

Jesus Moments

David

Finding Jesus in the story of David



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Did you know that the oldest stories in the Bible are a bit like puzzles? If you look carefully, you can spot some

“Jesus moments”.

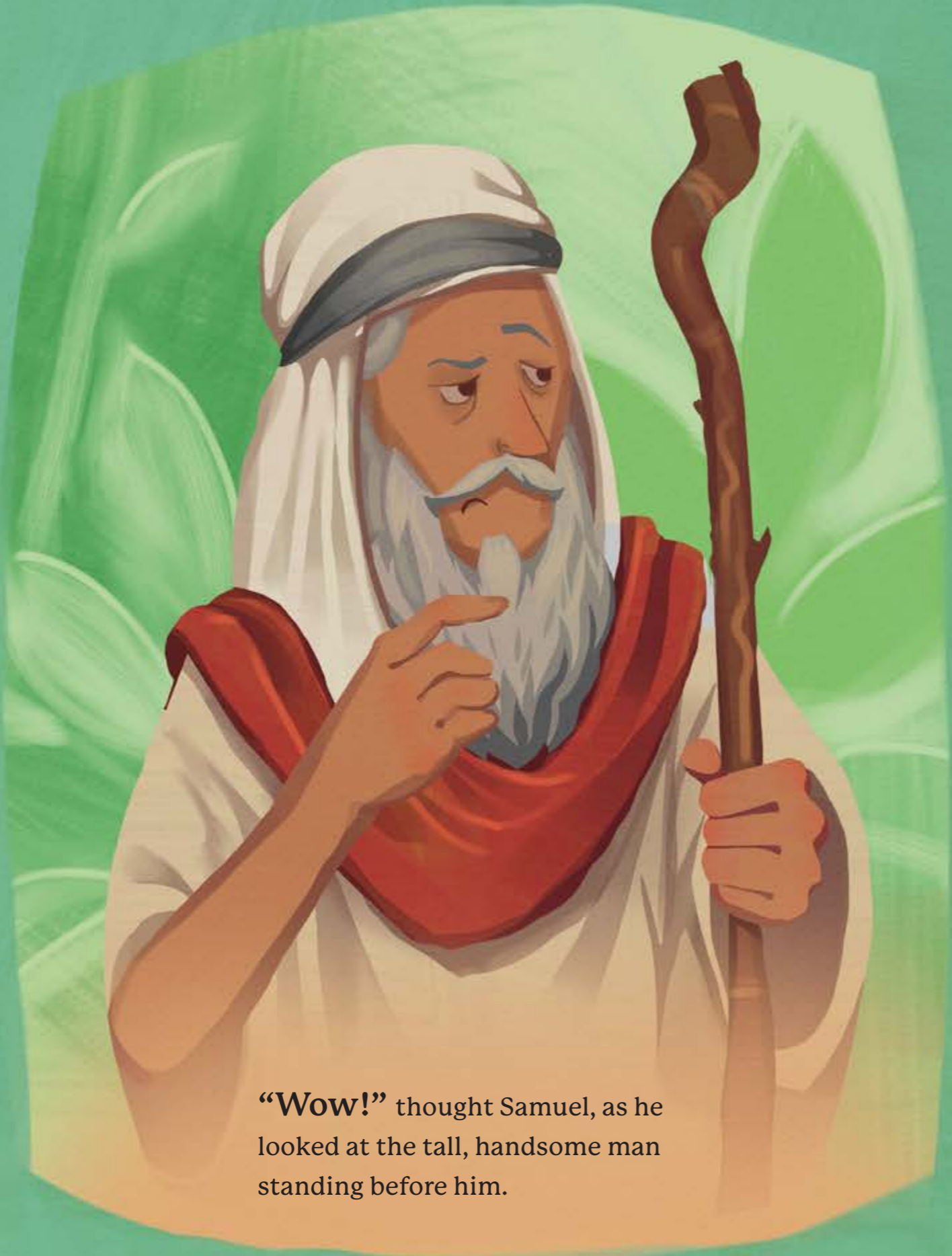
These are moments when someone in the story is a little bit like **Jesus**.

So this book is the exciting true story of how a young shepherd called **David** became a king. But what makes it even more exciting is that it’s also about **Jesus**, the King of all kings.

As you read about **David**, keep a lookout for some hidden **crowns**. Each time you spot one, that’s a clue that there’s a **Jesus moment** to find as well.

So let’s get started...





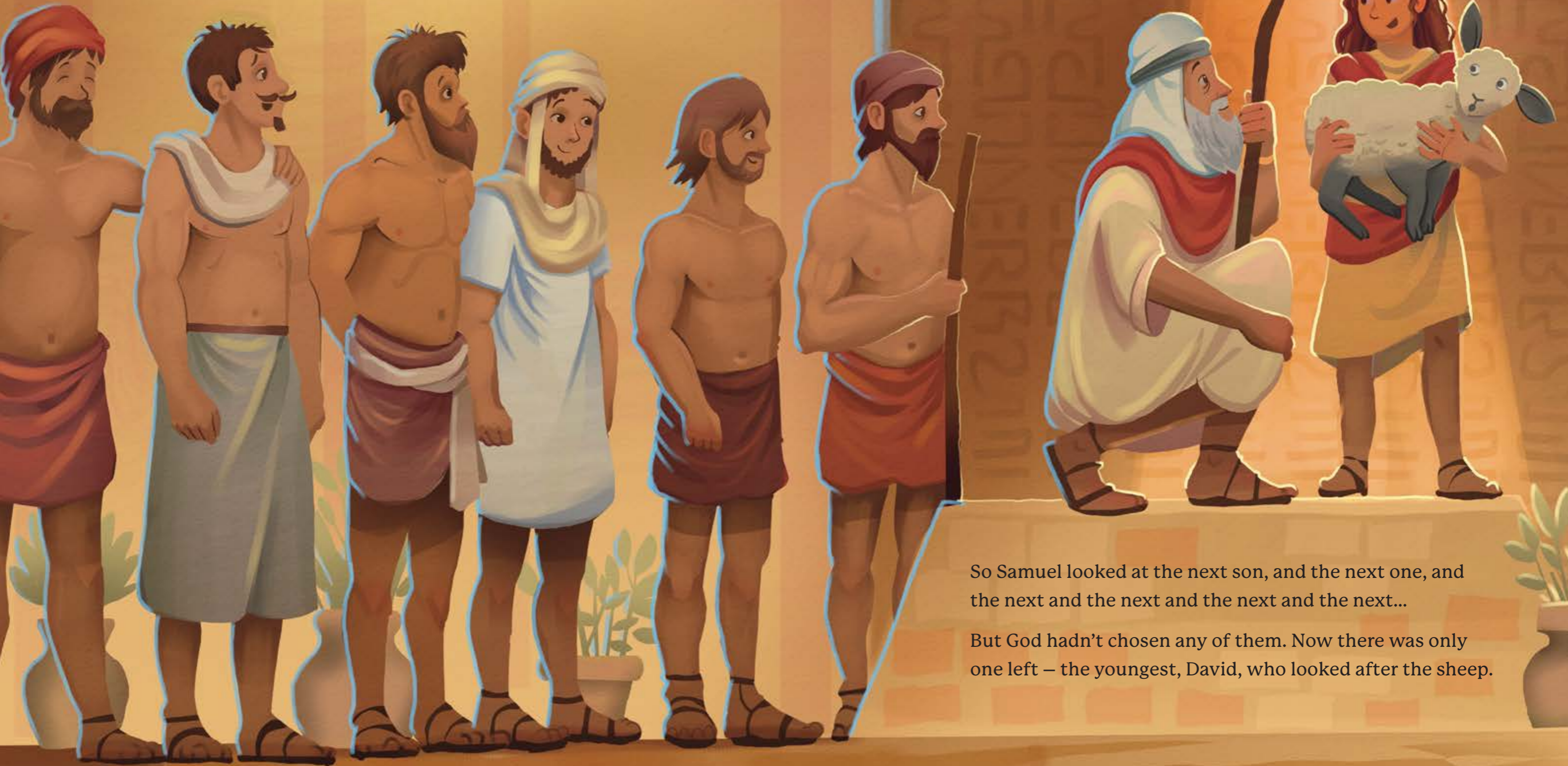
“Wow!” thought Samuel, as he looked at the tall, handsome man standing before him.

“Surely this is the man the Lord has chosen to be king.”

God had told Samuel that one of the sons of Jesse would be the next king of God’s people, the Israelites. But it wasn’t this one...

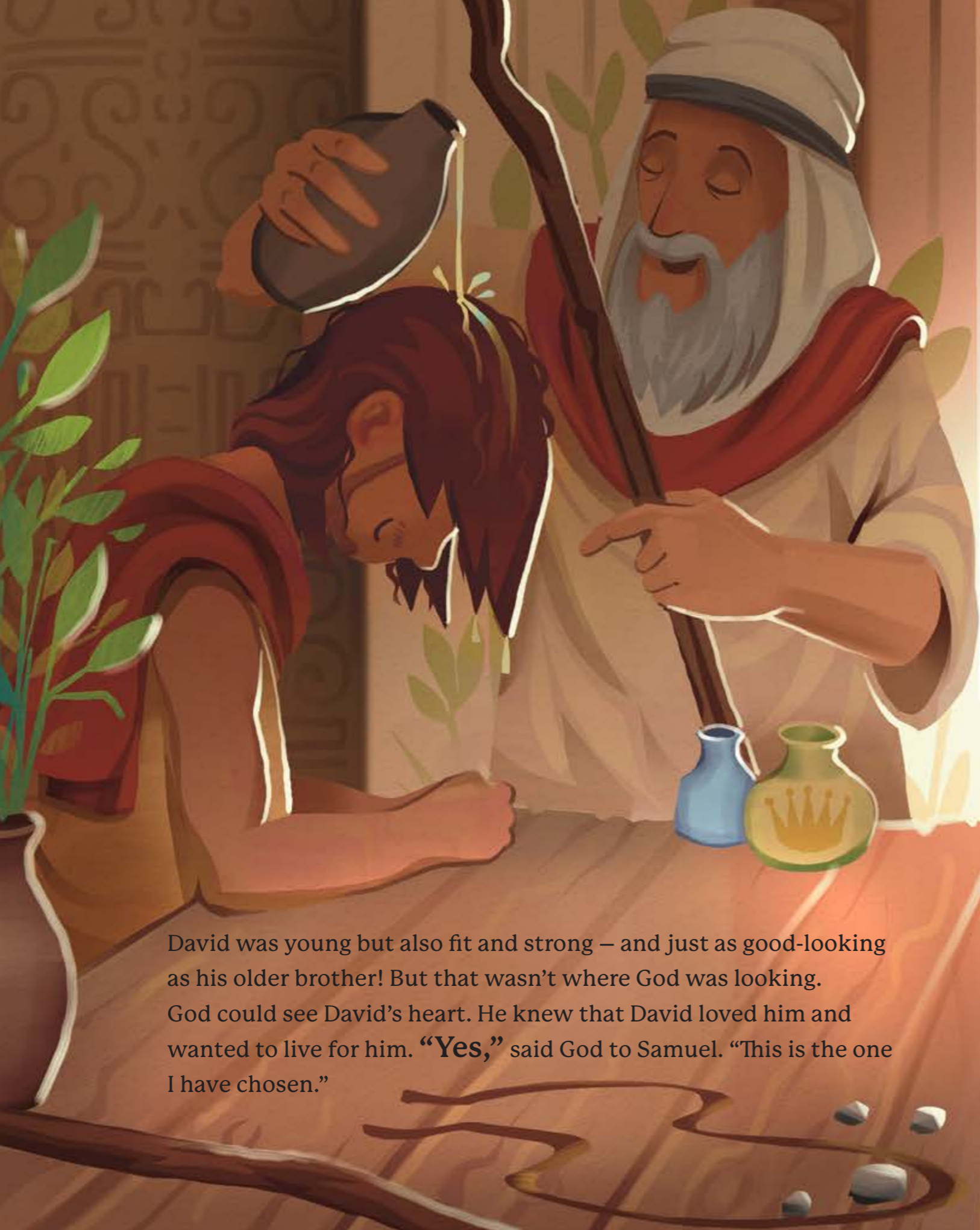


“You are looking at him in the wrong way,” God said. “I don’t look at the outside – at how strong or handsome someone is. I look at the inside. I see their **heart** – whether or not they love me and want to live for me. I have not chosen this man.”



So Samuel looked at the next son, and the next one, and the next and the next and the next and the next...

But God hadn’t chosen any of them. Now there was only one left – the youngest, David, who looked after the sheep.



David was young but also fit and strong – and just as good-looking as his older brother! But that wasn't where God was looking. God could see David's heart. He knew that David loved him and wanted to live for him. **"Yes,"** said God to Samuel. **"This is the one I have chosen."**

So Samuel **anointed** David by pouring some oil on David's head. This meant that David had been chosen as God's king.

But David wasn't king yet...

