

WEEK 1 | May 05, 2024

Today's Bible Story: I can hear from God. King Josiah • 2 Chronicles 34

Memory Verse: "I will always love you." Jeremiah 31:3, CEV

Key Question: Who loves you? **Bottom Line:** God loves me. **Basic Truth:** God loves me.

SOCIAL: Time to have fun!

ACTIVITY: Royal Dress-Up

What You Need: Dress-up clothes (fancy dress-up clothes, including king and queen clothes),

toy crowns, preschool dress-up jewelry, and a preschool-safe mirror

What You Do: Place the mirror, dress-up clothes, and jewelry in your activity area.

What You Say: "It was fun to dress up in fancy clothes and pretend to be kings and queens.

Today we're going to hear a story about a king! I can't wait for you to hear it!"

Large Group: Time to Praise & Worship God!

Memory Verse: Teach/Review Memory Verse with Motions. **Worship:** Inviting people to respond to God.

Story: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways.

SMALL GROUP: Time to connect with the children. PRAYER: Praise God! Thank God!

CRAFT: Crowned

What You Need: "Crowned" Activity Page, cardstock, sentence strips, metallic foil confetti, glue sticks, washable markers, stapler, washi tape, small bowls, scissors, and a permanent marker

What You Do: Copy "Crowned" on cardstock and cut, one per child. Write each child's name on their crown. Pour confetti into several bowls.

What You Say: "First, glue your crown cutout to this strip of paper. (Pause.) Great! Now use the markers to decorate your crown. (Pause.) See these shapes on your crown? (Point.) These can be fancy jewels! Rub the glue on these shapes. Now sprinkle this shiny confetti on top. (Pause.) Let me fit

your crown to your head. (Measure, cut if needed, and staple.) Cover the staple bend with a piece of tape, and you're ready to wear your crowns!"

"Today in our Bible Story, we learned about a young king named Josiah. He loved God and wanted to hear from God, so he read God's words. God gave US a book called the Bible where we can hear from God too. The Bible is full of stories and words from God about who God is, how we should live, and how much God loves us. Who loves you? [Bottom Line] God loves you!"

ACTIVITY: We Found It!



What You Need: Bible, red construction paper, and scissors

What You Do: Cut a heart from a piece of red construction paper and put it inside a Rible

What You Say: "In our Bible Story today, King Josiah's workers found scrolls with God's words on them. Scrolls are like books, and the scrolls King Josiah's workers found had God's words on them! King Josiah was so happy he could read the words and hear from God! (Hold up Bible.) The Bible has God's words in it. When we read the Bible, we can hear from God too!

"Close your eyes while I hide the Bible. We can look for it and find it—like King Josiah's workers did. (Hide the Bible.) Okay, let's look for the Bible. (Look together to find the Bible.) We found it! Let's open the Bible so we can hear from God. (Open the Bible and hold up the heart.) [Bottom Line] God loves me! Say that with me. [Bottom Line] God loves me! Okay, close your eyes and I will hide the Bible again. (Repeat as desired.) Friends, that was so fun finding the Bible and hearing God's words!"