

# Family Discipleship Guide

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## Pointing to Jesus

He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! This is what we celebrate on Easter. Jesus died to save sinners and rose again on Sunday when all hope seemed lost. When Jesus' friends went to the tomb they found it to be empty and the stone rolled away. Shortly after, Jesus appeared to his friends and showed them that he had risen! He had defeated sin and death once and for all. This can be difficult to always know how to teach our children exactly what this means that Jesus rose from the dead. Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians that if Jesus hadn't rose from the dead, there is no way we could be saved. Jesus resurrection is the action that solidifies our salvation.

This month we not only celebrate Easter, but we begin our series through Mark. Mark has been major themes, but one that helpful for our kids is to learn Jesus is king! This month, we look at why Jesus is the Promised King who rules his kingdom and expands his family.

## Intentional Activities

### Nursery - Make a Crown

- The Goal: The goal of this activity is to help your preschooler learn Jesus is king.
- Activity:
  - Precut construction paper in the shape of a crown. Allow your child to color the crown and decorate with stickers.
  - When they are finished, write "Jesus is King" on the crown and fasten in the back with glue or tape.
  - Connect the crown activity to Jesus is King and what we heard from our sermon this Sunday.

### Elementary - Category Is...

- The Goal: This game great to play with the whole family. In this game we are listing as many things beginning with a certain letter as we can. We can connect this to what Paul writes in Colossians 1:16 that Jesus not only knows all but holds all things together.
- Say: Jesus is in charge of everything and we are gonna play a game that
- Play:
  - Call out a letter and a category (ex. Foods and B)
  - Each player will have 30-45 seconds to list as many items they can think of that begin with the letter from that category.
  - The winner is the person who list the most in the time allotment.
- Other Categories: Bible characters, Animals, Stores, Movies, Cities

## Recommended Resources

1. Jesus my Victory - The Cross - Frontline Church
2. "Book of Mark" - Overview video - [bibleproject.com](http://bibleproject.com)
3. Garden, Curtain, and Cross Children's Book

