

# Crafts

## Craft: David's Victorious Banner

### Materials List:

- Large sheets of construction paper (assorted colors)
- String or yarn
- Craft sticks or dowels
- Markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- Safety scissors
- Glue sticks
- Hole punch
- Decorative stickers or sequins (optional)

### Instructions:

1. Introduction: Begin by briefly discussing 2 Samuel 8, focusing on King David's success in his battles and how God's guidance and support brought him victory. Explain that the craft will represent David's victories and their own personal triumphs.

### 2. Design the Banner:

- Provide each student with a sheet of construction paper.
- Instruct them to use markers or crayons to draw symbols of victory on the paper, such as crowns, shields, or stars. Encourage them to think about what victory means to them personally or about times they've felt God's help in their own lives.
- Allow them to add any additional decoration using stickers or sequins.

### 3. Cut and Assemble:

- Have students use safety scissors to cut the construction paper into a triangle or rectangular banner shape.
- Use the hole punch to make two holes at the top of the banner.
- Thread a piece of string or yarn through the holes to create a hanging loop for the banner.

### 4. Attach to Stick:

- Glue a craft stick or dowel horizontally across the top of the banner for reinforcement.

### 5. Personalized Messages:

- On the back of the banner, ask students to write a short message or a word describing a victory they are thankful for or a way they've seen God's presence in their lives.

### Reinforcement of Lesson:

This hands-on craft activity reinforces the lesson from 2 Samuel 8 by allowing students to creatively express the theme of victory with God's help, just as David experienced. As they design their banners, children are able to internalize how, like David, they can rely on God during their own challenges. This craft also encourages reflection on personal achievements and moments of divine guidance, helping solidify their understanding of the story and its application to their everyday lives.