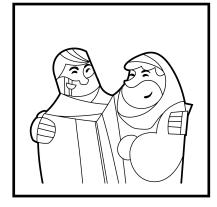
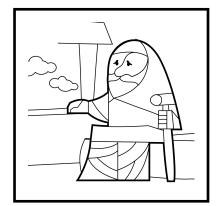
## **BIBLE STORY SHEET**



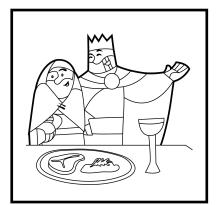
Everyone, draw two friends standing side by side. I'm going to tell you a story from the Bible about a king named David, and his best friend, Jonathan. David had made a promise to Jonathan that he would always be kind to Jonathan's family and help them forever. If you made a promise to someone several years ago, would you still keep it? (ALLOW responses) Do you think David kept his promise? (ALLOW responses) Let's keep reading to find out!



When David and Jonathan got older, Jonathan was fighting in a war when he and his father, King Saul, were killed. Jonathan's little boy, Mephibosheth (pronounced "Meh-fib-o-sheh-th"), was at home when he found out what happened to his father and grandfather. In the second box on your page, draw Mephibosheth with a sad face. Mephibosheth's nurse was trying to to carry him out of the castle to safety when she dropped him and hurt his feet. From then on, he couldn't walk. So, everyone, draw some bandages on Mephibosheth's feet in your picture.



After remembering the promise he had made to Jonathan, King David asked a servant if anyone from Jonathan's family was still alive. The servant told David about Mephibosheth, so David sent the servant to Mephibosheth's house to find him. Everyone draw a picture of a house in your third box. Do you think Mephibosheth was still sad, even years after everything had happened? (ALLOW responses) Let's see how God blessed Mephibosheth, even though he was sad. Then, you can remember that God will bless you when you're sad, too!



Everyone can draw a table with food in the fourth box on your page because once King David had Mephibosheth brought to the palace, they had dinner together. From then on, King David treated Mephibosheth like one of his own sons. God blessed Mephibosheth by giving him a friend who would help him when he was sad. Have you ever had a friend or family member help you when you were sad? (ALLOW responses) God gives us those people who can help us when we are sad, and because of that, we are always blessed!