

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** The goal of this series is to teach kids how to live out their faith in the day-to-day, talking with God in the everyday moments without it feeling like faith is something to check off a to-do list.

Each week will follow a theme and have a list of suggestions that can be slotted into your daily routine. Please don't feel pressured to do everything! Pick a couple of things you think your kids will enjoy. This isn't meant to be a sit down lesson, but easy-to-put-together activities that can be done whenever you have a chance. A lot of the content is play based, using games as a tool to get kids thinking about God and creating intentional conversations.

## WEEK THREE: God is... our King

**Aim:** For kids to understand God is our King. We follow His authority. His example was to serve others; we should serve others too.

### Memory Verse

Mark 10:45 NLT "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many"

#### Suggestions:

- Create a poster of the verse. Post it in your room or somewhere you go often.
- Create actions for the verse; if you need ideas of actions you can look up the sign language for different words.
- Write the verse out and then cut it into pieces to make a puzzle.

### Things to do...

#### Suggestions:

- Play Simon Says.
- Do something nice for a friend or a neighbour. Offer to help them with some yard work, or drop off a card to encourage them.
- Make & decorate a crown (templates are available online).
- Design a castle. Draw your ideas or build your castle from blocks or Lego.
- Play dress up. Dress up like Kings and Queens.

- Go for a walk, look for road signs. What do they mean? Talk about the rules we have to follow. Why are the rules there? What kind of rules does God ask us to follow? Why?
- Play chess. (There are online chess sets and tutorials.) The king in chess is the most important piece. The game ends when the king is out of play.
- Play a card game. (There are lots of games depending on your child's age.) In many card games, the king is the highest card.
- Host a banquet fit for a King. Plan a dinner with some of your favourite foods. You could decorate the table and look up online tutorials on how to fold napkins into animal shapes. If you did the dress up activity, combine the two and wear your dress up clothes to dinner. Take turns serving one another.

### Things to watch...

#### Suggestions:

- Right Now Media has some great resources. If you don't have an account, please email the church and we'll set you up with a free login.
  1. Superbook, Season 1, episode 8, The First Christmas.
  2. Superbook, Season 1, episode 10, The Last Supper (Jesus washes his disciples' feet)
- The Chronicles of Narnia. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Based on the book by C.S Lewis, the movie is rated PG (available on Disney+). A great discussion starter for this topic and can open up conversation about other parts of the gospel too.

### Things to read...

#### Suggestions:

- The story of Jesus washing the disciples feet (John 13:1-17)  
Washing feet was a servant's role; is that how you would expect a king to act?  
What does Jesus' example teach us about how we should live?

### Things to talk/think about...

#### Suggestions:

- What are the qualities of a King?
- What does it mean for God to be our King?
- As our King, what rules does God ask us to follow? Why are the rules there?
- Am I living like God is the King? (Following His example and respecting His rules) Or do I live like I'm the king of my life?
- How am I following Jesus' example and loving and serving others? What else can I do to love the people around me?