



1/23 Family Activities

God is Righteous- King Josiah

(2 Chronicles 34; 2 Kings 22)

Note to Families: *The people began to read God's words and saw that they weren't following God at all. It was time to change. They asked God to help them live right. God is righteous, and with His help we can live right too. Living God's way can be hard. Sometimes it means doing the right thing even when no one else is. That can be really uncomfortable, and we can't do it on our own; we need God's help. God gives us His Word, other people who trust and obey God, and the Holy Spirit to help us live right. And most important of all, God sent His Son, Jesus, to be the promised Savior who can take away all of our wrongs and sins and make us righteous.*

Step One: Watch Video

Step Two: Choose an activity or two to do with your family!

Activity #1: Make a Crown

SUPPLIES

- Crown template (1 per child)
- Markers/Crayons
- Stapler or tape
- Stick on gems, glitter, or other misc. craft supplies to decorate with

RELATE

King Josiah was a very young king. Yet, he loved God and wanted to follow Him. One day when He found God's Word in the temple, he was so excited. He knew it would give Him and the people instructions and wisdom on how to follow God.

Give each of your children a paper crown and markers or crayons. Have them color their crowns and then decorate them with any misc. craft supplies you might have around the house. Explain that the crowns can help them remember King Josiah and what an example he was of someone who loved God's Word and followed His truth.

Activity #2: How Tall is a King?

SUPPLIES

- Butcher paper or any long piece of paper(6')
- Marker
- Measuring tape (at least 5' long)
- Masking tape

SET UP

Create a height chart by taping the butcher paper to the wall. Place the bottom of the paper where the

wall meets the floor. Use the measuring tape to add some marks to the paper before beginning the activity. Place one mark at 50 inches (height of the average eight-year-old boy).

RELATE

Invite your children to the wall with the butcher paper one at a time. Mark each child's height on the paper and write their names next to their marks (be sure your marker isn't bleeding through onto the wall). While measuring the children, ask them to share what they're most excited about today. Be sure to add a mark with a piece of masking tape to show your height as well.

Discuss with your kids: If there was a king here, and I measured him, just like I did all of you, how tall do you think he would be? Good thinking! We're going to learn about a boy who was probably only about this tall when he became a king! Point to the mark at 50 inches. **King Josiah, who we heard about today may not be much taller than you maybe. And he may not be that much older than you either. He was only eight years old when he became king! What do you think it would be like to become a king at eight years old?**

Activity #3: Bless

Say the following blessing over each of your children:

(Child's name), give thanks to the LORD because of His righteousness. May you sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High (reference Psalm 7:17).