

Age 3 and 4 and Kindergarten Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	Make a crown	See page 8 and example
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Sophie. She will get you when ready	
Classroom:	Play a game "judge, judge, king" like duck duck goose	
	Coloring Pages - Wants or Needs page	Worksheet
	Hand out memory verse cards to those who didn't get one last week	



THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God because of what we learned

1 PRAY

Invite preschoolers to close their eyes and think about God as they talk with Him.

SAY 🙏 God, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to be King over everything. Thank You that He is the perfect King who saves us and gives us peace. Amen. 🙏

2 SNACK AND TALK



Post an Allergy Alert. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer. Serve a snack. Show the Bible Story Picture Poster as you ask the following questions. Retell parts of the Bible story as needed.

SAY 🙏 What was your favorite part of today's Bible story? 🙏

SAY 🙏 What did you learn about God in today's Bible story? 🙏

SAY 🙏 Who was the first king of Israel? 🙏

SAY 🙏 **Who is our King? Jesus is our King, and He rules over the world.** 🙏

3 MAKE A CROWN

Before the activity, precut paper plates to make crowns, one per child. Fold a paper plate in half and cut three lines up to the ruffled edge of the plates by making one cut in the middle, and the two other cuts diagonally on either side. This should create four triangle-shaped pieces. Open the plate and cut along the folded edge, being sure to stop where the ruffles begin on the paper plate. Demonstrate how to bend up each triangle section on the crown to make standing points. Encourage preschoolers to decorate their crowns using crayons, stickers, and adhesive gems.

SAY 🙏 Your crowns make you look like kings and queens. Today we are learning that **ISRAEL CHOSE SAUL TO BE THEIR KING**. The Israelites did not need a king, but God allowed them to have one. God had a perfect plan to send His Son, Jesus, to be the one true King. **Jesus is our King, and He rules over the world.** 🙏

see picture



Transition from **LOVE** to **LIVE**







THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

LIVE for God out of love

- 1 Choose the activities that best fit your group, space, available resources, and time constraints. Set up activities in one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

PLAY A GAME



Invite preschoolers to sit in a circle. Mention this game is a version of “Duck, Duck, Goose,” but preschoolers will use the words, “Judge, Judge, King,” instead. Choose one child to be it. Invite this child to walk around the outside of the circle, gently patting each preschooler on the back as he says, “Judge.” When it chooses someone to be king, lead him to say, “King,” as he pats the preschooler’s back. Guide the child chosen as king to stand up and chase the other child around the circle, trying to tag him before he returns to the starting point. Lead the child chosen as king to be the new leader. Continue playing as time allows.

SAY **👉** God provided judges for His people, the Israelites, to help lead them. When the Israelites decided they wanted a king to lead them instead of judges, Samuel thought this was a bad idea. The Israelites did not need a king, but God allowed them to have one. Samuel warned the people that they would have to do everything the king wanted. **ISRAEL CHOSE SAUL TO BE THEIR KING.** **👉**

FIND THE KING

Prior to the session, print the “King” printable on heavyweight paper and cut apart. Hide the cutout in a designated area of the room. Invite preschoolers to search for the hidden king. Encourage preschoolers to shout, “Long live the king!” when the picture is found. Repeat the activity several times, allowing different children to hide the cutout if they would like. (Note: Consider laminating the printable to improve durability.)

SAY **👉** **ISRAEL CHOSE SAUL TO BE THEIR KING.** Saul was not from a big family or a large tribe, but Samuel poured oil on his head and told him he would be the new king. When Samuel told the people Saul was king, they could not find Saul. They looked everywhere and finally found him hiding with some supplies. Saul was the first king of Israel. **👉**

Wants or Needs?

INSTRUCTIONS: The Israelites wanted a king to lead them. Circle the items you think you need. Put an X on the items you want.

