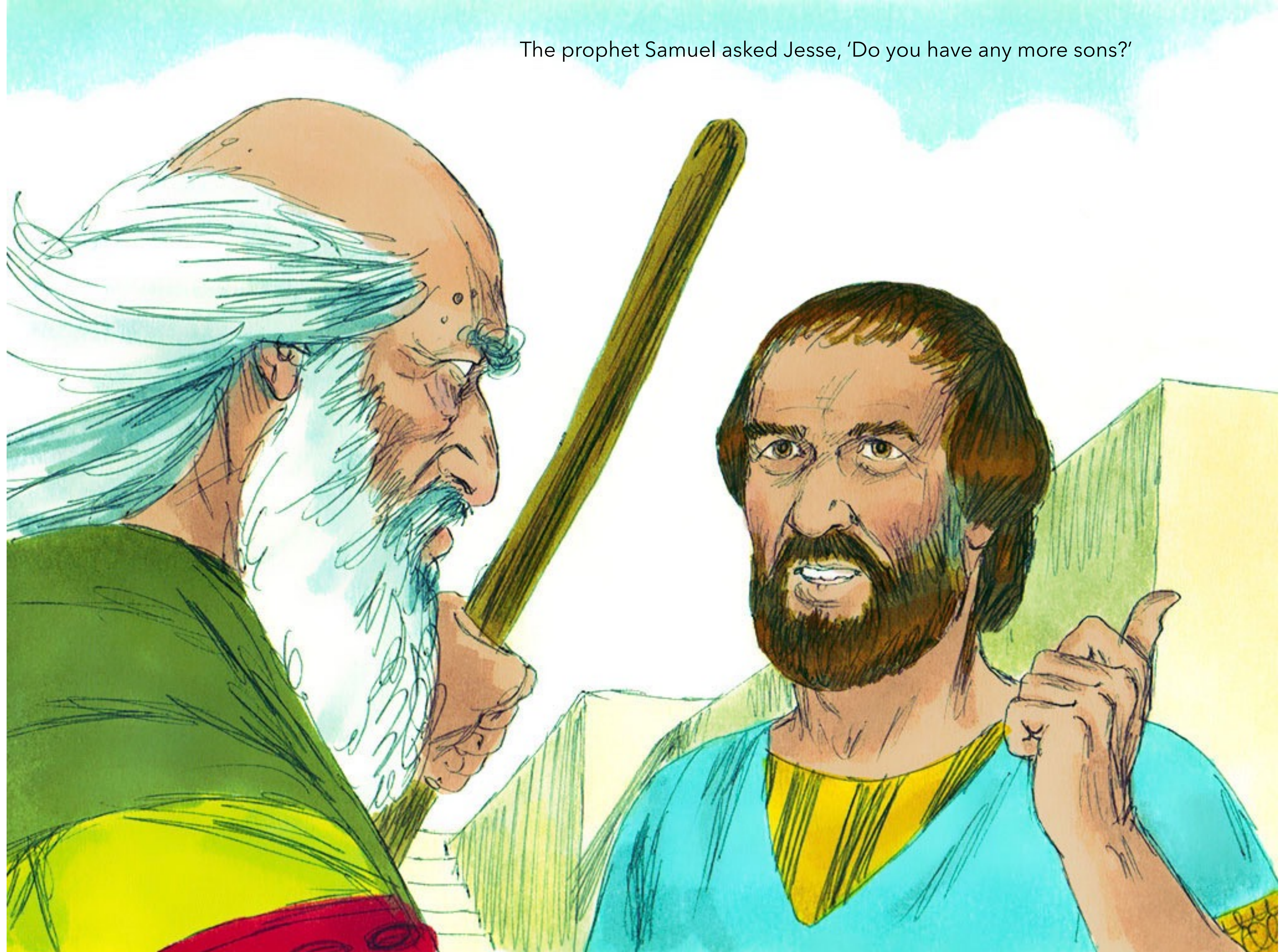
Jesse then brought Shammah. 'No, the Lord hasn't chosen him either,' said Samuel.





One by one, Jesse brought seven of his sons to Samuel. But Samuel said to him, 'No, the Lord hasn't chosen any of these.'

The prophet Samuel asked Jesse, 'Do you have any more sons?'



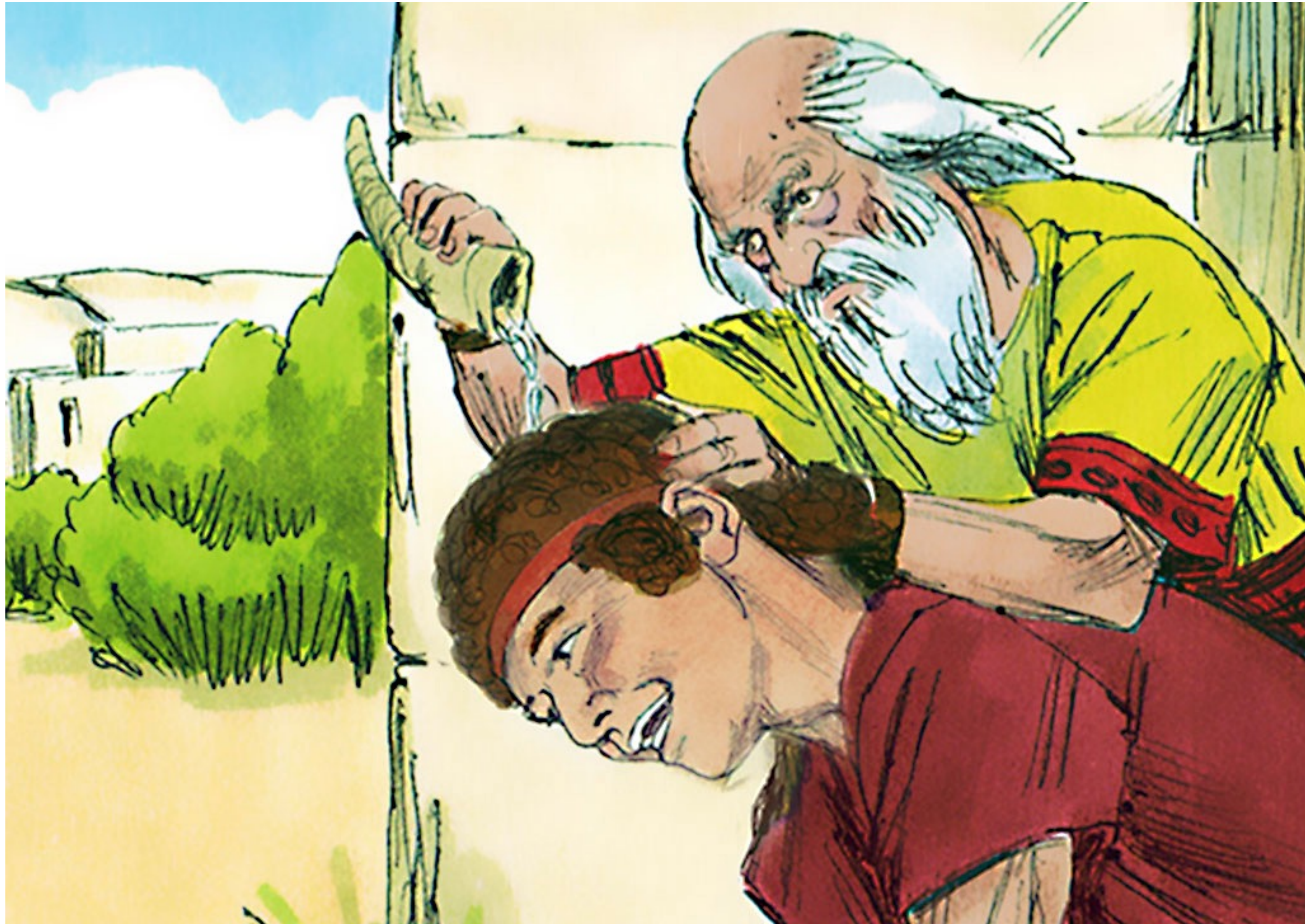


Jesse answered, 'There is the youngest, David, but he is out taking care of the sheep.'  
'Tell him to come here,' Samuel said. 'We won't offer the sacrifice until he comes.'



So Jesse sent for him. He was a handsome, healthy young man, and his eyes sparkled. The Lord said to Samuel, 'This is the one—anoint him!'

Samuel took the olive oil and anointed David in front of his brothers. Immediately the spirit of the Lord took control of David and was with him from that day on.



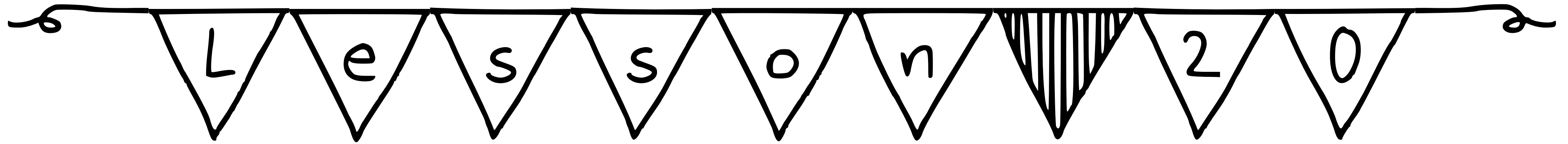


Meanwhile King Saul was being tormented by evil and in a bad mood. His servants said, 'Jesse has a son who plays the harp. He is a good musician and Lord is with him. When you are tormented, let him play his harp and you will be alright again.'



David served King Saul by playing his harp when the King was tormented by evil. Saul, at first, liked him very much and chose him as the man to carry his weapons.



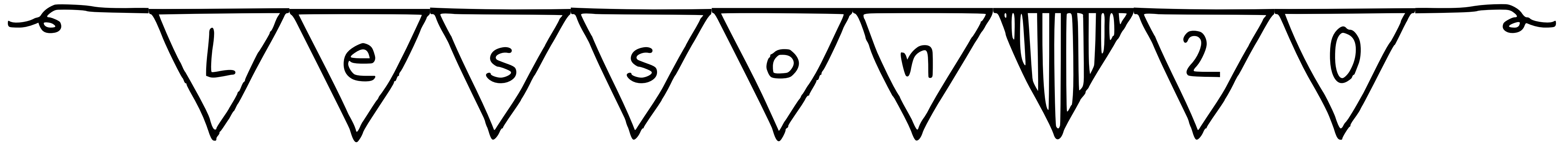


Sometimes we have to overcome our disappointment with some other person and get on with God's work.

We are cautioned not to judge others on outward appearances.

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight."

Psalms 19:14a



God left Saul and an evil spirit moved in. Be sure to keep good thoughts in your heart or bad thoughts will move in.

“Know that the Lord Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.”

Psalms 100:3

How are we like sheep?