KING DAVID WAS A GROWN MAN WHEN HE KILLED GOLIATH

1Sam. 17:31-51 David and Goliath (key verse 38 in regards to David's size). Then Saul clothed David with his garments and put a bronze helmet on his head, and he clothed him with armor. Most people tend to think that David was a little man but the scriptures make it abundantly clear that he was a huge man. Saul stood a head above ALL the other Hebrew men, so obviously he was a very big man. Saul offered David his armor and David PUT IT ON. If David was a regular sized man he would not have been able to put on Saul's armor. **David put it on but didn't feel comfortable with it because he had probably never wore armor before.** That's the reason David took it off. David would have been at least 6 feet tall (at least 180lbs) and around 18-19 years of age.

The **"for you are but a youth"** part of verse 33 doesn't mean he was a child. In Hebrew, no man could be a soldier unless he was at least twenty years old. For that reason, any man under that age was considered a youth. That is why David was considered a youth. He was a big man but he was under twenty years of age.

Another verse that is puzzling to many is verse 40 ***chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook.***

Why did David choose five stones from the brook?

He did so because Goliath had four brothers.

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