

# SOLOMON'S SIN DIVIDES THE TEMPLE



**Bible Reference: 1 Kings 10-12**

**Date: 8/24/25**

**Grade: PreK /Kindergarten**

**2nd Service**

## **Memory Verse:**

"The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

**God Is...**

**OUR  
ETERNAL  
KING**

## **Schedule**

- **Welcome/Arrival.....10:45-10:55**
- **Story Station (LG2).....11:00-11:20**
- **Project Station (Classroom).....11:25-11:45**
- **Game Station (LG1).....11:50-12:10**
- **Back to Classroom:.....12:15**
  - **Dismissal**

## **Notes and Reminders**

**This is our last Summer Sunday of 2025! Thank you so much for your willingness to serve the children of LEFC this summer! As we prepare for the fall, would you continue to pray with us that God will continue to help the children in our church know Him better each day?**



**SUMMER SUNDAYS 2025**

# OUTLINE



## Welcome and Arrival

10:45-10:55

Welcome the children and mark them as present on the attendance sheet on the clipboard by the door.

Choose one or several of the following activities to organize as the children arrive.

### Form groups of Children

- Invite the children to sit in the middle of the room. Instruct children move to either side of the room based on various characteristics (i.e. number of siblings, color of hair, eyes, style of clothing, favorite food, sport, team, animal, gender). Once the children are on opposite sides of the room, help them count to determine which group has more children. Call out, "Jesus is the perfect King" to signal that the children should return to the middle of the room. Play several rounds.
- SAY We learned a lot about each other during that activity. We are all different in some ways. We look different and we like different things. I didn't like it when we were divided into two groups. I like it best when we are all together. In today's story, King Solomon sinned, and the Kingdom of Israel was divided. That was not good. We sin too and that is why God sent us Jesus. Jesus is a perfect King who brings God's people together.

### Observe Oil and Water

- Post an allergy alert. Lay a large towel on a table. Fill a plastic dishpan half full of water and place it on the towel. Fill a small plastic bowl one-third full of vegetable oil and place the bowl and plastic medicine droppers beside the dishpan. Assist preschoolers with putting on smocks over their clothes. Show preschoolers how to use the droppers to collect oil. Then, guide them to place drops of oil in the water. Guide them to observe how the oil does not sink or mix with the water, it stays divided in the water.
- SAY We see how the oil and water stay separated. They are divided. We learned in the Bible story that the kingdom of Israel was divided. Jeroboam ruled over the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Solomon's son only ruled over the Southern Kingdom of Judah. Solomon sinned, and Israel was divided into two kingdoms. God's people needed a perfect king. God sent His Son, Jesus, to be King. Jesus is a perfect King who brings God's people together.



### Work Puzzles

- Place a few puzzles from your room's closet on a table or the floor. Invite preschoolers to work puzzles. When a child selects a puzzle, mention that it is easy to see the picture when the puzzle is put together. As he takes the puzzle pieces out, comment that the picture is not whole any more, but is being divided. Assist children as needed in putting the puzzle back together.
- **SAY** The puzzle is divided into different pieces. We put the puzzles together. In our Bible story, Solomon sinned, and Israel was divided into two kingdoms. God's people needed a perfect king. God sent His Son, Jesus, to be King. Jesus is a perfect King who brings God's people together.

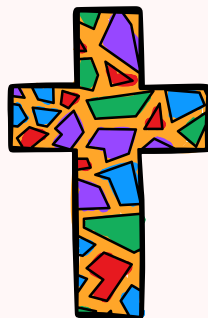
**Story Station (Large Group 2).....11:00-11:20**

### Project Station (Classroom)

**11:25-11:45**

#### Make a Mosaic Cross

- Provide a "Cross" printable, colored tissue paper, and glue for each child. Demonstrate how to rip the colored paper into small pieces, and then glue the pieces to the cross. When finished, the inside of each child's cross should be filled by various colored paper pieces like a mosaic.
- **SAY** When our paper was torn, it looked ruined. But then we glued those torn paper pieces inside the cross and created something beautiful! When King Solomon sinned, it divided the Kingdom of Israel. We sin too, and that makes God sad. When Jesus died on the cross, He took the punishment for our sin. God shows us mercy. Remember, mercy is when God does not give us the punishment that we deserve.





Discuss what the children learned during the Bible Story today. Use the main Takeaways as a guide to your discussion.

- God is our Eternal King!
- Jesus is a perfect King – better than any earthy king.
- A divided heart leads to sin and trouble.
- A divided heart is worshiping God **AND** something else (even if it's a good thing!).
- We want to worship God only!

Sample Questions:

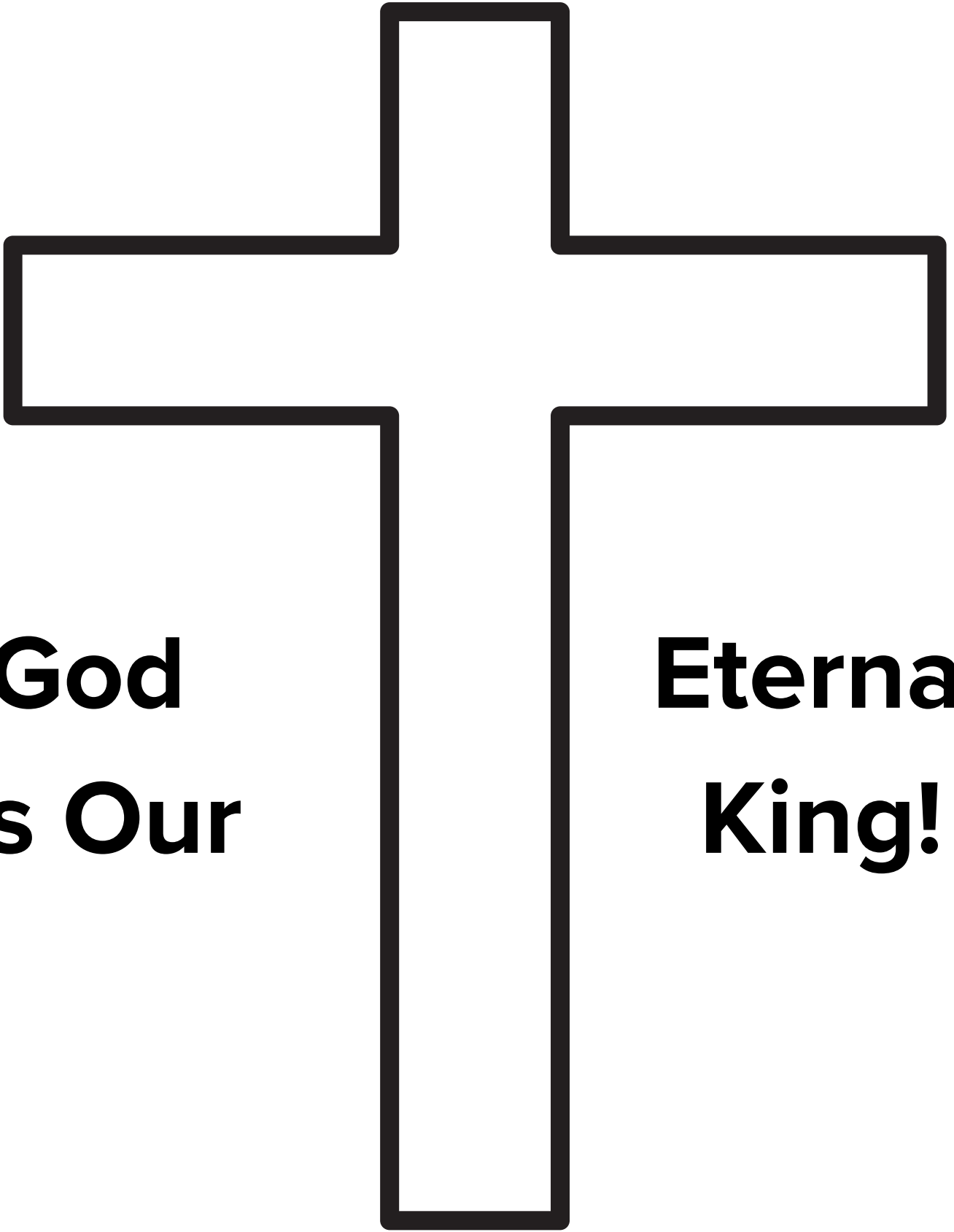
- How do we know that God is eternal?
- Why can we trust Jesus?
- How can we stay away from sin and trouble?
- Why should we worship God only?

**Game Station (Large Group 1) .....11:50–12:10**

**Back to Classroom .....12:15**

**Dismissal!**





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