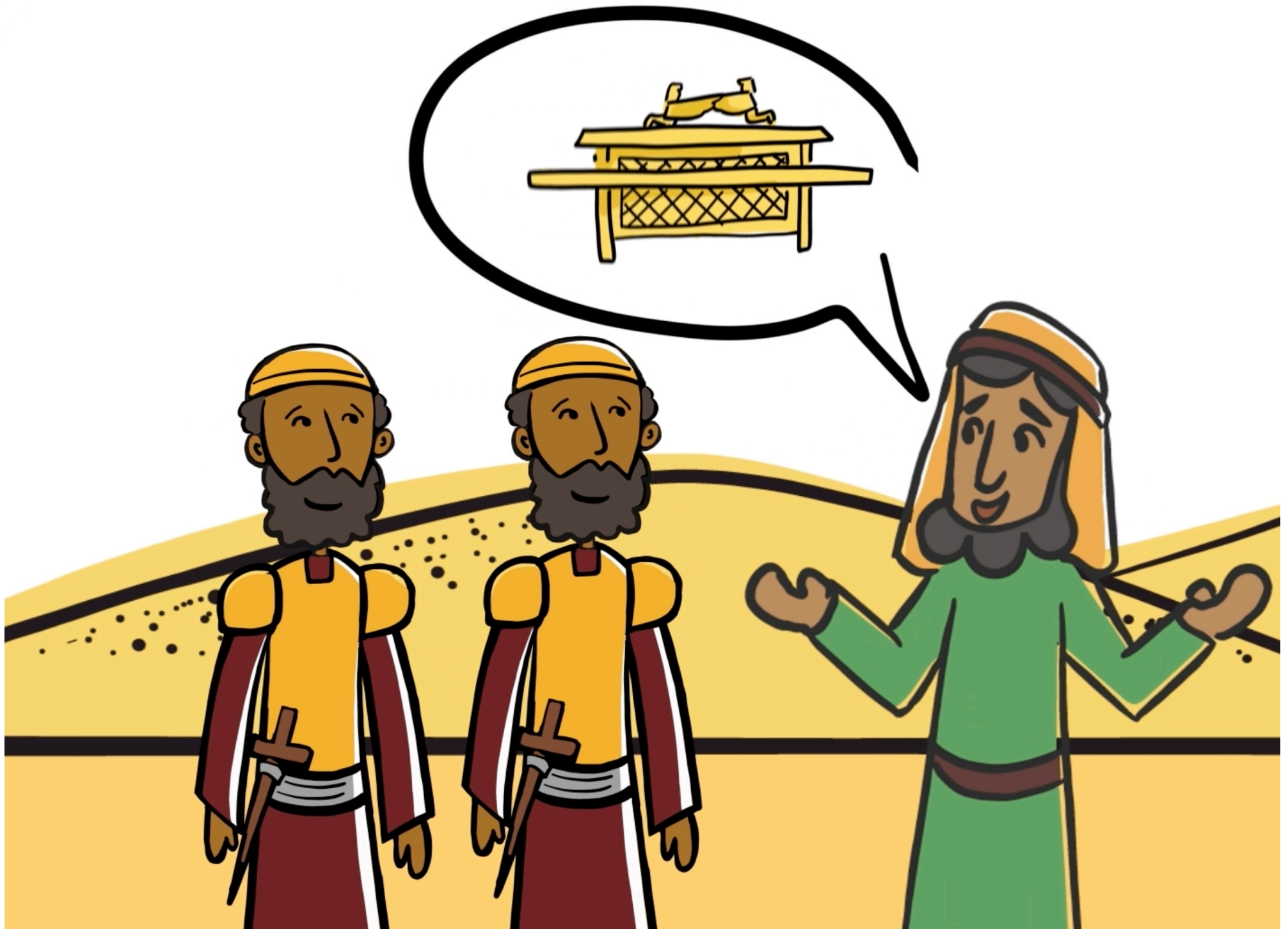
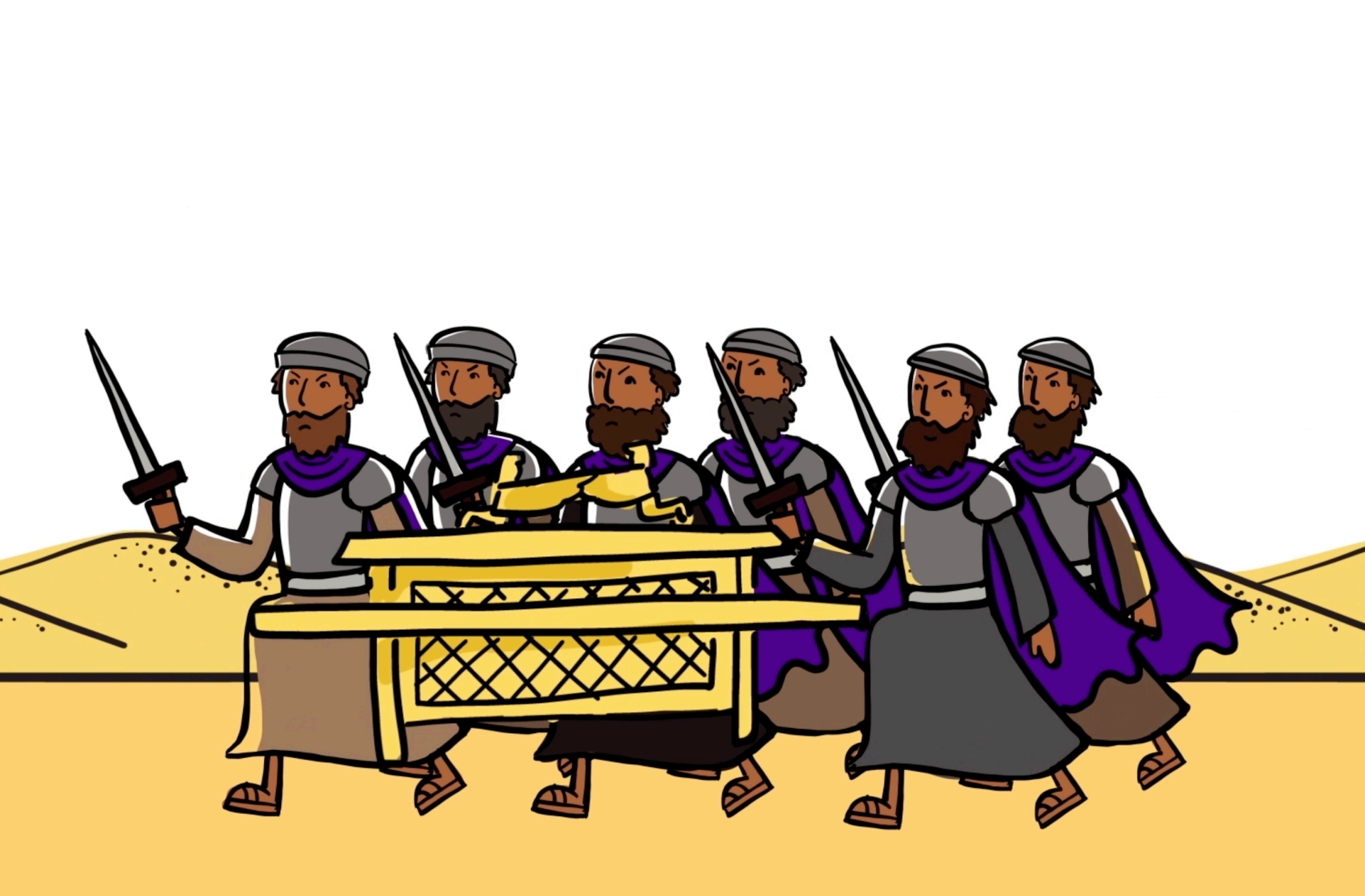




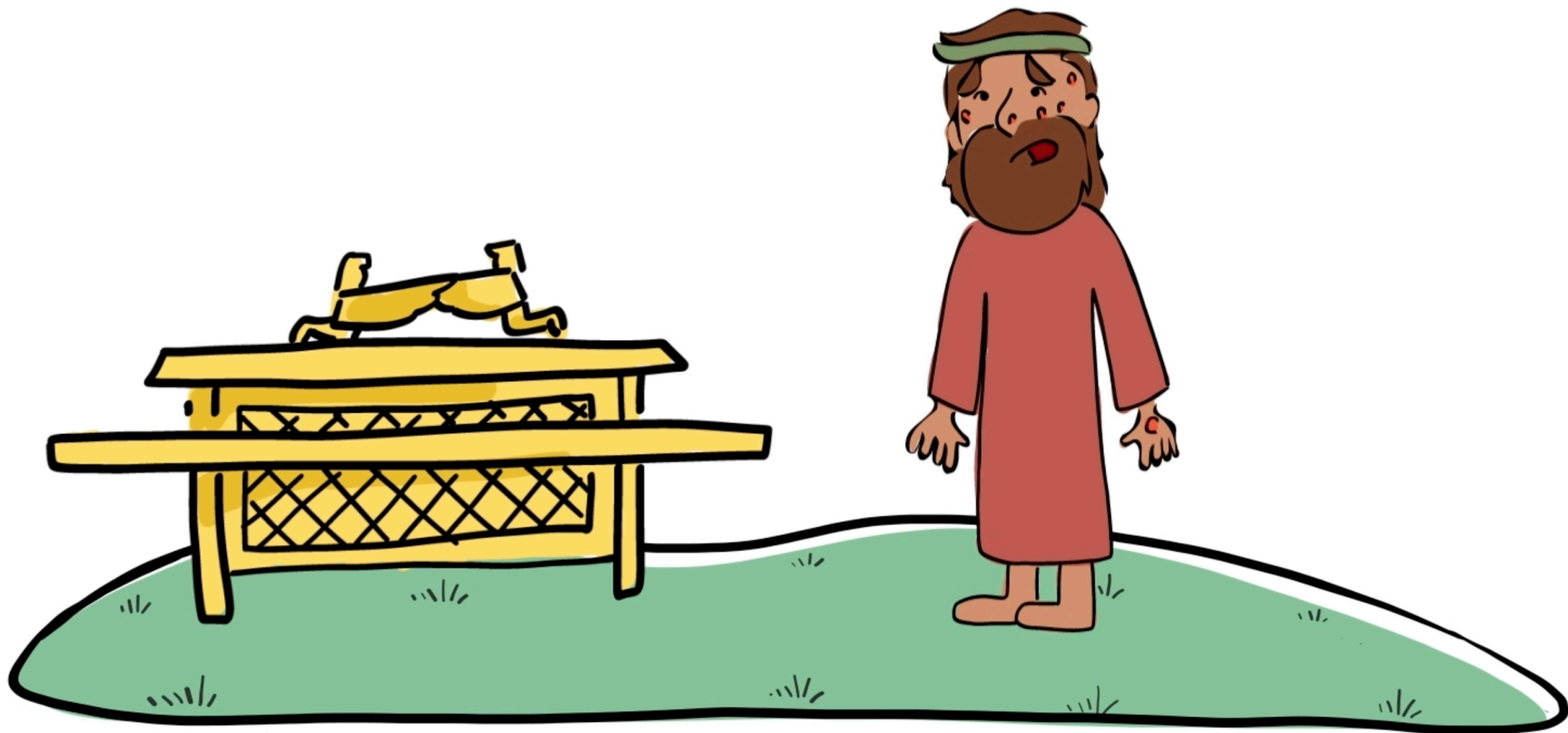
God's people were confused. They fought the Philistines and lost. Why didn't God help them win?



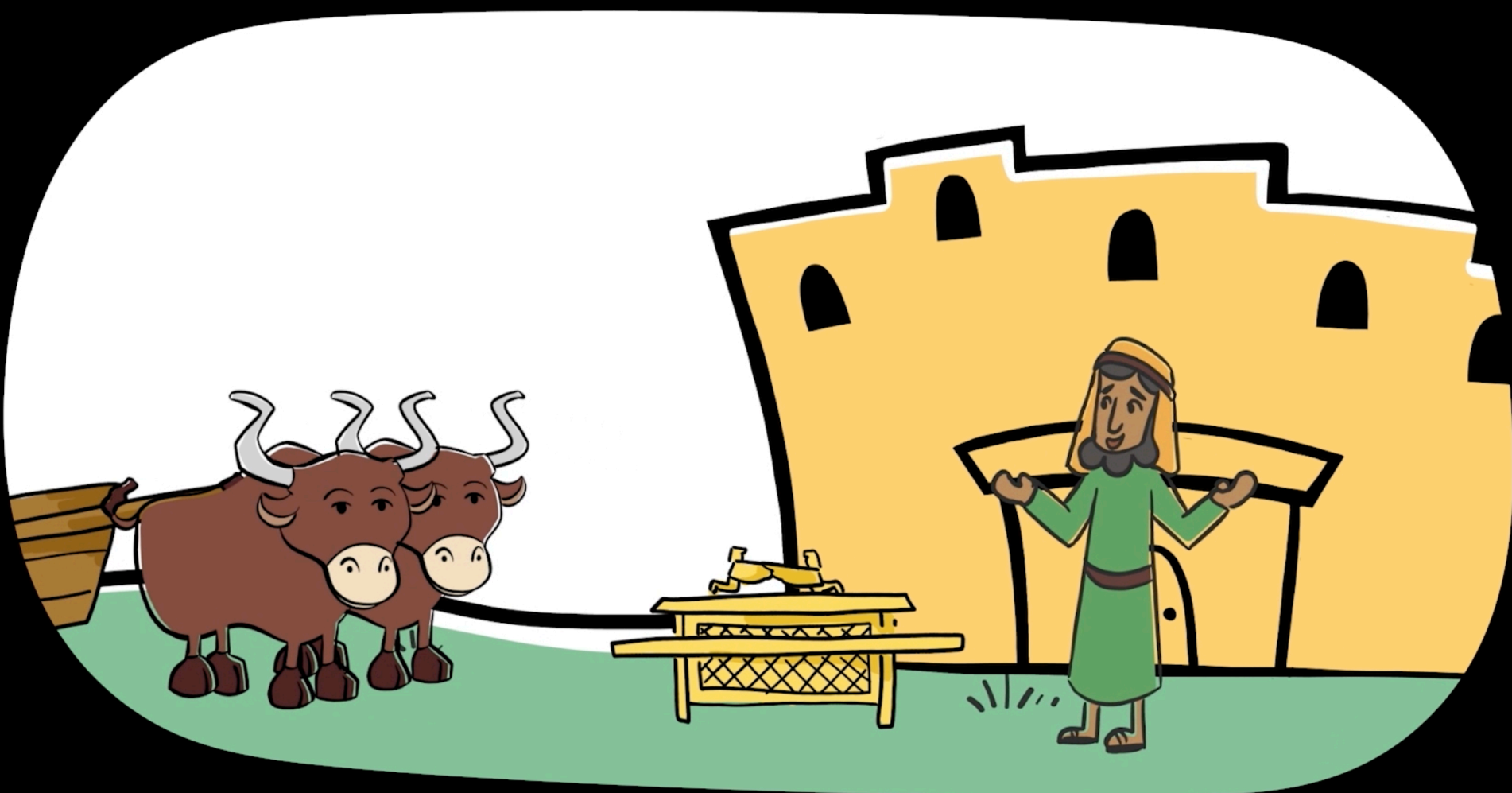
Then the Israelites had an idea. They thought if they took a special box called the ark of God to the battle, they would win.



Eli's sons took the ark to the battle. But again, the Philistines won. They even took the ark away with them!



God showed the Philistines that He is the real God. God made the Philistines sick. They were scared and wanted to give the ark back to the Israelites. They put the ark on a cart pulled by two cows and sent it back to the Israelites, where it belonged.



the **GOSPEL** PROJECT.

PRESCHOOL

Christ Connection: The ark was special, but later God gave people something even better: His Son, Jesus. Jesus reminds us that God is always with us

2-3 AND 4-5 Year Old Questions

1. What was your favorite part of today's Bible story?
2. What did you learn about God in today's Bible story?
3. Why do you think the statue of the false god, Dagon, fell down?

ELEMENTARY

Christ Connection: God is holy and punished the Israelites and Philistines for misusing the ark. All people sin and deserve God's judgment, but Jesus took that judgment when He died on the cross. All who trust in Jesus are forgiven of sin and saved from judgment.

Elementary 4 Questions

1. What did you like about today's story?
2. What did you find confusing?
3. What did you learn about people?
4. What did you learn about God?