

Five Little Pebbles.

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(I SAMUEL xvii. 40.)

I.

FIVE little pebbles lay in a
brook,

Five little pebbles hid in a nook.

“What are we good for?” one said
to the other.

“Little or nothing, I’m thinking,
my brother.”

Wearing away, day after day,

It seemed that forever those pebbles
might stay.

2.

If they were flowers, ever so gay,
Doubtless someone would take them

away ;

Or if they were big stones that
builders could use,

Perhaps then some builder those
stones would choose.

Wait, little pebbles, rounded and
clean,

Long in your loneliness, lying unseen,
God has a future a-waiting for
you,

Five little pebbles, sturdy and true.

3.

Five little pebbles hid in a brook,
David came down and gave them a
look,

Picked them up carefully out of the
sand ;

Five *little* pebbles *great* in his hand.

“ Hark ! ” there is shouting, there’s
fighting to-day,

Boldly these pebbles are borne to
the fray ;

One of them chosen and put in a
sling—

Could we have thought that a stone
could thus wing ?

4.

Onward it sped, with a might not
its own,

Onward it sped, by the shepherd
boy thrown ;

Swift as an arrow, straight as a
dart,

For the whole nation that stone
played its part,

Striking the giant's great terrible
head,

Laying him low—a mighty man
dead.

5.

Five little pebbles lay in a brook,
Mentioned with honour in God's

Holy Book.

Be thou a pebble, contented and
low,

Ever kept clean by His mercy's
pure flow,

Hidden and ready till Jesus shall
look,

And choose *you*, and use *you*, a
stone from the brook.

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