

## ONE CONVERSATION

***Parents:** Begin your conversation with your student by discussing the context of this passage. Explain that although David had been anointed as king of Israel, Saul was still on the throne. First Samuel 16 tells the story of an unlikely deliverer in David slaying the giant, Goliath. While David's courageous actions are inspiring, help your student understand that the real hero of the story is God and the victory is His.*

*Ask your student if his or her daily life is marked more by confidence in God's power, or more by fear of circumstances? Share a circumstance in your own life when you faced fear and talk openly with your son or daughter about how God used this situation to shape you and help you rely more on God. Challenge your student to trust God and believe He is the One who wins the victory for His people, as the Central Truth states. Pray for your student as he or she goes to school and faces his or her own giants. Specifically pray for your student's confidence to be found in Christ, and that he or she will be a light for Him.*

## CENTRAL TRUTH

*God delivers those who trust in Him and believe He is the One who wins the victory for His people.*

## PERSONAL CHALLENGE

- › **Dwell:** We are like Israel—weak, afraid, and unable to deliver ourselves. Spend some time dwelling on the fact God does not deliver us according to our own abilities or achievements. He delivers those who trust in Him, who believe God is the living God who wins the victory for His people. God's victory through David reminds us that He is worthy of being known and enjoyed by all people.
- › **Memorize:** 1 Samuel 17:46
- › **Pray:** Thank God that He is our Deliverer. Express your gratitude for how you have experienced His deliverance in your own life. Ask Him to help you trust in Him so that He can work in and through you. Spend time praying for those who need to know God and ask for opportunities to make God's name known.