

## A CHILDREN'S THEATRE VERSION OF:

1 Samuel 18:20-27

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God technically, but also me

We open on the throne room of King Saul, there are three servants standing at his throne while the king sits angrily in his king-chair. A narrator - GOD comes out from Stage Left to speak to the audience

GOD

Hey, it's me, God. We are going to start our story in the throne room of King Saul, Saul is the first king of Israel and Judah, the son of Kish, of the family of the Matrites, and... a BIG OL' JERK!!

God exits Stage Right

KING SAUL

Servants!! What news do you have to bring to me?

SERVANT 1

My king! It is about your Daughter Michal, she is in love with David!

KING SAUL

David!? That boy that loves God, and respects everyone?? I hate him so much! I want David to be dead!

SERVANT 2

So, should we tell him that he will not marry Michal?

KING SAUL

No, I have a better Idea! Tell David that if he wants to marry my daughter, he must give me a prize in return!

King Saul laughs maniacally

SERVANT 3

What would that be, sir?

KING SAUL

It's simple! I only want one hundred Philistine foreskins!

SERVANT 2

One hundred Philistine foreskins?

KING SAUL

ONE HUNDRED PHILISTINE FORESKINS!! Now send him my message, at once!

The servants all nod and run out of the throne room, King Saul laughs to himself, the lights dim and the narrator - GOD - walks out again

GOD

Mean old King Saul hates David, and wants him to stay out of the royal family because David loves me too much!

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GOD (CONT'D)

So he is telling David to bring him one hundred philistine foreskins as a marriage gift, because Saul doesn't think that David could get that many foreskins without being killed! Well, let's see if David is up to the challenge!

The scene changes to an outside area, DAVID is standing with a group of 4 cool - Jesus loving- guys these are DAVID'S FRIENDS. They all have their swords out and are practicing sword swipes and praying.

DAVID

Man, I love practicing with you guys! And I love Michal! And I especially love God!!

They all laugh, biblically

The three servants run onstage up to David

SERVANT 3

David!

SERVANT 1

David!

SERVANT 2

David!

DAVID

What??

SERVANT 1

We bring news!

SERVANT 2

From King Saul!

SERVANT 3

It's about your marriage to Michal!

DAVID

What did he say?

SERVANT 1

He said that you can marry her, but you need to bring him a wedding gift!

DAVID

That sounds easy to do! But before you tell me what the wedding gift has to be, I'm going to drink some water!

David starts to drink from a cup of water

SERVANT 2

King Saul has asked that the wedding gift be something that will be dangerous to get

David is still drinking from his cup

SERVANT 3

Something that will be very dangerous to get

David is still just really chaqqing away at his cup

SERVANT 1

Something that will be so dangerous, it is impossible to get!

David has not stopped drinking from his cup

SERVANT 2

For the wedding gift, he wants you to bring him... ONE HUNDRED PHILISTINE FORESKINS!

David looks shocked, and does a huge spit-take to show how shocked he is! All of the water he's been drinking so far shoots out, and sprays the servants head to toe!

DAVID

ONE HUNDRED PHILISTINE FORESKINS!?!?

DAVID'S FRIENDS

What are you going to do David??

DAVID

That is a truly crazy request, but...

A spotlight beams on David
I have the power of God with me, so I can do anything!! Boys!
Let's get ready for a a fight!!

All of David's friends draw their swords and get ready, the servants scurry offstage
HEY PHILISTINES!!

David whistles loudly

YOU GUYS ARE STUPID AND US ISRAELITES ARE WAY COOLER!

PHILISTINE (OFFSTAGE)

Hey! Come on guys, let's kill them!!

8 philistine soldiers come onstage from Stage Right, yelling and angry, they charge at David and his group of friends

Every philistine that runs to David gets cut down by his sword, 8 more philistines run onstage, and get killed at David and his friend's feet. While this is happening, the lights dim and God - the narrator - walks out from Stage Left

GOD

David and his friends fought the Philistine's for a long time

A constant stream of philistines are coming from offstage, every one of them are killed, David and co. Remain fine

Since David loved me so much, I protected all of them in battle, so after many hours of fighting...

God walks offstage, the lights brighten, there are 25 dead philistine soldiers laying onstage in a pile, David and his friends are all fine

DAVID

We did it! We've killed 200 Philistines!

DAVID'S FRIENDS

And we are all okay, because you believe in God so much!

DAVID

That's right I do, now let's cut off these guys foreskins and bring them to the King!

DAVID'S FRIENDS

Okay!

The scene changes to King Saul's throne room again. The three servants are all standing next to King Saul, who is sitting in his throne

KING SAUL

Ha ha ha! I am such a genius! David is surely dead now, nobody can get one hundred foreskins, it's impossible! I am so smart! Laugh with me boys!

All three of the servants laugh alongside King Saul until David runs onstage with a huge bag over his shoulder, everyone gasps

EVERYONE

GASP

DAVID

King Saul, I have come to marry your daughter! You asked me to bring you one hundred philistine foreskins, but since I have God on my side, I have brought you...

David throws his bag to King Saul's feet TWO HUNDRED PHILISTINE FORESKINS!

King Saul opens the bag, looks at it's contents, and throws the bag down in anger

KING SAUL

Why you little!! I never thought you could do it but... a deal is a deal... Michal, come out here! Time to get married!

SERVANT 2

He's done it!

SERVANT 3

He is amazing!

SERVANT 1

He can do anything!

King Saul's daughter Michal comes onstage, she gives David a hug

DAVID

No... GOD can do anything!!

Everyone laughs

**EVERYONE** 

Ha ha ha!!

The lights dim and everyone freezes, God walks onstage

GOD

That's right, I can do anything! Well, our boy David sure showed grumpy old King Saul huh? I think we can all learn something from this little tale, Always trust in me, and foreskins are worth their weight in gold! Thank you for watching our little story. See you next time, and to all, a good night!

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