



**Adult Sunday
School at the
sanctuary**

**Lesson-4: Saul's
jealousy of David**

Date:

**31 July 2022
(Sunday)**

Time: 9.40am

Venue: Sanctuary

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(1) Watch video

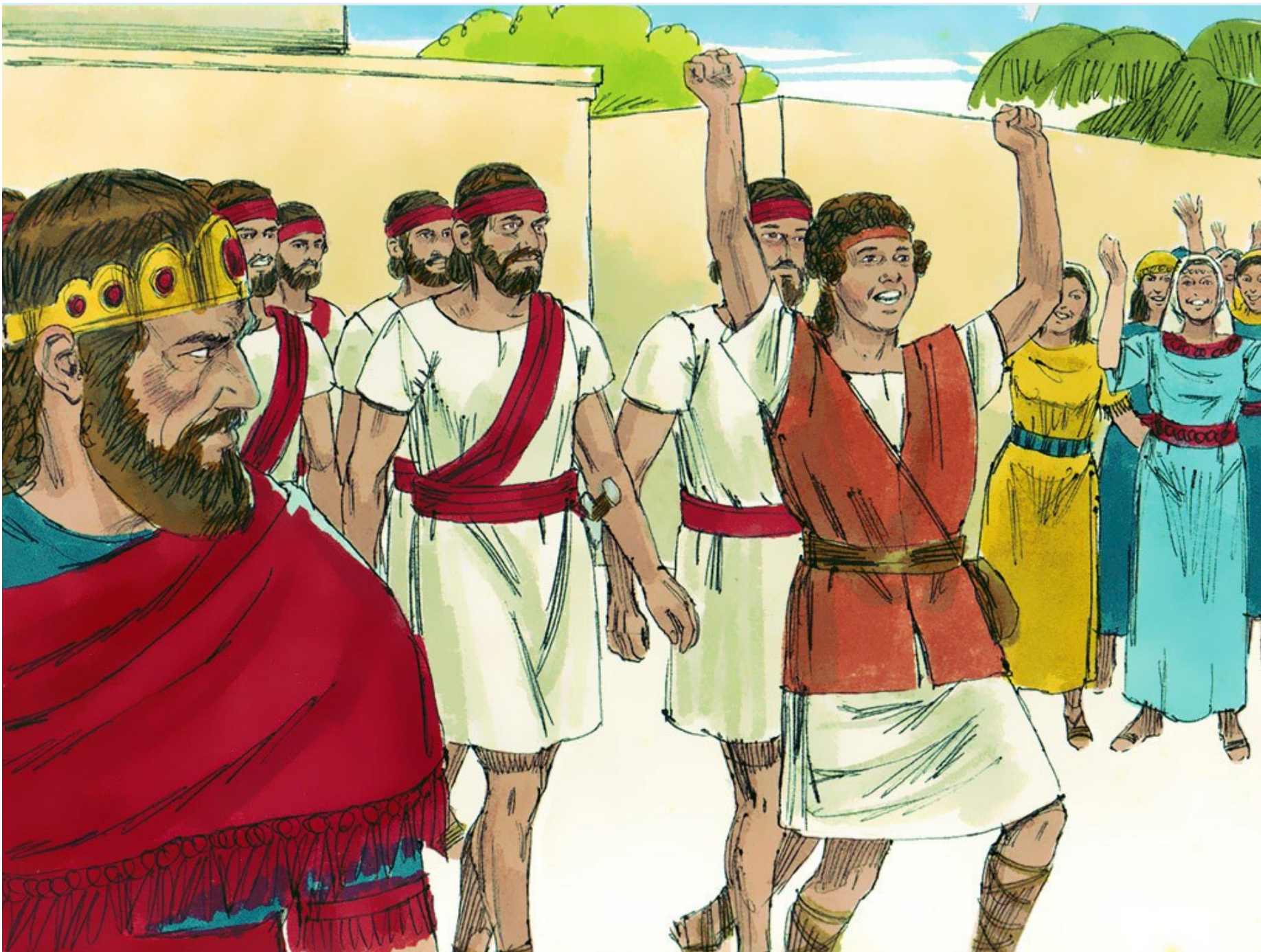
(1) Background: David defeated Goliath and the Philistines.

(1) David won many other battles for Saul. Saul gave him a high rank in the army.



Jonathan and David promise friendship

1 Samuel 18:1–20:42



(3) After David killed Goliath he returned as a hero and King Saul became very angry and jealous of him.

(1 Sam 18:7-9)



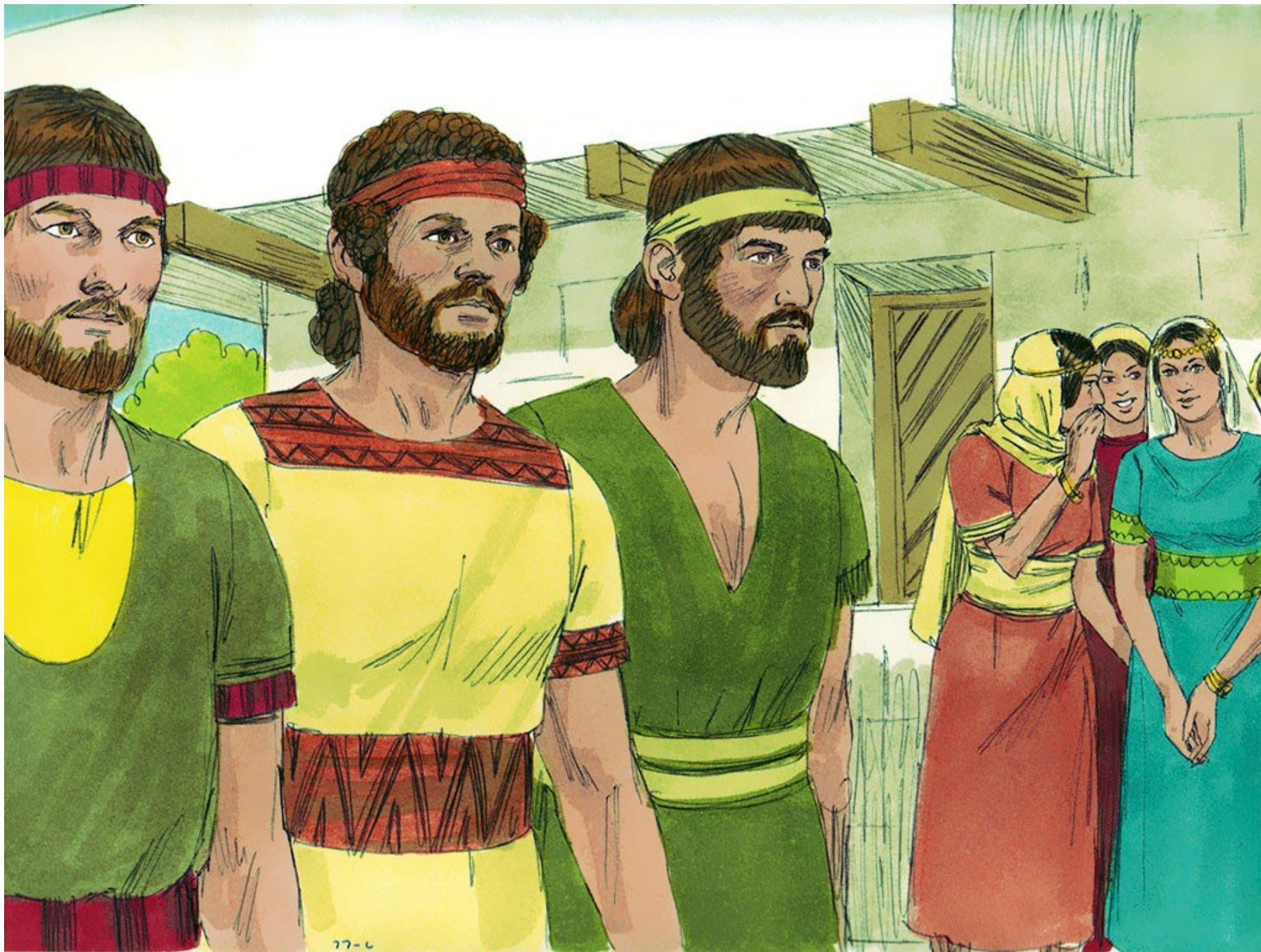
(4) The next day as David was playing the lyre, Saul had a spear in his hand. He hurled it saying, 'I'll pin him to the wall.' But David eluded him twice.

1 Sam 18:10-11



(5) Saul made David commander over a thousand men. The Lord was with David and he was victorious in battles making him even more popular.

1 Sam 18:12-16



(6) Now Saul's daughter Michal was in love with David, and when they told Saul about it, he was pleased.

(1 Sam 18:20-21)



(7) Saul offered his daughter Michal in marriage to David if he killed 100 Philistines.

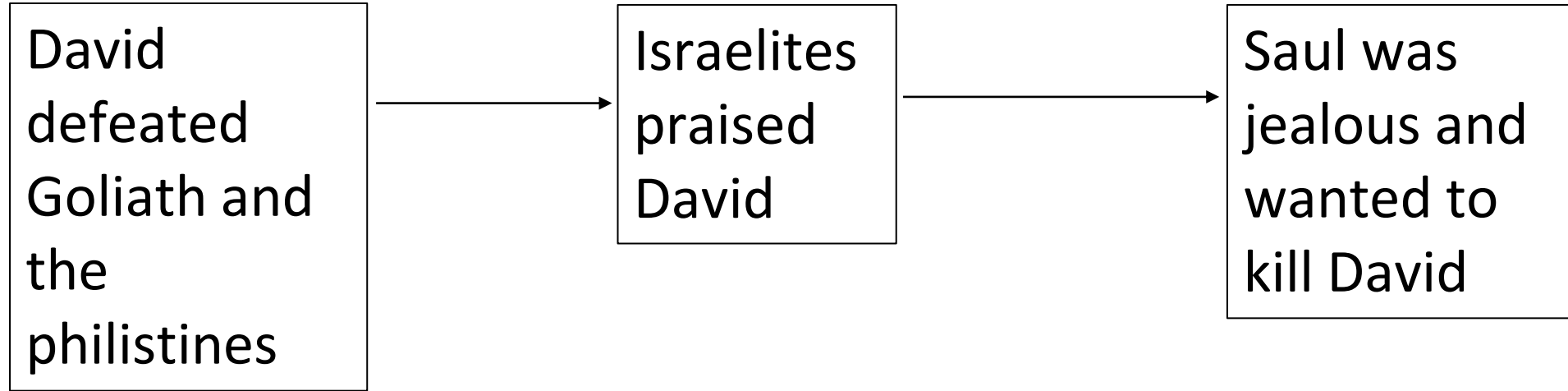
(8) David did not think himself worthy to become the King's son-in-law but took up the challenge.

(9) David was not killed by the Philistines as Saul hoped but returned in triumph and took Michal as his wife.

(10) Saul became afraid of David as he knew the Lord was with him.
(1 Sam 18: 24-30)

(11) Spiritual Lessons

(a) David won praises and Saul was jealous



- **Definition of Jealousy:** “feeling resentment against someone because of that person’s rivalry, success, or advantages” (Source: biblestudytools.com)
- **What does the Bible say about jealousy?**
- 1 Cor 3:3: “there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?”
- James 3:14-16: “But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.”
- Prov 14:30: “envy the rottenness of the bones.”

(d) Are we jealous of others?

(i) We are jealous of another person for:

(1) his/her big house/car,

(2) en-bloc sale,

(3) his/her children's academic results,

(4) career achievements and salary, or

(5) well respected service in church.

(6) etc...

(ii) We resent the achievement of another person and feel that we deserve that achievement more.

(iii) We are unable to be happy for the good things enjoyed by another person because of our jealousy and discontentment.

(e) How do we overcome our jealousy?

(i) Pray to God for forgiveness of our jealousy.

(ii) Apply “To rejoice with those who rejoice” (Romans 12:15)

(iii) Count our blessings and be content. “Godliness with contentment is great gain” (1 Timothy 6:6)

In groups of 2 to 4 persons:

(a) What should we do to overcome our own jealousy?

(a) What can we do to mitigate jealousy of others?

(a) Personal sharing