

SIMPLE OBJECTS / *1 Samuel 17:40*

God often uses simple, ordinary objects to accomplish his tasks in the world. It is important only that they be dedicated to him for his use. What do you have that God can use? Anything and everything is a possible “instrument” for him.

Object	Reference	Who Used It?	How Was It Used?
A staff	Exodus 4:2-4	Moses	To work miracles before Pharaoh
Horns	Joshua 6:3-5	Joshua	To flatten the walls of Jericho
A fleece	Judges 6:36-40	Gideon	To confirm God’s will
Horns, jars, and torches	Judges 7:19-22	Gideon	To defeat the Midianites
Jawbone	Judges 15:15	Samson	To kill 1,000 Philistines
Smooth stone	1 Samuel 17:40	David	To kill Goliath
Olive oil	2 Kings 4:1-7	Elisha	To demonstrate God’s power to provide
A river	2 Kings 5:9-14	Elisha	To heal a man of leprosy
Linen belt	Jeremiah 13:1-11	Jeremiah	As an object lesson of God’s wrath
Clay jar	Jeremiah 19:1-13	Jeremiah	As an object lesson of God’s wrath
Iron griddle, water, and food	Ezekiel 4:1-17	Ezekiel	As an object lesson of judgment
Five loaves and two fish	Mark 6:30-44	Jesus	To feed a crowd of more than 5,000 people