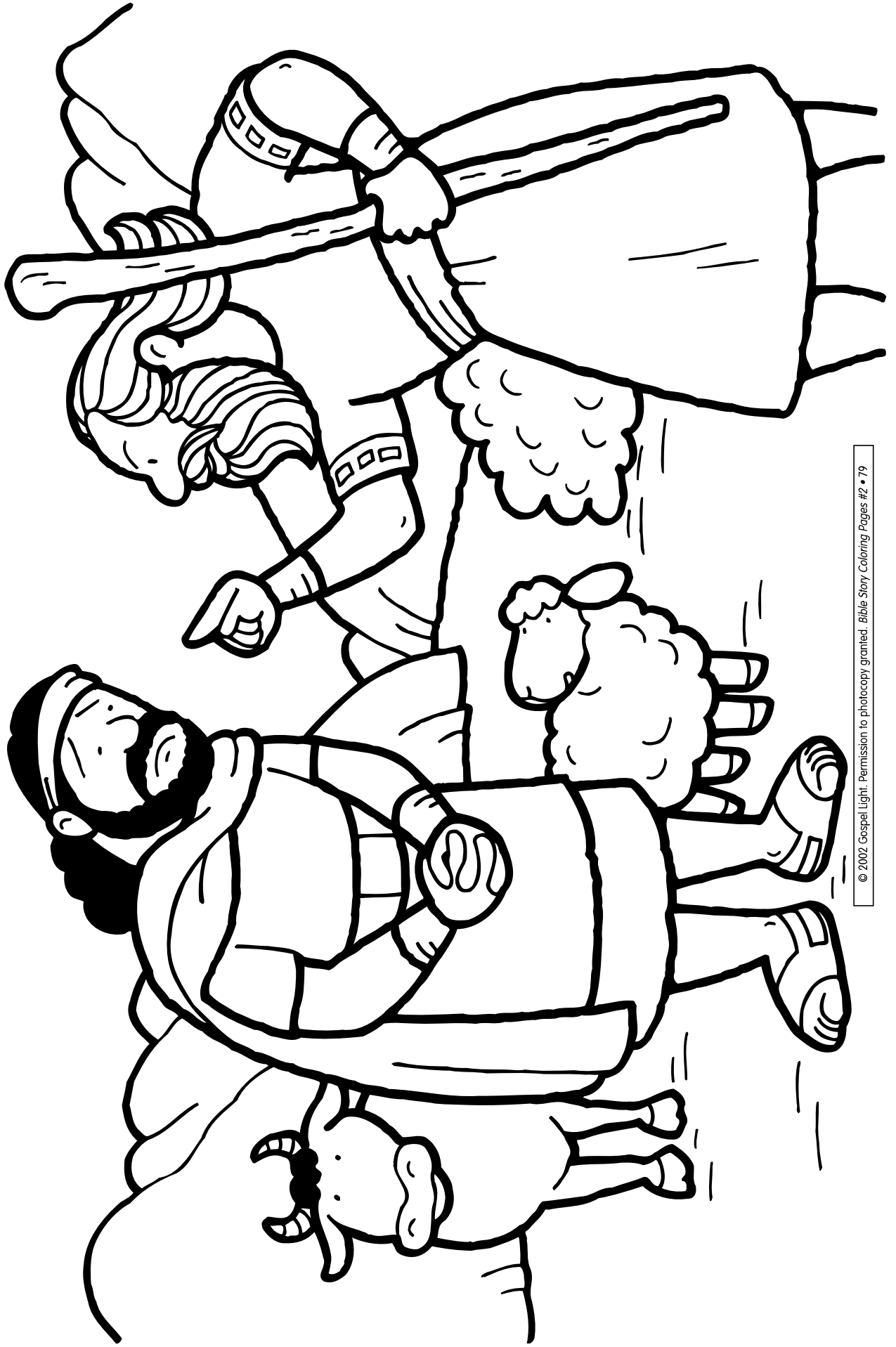


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One day, God gave Samuel a message for King Saul. Samuel told Saul, "God will help you win your battle against the enemy. But God says that after the battle, you must get rid of everything that belongs to the enemy. You may not keep anything!"

Saul led the Israelite army into battle. They won, just as God had said they would. But Saul decided to bring home some of the best cattle and sheep. He disobeyed God's command! God told Samuel what Saul had done. Samuel went to meet Saul as he was returning from the battle. Behind Saul, there were the cows and sheep walking along, mooing and baaing! They showed that Saul had disobeyed God.

Saul made many excuses about why he had disobeyed God. But Samuel told Saul that nothing is more important than obeying God. Samuel told Saul, "Because you didn't obey God, you will not be king much longer."

As Samuel walked away, Saul grabbed his robe to stop him. A piece of the robe tore off. Samuel said, "Just like you tore a piece from my robe, God has torn the kingdom from you. God doesn't lie or change His mind!" Saul was sorry, but he couldn't change what he had done. God still loved Saul, but He was not going to let Saul be king for much longer.