

David – a man after God’s heart

Samuel 16: 1-3

Ruth and Boaz had a son called Obed, who had a son called Jesse (after which our tree is named!) and Jesse’s youngest son was called David. He’s the same person who defeated Goliath and went on to be king. He was by no means perfect and he did do lots of wrong things, but he had a heart for God. He wanted to follow God and he knew when to say sorry and seek forgiveness. He wanted to glorify God.

Watch the story of how God chose David here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g9Obyj-BPWE>

As I said David had a long and active life so there are lots of videos online.

This is a full film <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QopPZfUKaOY>

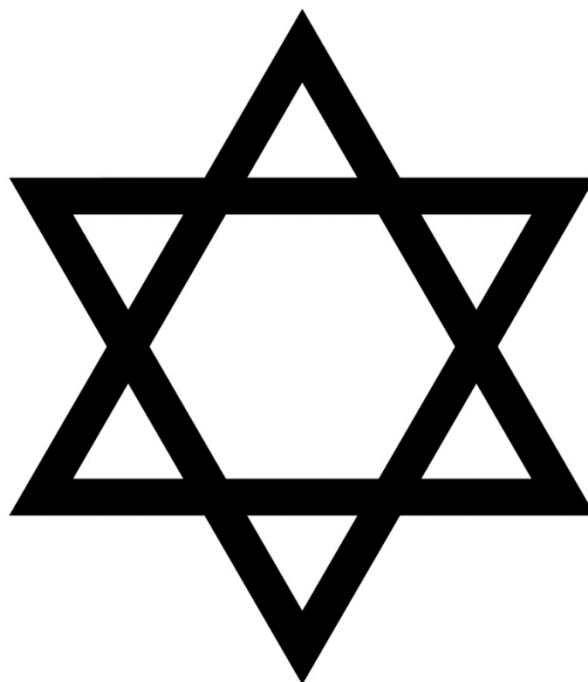
Here’s the list of all the Superbook videos:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKnf-ySY8Dodu1hnYk9pCghQO_ZLeyJGw

1. Our twelfth decoration for the Jesse Tree

We are going to make a Star of David as our symbol for David. No-one really knows why this is associated with David, but it’s a nice easy shape to draw and make so we’ll use it.

Trace the shape onto thick card or plastic and carefully cut out all the gaps. Colour it really brightly. Make sure it’s waterproof and hang it on the Jesse Tree.



2. Write a song or choreograph a dance

David wrote many of the psalms in the Bible. The book of Psalms was the Jewish hymnbook. In the psalms David and the other writers expressed lots of different emotions and wrote about all different aspects of their lives.

Write a song telling God about your life and how you feel about it and about him now. Put it to a tune and sing it.

Once in the Bible, we are told how happy David was and how he showed that happiness in praise and thanks to God in a dance.

Make up a dance that praises God for something he has done or for who he is. Use a praise song you know or the one you have just written.