



3RD - 5TH

27-4
Jesus is our
Perfect King



CONNECT TIME

Greet kids by name and play table games as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families. Ask kids: **Have you ever written a letter to someone? Who did you write your letter to? What did you write about in your letter?**



HOLD IT ALL TOGETHER

Start by 9:20/10:45

Form kids into three groups and provide each group with a plastic tray and a set of 25–30 plastic cups. Lead groups to stack their cups into a structure as high as they can on the tray. Then challenge groups to lift up the tray and carry their stack of cups 10 steps. After several attempts, allow groups to try again with fewer cups. Continue until groups are successful at carrying the stack of cups 10 steps.

It was challenging to work together to hold the stacks of cups together and walk 10 steps without them falling. Imagine if it was dependent on us to hold the earth and everything in it together! Thankfully, we are not in control of holding all things together. Today, we will learn how the apostle Paul wrote a letter to a church to remind them Jesus is King and that He does hold everything together.

START BY
9:30/10:55

REVIEW **3** BE, LISTEN, FOLLOW



LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP



BIBLE REVIEW

Distribute Bibles and guide kids to open their Bibles to Colossians 1.

- Explain that Paul wrote Colossians to the church in Colossae while he was imprisoned in Rome.
- Choose a volunteer to read aloud Colossians 1:15-18.

Paul points out what is true about Jesus throughout his letter. Jesus is fully God. He created all things and everything was created for Him. He is in control of everything. He is the head of the church. He was raised from the dead and now lives forever and reigns over all. Through Jesus, we can experience the true peace that comes from forgiveness of sins. To know Jesus and be known by Jesus is why we were created. I hope you will be encouraged by Paul to read God's Word to know Jesus more and more.



DISCUSSION

- **How can knowing that Jesus is King over all encourage believers?** Knowing Jesus is in control over everything and that nothing surprises Him gives us peace. Throughout life we will experience challenging times, but we can have peace knowing God is in control and His good purpose will always prevail. Jesus has made the way for us to have eternal hope through His death and resurrection. (Option: Read 1 Corinthians 8:5-6)
- **How can we know what is the true gospel or a false gospel?** We can know what is false by knowing the truth of God's Word. It is important to study God's Word both together as a group and individually. It is also important to compare what people teach to the Word of God to see if it is true. Encourage kids to make the study of God's Word a daily habit in their lives. (Option: Read Acts 17:11)
- **How can we make Jesus King of our lives?** We have a choice to whether or not we will bow to King Jesus and accept Him as our Savior. When we confess our sins, ask Jesus for forgiveness, and trust in Him, we are saved and given the gift of eternal life. Encourage kids to remember that when Jesus becomes King of our lives, we desire to obey Him because He has shown His love toward us. (Option: Read Revelation 1:5)



PROPHET, PRIEST, KING

Label three corners of the room Prophet, Priest, and King. Remind kids we have been learning how Jesus is our perfect Prophet, Priest, and King. Review big picture answers from the past couple months: Jesus perfectly reveals God the Father and fulfills what the prophets spoke (prophet). Jesus was the perfect sacrifice for sin, and He speaks to God the Father for us today (Priest). Jesus perfectly rules over the universe as the King of kings (King). Tell kids to choose the corner that best fits a description of Jesus you provide. Examples may include: "Jesus is the perfect sacrifice for sin" or "Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies" or "Jesus is always in control." Play as time allows.

Jesus is our perfect Prophet, Priest, and King who came to save us from sin. He fulfilled God's promise to send a Savior, He became our perfect sacrifice, and He lives to reign forever as our King.



Key Passage: *Then I heard all creatures in heaven and on earth saying: "To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever."*
Revelation 5:13



Big Picture Question: *How is Jesus the perfect King? Jesus perfectly rules over the universe as the King of kings.*



Take prayer requests and allow kids to pray.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.
Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.