
THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

"Let the children come to me, do not hinder them," (Mk 10:14)

To Be A Saint!

As we continue our mini-series on poems to memorize, here is one based on the story found in 1Samuel 17. It is entitled: "David and Goliath" by Priscilla Jane Thompson with the image by "Oriol."

The target, 'tween his shoulders,
Loudly grinds his coat of mail,
And the clash of greaves, that mingle,
Sends an echo down the vale.

With pond' rous form erected,
And a demon in his eye,
He stops, and lifts his mighty voice,
And Israel's host defy.

But now, from 'mongst the soldiers.
With a heart that knows not fears,
Flustered sore with indignation,
Steps a youth, of tender years.

His curly locks flow idly,
And in shepherd's dress he stands,
And his comely face, exalted,
Re-assures each faltering man.

" Who is this great Philistine —
That the host of God, defied?
What is offered by our Sovereign —
To redeem fair Israel's pride? "

Thus, freely he converses,
With his elders, close at hand,
And the courage he displayeth,
Seems more fitly for a man.

Then, at the brook he searcheth,
And five stones he quickly bring;
And he goes to meet the giant,
With his staff and trusty sling.



" Come to me! " then cries Goliath;
" With thy flesh a feast I'll yield,
To the wild birds of the heaven,
And the wild beasts of the field. "

Young David answers calmly,
" Spear and shield on thee, I see;
In the name of God of Israel,
I have come to conquer thee."

And now he hastens toward him;
And he whirls his sling around,
The stone Jehovah speedeth,
Brings Goliath to the ground.

***You too can bring down the "Goliaths" of this world
by praying your DAILY ROSARY - YOUR 5 STONES!***

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"We are kids telling kids about Jesus!"*