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DAVID BECAME KING

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CHRIST CONNECTION

God promised to build a forever kingdom through David's family. This promise is fulfilled in Jesus, a descendant of David. Jesus is King over everything, and anyone who trusts in Him is welcomed into His forever kingdom.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

Is anything greater than God? No, God is greater than everything.

MEMORY VERSES

Jeremiah 10:6-7a

PREPARE



Take time to reflect on today's lesson.

LEADER BIBLE STUDY

God is always faithful to His word, and David became king over Israel just as God promised. During the initial reign of King David, he voiced his desire to build a house for God. And yet, David was not permitted to build a temporal house for God. Rather, God promised an everlasting covenant where He would establish His kingdom through David's descendant.

How would God establish this everlasting kingdom? What does it mean to be brought into God's family?

God promised He would raise up a descendant from David's family and establish His kingdom forever. While this promise had a near fulfillment in David's son, Solomon, it also had a distant and complete fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Solomon would build the temple, but Jesus would be a tabernacle on earth as God in flesh. Jesus would announce the kingdom of God had come and call people to repent. Jesus taught that to enter the kingdom of God we must be born again. Through David, God continued the promise He first made to Abraham: "I will make you extremely fruitful and will make nations and kings come from you" (Gen. 17:6).

Through His life, death, and resurrection, Christ made the way for people to be reunited with their Father in heaven. Anyone who trusts in Jesus for salvation will find his or her place in God's family—a legacy that started with Abraham, continued through David, and ultimately came to pass through Jesus.

Lead boys and girls to see the wonder that we might be brought into God's family on no merit of our own, but because God loved us enough to send us His Son. Christ paid the debt we owed and welcomed us into His free gift of eternal life. Pray for kids to see the wonder of God's kingdom being extended to us as His children.

OPENING ACTIVITIES

Greet each kid as they arrive. Use this time to build relationships and help new kids connect to your group. Before heading to Large Group, you can play a game, chat with kids, or do the Memory Verse Activity below as a group!

MEMORY VERSE

There is none like you, O LORD; you are great, and your name is great in might. Who would not fear you, O King of the nations? For this is your due.

Jeremiah 10:6-7a, ESV

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

Using the TV in your room, review the motions video for the verse. Practice as a group, then give kids the opportunity to practice on their own.

To continue reviewing, write the verse on the whiteboard and have kids read it out loud. Erase 1-2 words, then have kids read it aloud again, including the words that have been erased. Repeat until kids can say the verse from memory.

Note: Our next Bible Bucks Day is NEXT Sunday, July 27!



LARGE GROUP LESSON



Review what we're learning in Large Group.

DAVID BECAME KING

All the tribes of Israel came to David and said, "Even while Saul was king, you were our true leader in battle. We know that the Lord said you would be king over Israel." So, they anointed David king over Israel.

When King David made himself at home in his palace and there were no more battles to fight, he said to the prophet Nathan, "Look, I am living in this amazing palace, while the ark of God sits inside a tent." He wanted to build a permanent house or temple for God.

That night, the Lord said to Nathan, "Go to my servant David and say, 'You want to build me a house? But from the time I rescued the Israelites from Egypt until now, I have been living with a tent as My dwelling. I have never once asked anyone to build Me a permanent house.

"So now tell David, 'Instead of you building Me a house, I will build you a house. I will give My people a permanent place to live and will keep their enemies away from them. I will raise up a descendant from your family, and I will establish his kingdom. He will build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

When David heard these words, he went and sat in the Lord's presence and said, "Who am I that You have brought me this far, God? You have done great things, but they are nothing compared to what You will do in the future.

"You are great, and there is no one like You. You rescued Israel to make a great name for Yourself and performed great and awesome acts to show Your power and love for Your people. May Your words to me come true, just as You have promised, so that Your name will be exalted forever."

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ACTIVITIES



Do crafts and games with kids after Large Group.

MAIN ACTIVITY

Roll out the provided butcher paper game board and divide your group into 2-4 teams. Let each team choose a token to play with and have them put it at the start of the game board.

To play, each team will take turns answering review questions, then rolling the dice to move their token forward on the board.

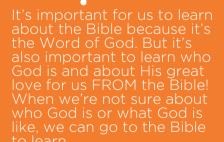
On each team's turn, ask them one of the provided review questions. If they give the right answer, have them roll the dice and move their token forward that many spaces. If they land on one of the special spaces, follow the instructions on the board for what to do next.

If a team gives a wrong answer, they don't get to move, and it becomes the other team's turn. Continue until one team wins!

CONNECT THE DOTS

God has made many promises to His people. In the garden, God promised Adam and Eve He would send a Savior. He promised Abraham he would have a big family and land and be a blessing to the world. God promised David someone from his family would be king forever. Again and again, God made promises and kept them! When He makes a promise, we know it will come true. We can trust His promise that when we put our faith in Jesus, our sins are forgiven and we have a new life in Him

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BIBLE SKILLS ACTIVITY

On the board, draw five columns and write "GREAT" at the top so that each letter has its own column.

One letter at a time, invite kids to think of words starting with each letter that describe God. For example, G=gracious, good, gentle, etc.

Write down the words in each column. If kids get stuck or need more ideas, use the provided list of scripture to look up more characteristics of God.

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BIBLE STORY REVIEW

Ask the following questions and lead your small group to discuss.

- 1. What is the kingdom of God?
- 2. How can we be a part of God's kingdom?
- 3. What does it look like to live for the kingdom of God?
- 4. David praised God for His greatness and good promises. How can we praise God?
- 5. Can God's promises always be trusted? Why?

HAVE EXTRA TIME?

Go to the Leader Folder on one of the TVs in your room. (Hit the back button until you see it.) There, you'll find games and activities to do with your group!



BEFORE YOU GO...

Second service leaders, please clean up by doing the following:

- 1. Put all extra supplies and binders back in the curriculum bins.
- 2. Clean all trash off the tables.
- 3. Put all crayons, markers, etc. back in the appropriate containers and cubbies.
- 4. Erase the whiteboards and put markers/erasers back in the holder.
- 5. Turn off the TVs as you leave.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING WITH US!

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