

Student Make Up Work

Lesson "The Kings"

Parents, this make-up work should be done together with you and your student. There will be questions to discuss verbally and questions to answer in written format. Please sign the bottom of the sheet and return to the sermon note drop off box.

Main Idea: God uses the lowly and imperfect to do Great things.

Discussion and Write Responses

If you were King, what would be three things you would do?

Describe what makes a good Leader?

What makes a good Leader in the church?

The Kings of Israel

When Joshua took the Israelites into the promise land they divided the land into 12 tribes that represent the 12 tribes of Israel (12 Sons of Jacob). God ruled over them and therefore they did not have or need of a king.

God used Judges to rule the people and spread his message for over 360 years. The Israelites would move in a cycle: They would drift away from God, God would allow their enemies to defeat them, the Israelites would cry out to God, God would send a Judge for them to defeat their enemies, the judge would die and they would go back to their old ways.

The people demanded a King, so God brought Samuel (a judge), to anoint Saul as King. Saul united the 12 tribes into 1 Nation (Israel). Saul served for 20 years, but then fell away from God. So the Lord sent Samuel to secretly anoint another King, David. David was the youngest son of Jesse. Saul was still King.

David came and served Saul. He played music for him and defeated Goliath (Philistine),

Read Scripture: 1 Samuel 17

Parents and Student Discuss:

If you were an Israelite, how would you have reacted when young David volunteered to challenge the giant Goliath?

Why was it such a big deal that David killed Goliath?

Would you follow David after witnessing this battle?

The Lord was with David

David became a famous warrior for Israel, because the Lord was with him. David gained favor with the people, and Saul became jealous of David and tried to kill him over and over again.

David hides from Saul, but in the end Saul dies and his sons die, which ended his bloodline to the throne. David became King of Israel. He ruled for 40 years. Jerusalem became capital of the New Kingdom.

David fell from grace.

Read Scripture: 2 Samuel 11

Parent and Youth Discuss Questions:

How would you feel if you were God, when David did these things?

Did David serve God with his actions?

What would you do to David if you were God?

The Kings of Israel Continue

David committed adultery and murder. God was angry with David but still loved him and looked upon him with mercy. The Kings of Israel continued with David’s son, Solomon and Israel became wealthy in his reign. Jesus was a descendant of David’s line.

Parents and Students Discuss:

What do we learn from David?

If God used only perfect folks to accomplish good things what would get done?

Parents and Students discuss questions and write out some responses

What is the difference between followers and leaders?

Which one are you most comfortable in?

Why do you see yourself in that way?

Parents and Students Discuss

Who is a great leader today? Why?

Is it important for a leader to have a sense of humor about themselves?

Is compassion important?

What is the relationship between a leader's public life and personal life?

Who does the world say is a great leader?

What does it feel like when our heroes fall from grace - when they do something that is extremely disappointing?

How do we react towards them?

What should our reaction be as followers of Christ?

How do we support leaders, even if they are imperfect because they are human?

Where do your parents fall into the category as your hero / leader?

What happens when your parents make mistakes?

Are you forgiving?

Does it change the way you feel about them?

If a murderer and adulterer like David can be a successful King, what does that tell us about God?

Close in Prayer with one another.

Parent Signature: _____