

**Large Group Leader:**

| <b>Time</b>        | <b>What to Do</b>  | <b>Materials</b> |
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| 10 minutes         | Set up Computer with songs on Youtube, google slides powerpoint for today  |                  |
| 3 minutes          | Start timer. Invite classes to join  | Timer video      |
| 2 minutes          | Welcome kids<br><br>Collect the offering: For wells in Africa  | Offering bag     |
| 2 minutes          | <p>Call to worship:</p> <p>Leader: Hey everyone! Who is the King we're here to worship today?<br/>People: Jesus is our King!</p> <p>Leader: Is Jesus a mean king or a loving King?<br/>People: A loving King!</p> <p>Leader: What kind of King helps people, loves people, and is always with us?<br/>People: King Jesus!</p> <p>Leader: Can we follow King Jesus with our hearts and our actions?<br/>People: Yes, we can!</p> <p>Leader: Let's give our King our songs, our smiles, and our praise!<br/>People: We love you, King Jesus!</p> <p>All: Let's worship our King!</p> | Bible            |
| 10 minutes singing | I Believe – Do from 0:00-1:30 (1st verse and chorus) We are going to make a video soon. I got a different key for us to sing.  | Video            |
| 2 minutes          | New memory verse! Say it together. There is a  |                  |

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|           | song to help learn the memory verse. See slide from right now media   |            |
|           | Other songs off of youtube if you wish (suggestion: king of <del>kings</del> me)  |            |
|           | Tell the story – Page 9   |            |
| 3 minutes | Watch the video of the story  | powerpoint |
|           | Ask questions:<br>Who did the people reject as their king?<br>Who did the people choose as their king?<br>Who is the perfect king?  |            |
|           | Questions from Kids video: Why was Jesus known as king? Have you accepted Jesus as the king of your life?   |            |
| 2 minutes | Pray with the kids<br><br>Dear God,<br>Thank you for being a good and perfect King who rules over everything. Help us follow Your Son, Jesus, and trust in Him to be saved. Amen.       |            |
| 1 minute  | Do the blessing with them:<br>May the Lord Bless You and Keep you.<br>May he make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you His favour and give you peace.” |            |



## LEARN the Bible Story

### 1 TELL THE BIBLE STORY: VIDEO OR STORYTELLER (10 minutes)

Open your Bible to 1 Samuel 7:15–10:27. Use the Bible storytelling tips to help you tell the story, or show the Bible story video “The Israelites Wanted a King.” Use the bold text to retell or review the story.

#### THE ISRAELITES WANTED A KING

“When Samuel grew old, he made his sons judges over Israel. Sadly, Samuel’s sons did not follow his example. They were bad leaders of God’s people.”

The elders of Israel went to Samuel and said, “You are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Give us a king to be our ruler, just as all the other nations have.”

Samuel prayed to the Lord. God said, “They have not rejected you; they have rejected me as their king. Listen to them, but also warn them about the power a king has over the people he rules.”

Samuel went to the people and said, “Here are the things a king will do. He will take your sons to join his army. He will take your daughters to serve in his house. He will take your best fields and give them to his servants. He will take a tenth of your crops and your flocks. You will cry out for help, but the LORD will not answer you.”

The people refused to listen to Samuel. “No! We must have a king over us,” they said.

God told Samuel, “Listen to the people, and appoint a king for them.”

Now, there was an impressive young man named Saul who was a head taller than everyone else in Israel. One day, his father’s donkeys wandered off, and Saul was sent to find them. After looking for several days, Saul’s servant recommended they ask Samuel for help.

Before Saul met Samuel, God told Samuel that He would send him a man to rule over His people. God said this man would save His people from the Philistines. When Samuel saw Saul, the Lord said, “This is the man who will be king over my people Israel.” Samuel took a flask of oil and anointed Saul as the future king. Saul then returned home and said nothing to his family about it.

Later, Samuel called all the people together. One by one, the tribes, clans, and families of Israel came before Samuel, and Saul was selected as king. They searched for him everywhere and could not find him. Then the Lord said, “There he is, hidden with the supplies.”

When the people saw how tall and impressive Saul was, they shouted, “Long live the king!” Samuel appointed Saul as king, and then he sent all the people home.

#### STORYTELLING TIPS

**Make a list:** On a dry erase board, write down ways an earthly king can use his power. Then write down how God rules with words such as *kind, all-powerful, forgiving, just, merciful, generous, etc.*

**Make a felt board:** Use a felt board to tell the story. If a felt board is not available to you, print off pictures and display them on a dry erase board as you tell the story.



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Christ Connection: The Israelites rejected God as King and chose Saul to be their king. When we sin, we also reject God’s rule in our lives as King. Jesus, the King of kings, died for our sin and rose again so we could be forgiven. ”

2 REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY

SAY “ Samuel was a prophet of the Lord who spoke to the people on behalf of God and who also spoke to God on behalf of the people. What did the people of Israel tell Samuel they wanted? [Allow responses.] The people of Israel wanted a king like the other nations. But the kings of other nations were not good and loving like God. The earthly kings used their power however they wanted. God is a kind King who uses His power for our good.

Who did the people reject as their King? [Allow responses.] God told Samuel that the people rejected Him as their King. God warned the people of some of the things that can happen with having a human king, but the people did not listen. God told Samuel to listen to Israel and appoint a king over them. Even though the people chose an earthly king, God was still in charge. He is the King of everything, and He was faithful to be with His people.

Who did the people choose as their King? [Allow responses.] ISRAEL REJECTED GOD AS KING AND CHOSE SAUL TO BE THEIR KING. The people were impressed by Saul and how tall he was. He looked like a king. But Saul would never be a perfect king like God. The people sinned when they rejected God. When we sin, we also reject God’s rule in our lives as King. Jesus, the King of kings, died for our sin and rose again so we could be forgiven. Jesus is our King forever, and He rules over the world. ”

3 GOSPEL DISCUSSION

SAY “ The Bible tells us that we have all sinned, but God sent His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. When we accept Jesus as Savior, we turn from sin and trust Him as the King of our lives. I’d love to share more about how you can trust in Jesus. ”

(Tip: Use Scripture and the Gospel Plan Poster to explain how to become a Christian. Create an environment where kids are welcome to ask questions about what it means to follow Jesus.)

4 QUESTIONS FROM KIDS (3 minutes)

Show the “Unit 10, Session 1” Questions from Kids video. Prompt kids to discuss:

- 1. Why was Jesus known as King?
2. Have you accepted Jesus as the King of your life? Do you worship Him alone? Why?



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#### 5 MISSIONS MOMENT (3 minutes)

**SAY** ☞ Over 15 million people live in Bangkok, the colorful, busy capital city of Thailand. [Point to Bangkok on a world map.] Thailand is often referred to as “The Land of Smiles.” Smiling is a way the people show politeness, care, and forgiveness. Even though Thai people show kindness to others, many of them do not know about Jesus. In this growing city, less than three percent of the people are Christians. ☞

Play the missions video. Explain how missionary Doug Derbyshire helps people as a medical doctor in Bangkok, Thailand. Tell kids that Dr. Derbyshire’s clinic serves as a hub for telling people throughout the country about Jesus. Sometimes Dr. Derbyshire’s clinic helpers and medical teams from the United States host mobile clinics, which allow them to help many in many different areas and tell them about Jesus. Pray for Dr. Derbyshire and his staff as they tell people in Thailand about Jesus. Pray that many Thai people will learn about Jesus. ☞

#### 6 KEY PASSAGE ACTIVITY (5 minutes)

Show the Key Passage Poster. Lead kids in reading aloud Psalm 103:19 together.

**SAY** ☞ Our key passage reminds us that God is King over everything. We can trust Him and follow His good commands. ☞

Play a game similar to musical chairs. Place a chair for each kid in a circle and label one chair the “throne.” Play music and lead kids to say the key passage aloud. When you stop the music, the kid who sits in the “throne” chair is the winner of that round. Repeat as time allows.

Lead kids to sing “The LORD Is Over All (Psalm 103:19).” You may also choose to sing a worship song of your choice.

#### 7 PRAY (2 minutes)

Invite kids to pray before transitioning to Love.

**SAY** ☞ God, thank You for being a good and perfect King who rules over everything. Help us follow Your Son, Jesus, and trust in Him to be saved. Amen. ☞

Transition from **LEARN** to **LOVE**



