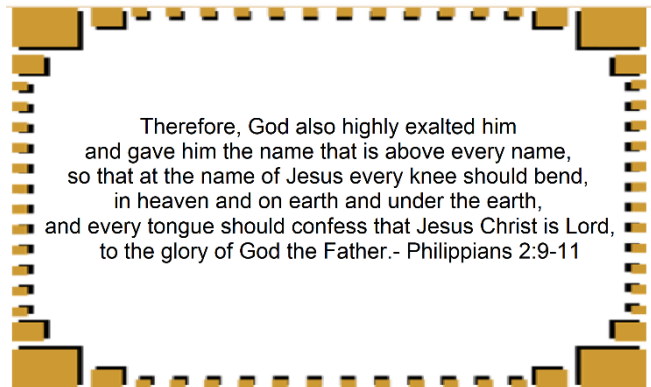


# “FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING”

## Children’s Liturgy Activity November 21<sup>st</sup> , 2021



### Gospel: John 18:33-37

In today’s gospel, we see Jesus is being brought to Pilate, the Roman governor, to pass His execution. Pilate asks him ‘ Are you the King of Jews?’ Jesus says to him that his kingdom is not a kingdom of this world. If it was a worldly kingdom, Jesus’ army would have fought to prevent Jesus being surrendered to the Jews. But Jesus reveals that his kingdom is not of this kind.’ Pilate confirms whether Jesus is a king. Jesus said ‘yes’. Jesus also revealed that, He is born to this world to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to His voice.’

Are you a king?, Pilate asked Jesus. Pilate was the Roman governor. The Jews regarded Herod as their king. The roman emperor was Caesar. No other leaders were accepted to Jews. The Jews handed over Jesus to Pilate because Jesus was revealing him as King of Jews. The Jews were expecting a Messiah, but they had a picture of a warrior king who will fight with romans and free them. They didn’t expect someone like Jesus.

What do you think a king should be like? Kings have power. kings have wealth, kings ruled and bossed over people. Kings uses armies to fight and conquer places on Earth. All the above characters of king point towards earthly kingdoms. We measure kingship based on world, human gains and efforts. Did Jesus do any of these? How is Jesus a King?

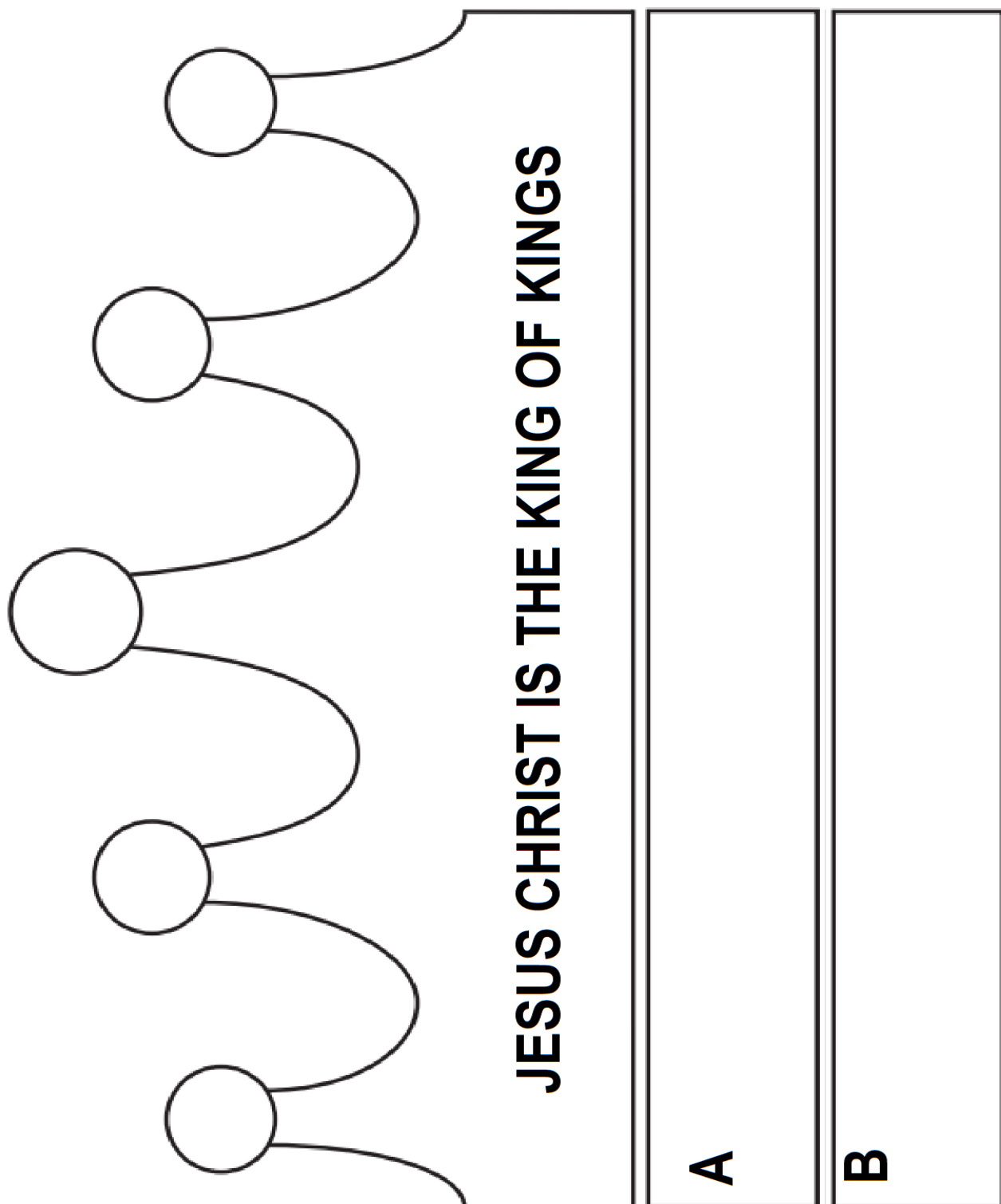
Jesus says: ‘Mine is not a kingdom of this world’. What is Jesus talking about? Where is his kingdom? and what kind of king is he? The kingdom Jesus speaks of kingdom of Heaven. Jesus the king emptied himself for the world and saved all from bonds of sin and evil by crushing the head of satan. He resurrected and is seated at right hand of father in heaven . His name is above all names for salvation of the whole world. Jesus loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father. -Revelation 1:5

Christ the king: Jesus is a King who served in humility and gave his life for his people. -Matthew 20:26-28, Jesus belonged to heaven His kingdom is in heaven - John 8:23, The rule of the kingdom of heaven is to love as Jesus loved. John 13:34, His kingdom was not of wealth. Wealth blocked the entry .Jesus said to his disciples, “it will be hard for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven- Matthew 19:23. Jesus is the king of forgiveness and mercy -Luke 23:34. Jesus had authority over all creations .Jesus is the healer. He is the Good shepherd. Jesus is the light of the world. Can you find more virtues of Christ the king and his kingdom from the Bible?

Jesus says, I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.’ To whose voice do we listen to? What is the truth? Jesus’ is the truth. His words are truth. Let us follow the way, the truth and the life- JESUS. Let us declare ,Jesus Christ as our Lord and King. Let us prepare for the coming of our king Jesus to be on the side of truth.

Crown craft.

Cut out the template of the crown, colour it and stick at the ends the bands A and B in the required length as it fits around your head.



**Jesus declared himself 'I Am..'**

**Can you complete the 'I Am' statements of Jesus by cutting and pasting the right the pictures in the blank space?**

1. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of Life (John 6:35)

2. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of the World (John 8:12)

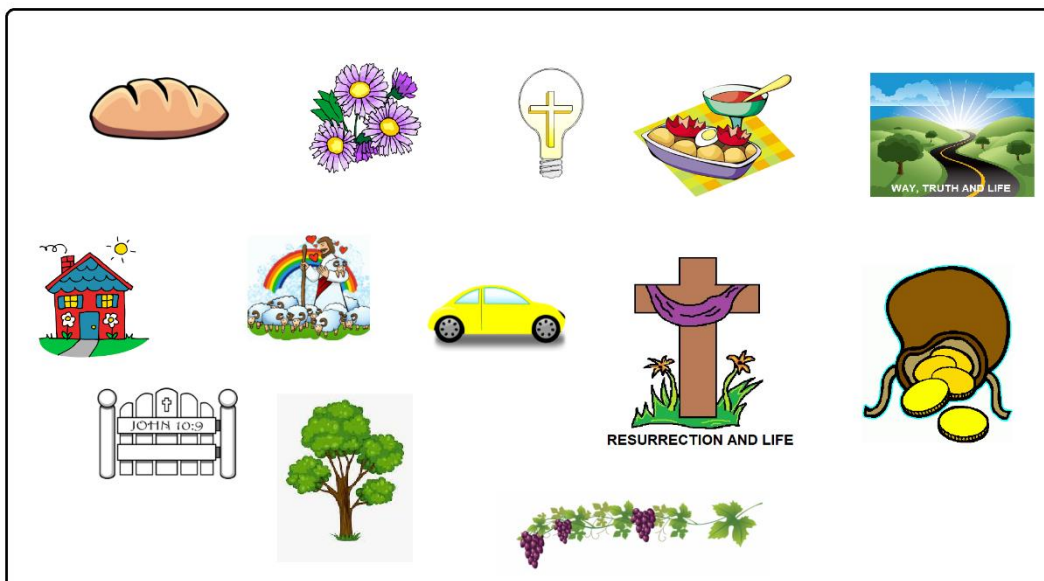
3. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 10:9)

4. I am the Good \_\_\_\_\_ (John 10:11,14)

5. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 11:25)

6. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 14:6)

7. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 15:1,5)



Colour and decorate the picture below. Cut it out and stick it on hard paper to make a verse card for your wall.



## JESUS CHRIST THE KING

God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
-Philippians 4:9-11

Let us pray, 🙏

Dear Lord Jesus ,You alone are the Most Holy King and Ruler of all creations. We thank you for freeing us from evil and sin and making us God's children. In you is the fullness of our life and in you is the treasures of eternity. We declare you as our Lord and King. O King of Mercy and love, rule over us and lead us in your truth to the everlasting Kingdom of heaven– you are the way, the truth and the life and our only way of Salvation. In Jesus name we pray, amen