

Week 1 -

Do you know that God is called the Creator? God is the loving King of everything because He made everything! That is right, God made the whole world and everything in it. So that means that God is in charge of the entire world since He made it all. He is the King. A king is in charge of everything. A king of a country means that he is in charge of that country, and in charge of all the people who live in that country.

However, God is not a bossy, selfish king like some human kings who rule different countries. God is a loving and kind king, not a mean king. That is the reason why when He created the world, He made it beautiful and full of good and wonderful things!

Did you know that God makes people too, and gives us life? That is right, God made me, and He made you too! Since He made each one of us, that means He is our King. Because He is our King, we need to obey Him. We can only really know what He wants us to do by reading His instruction book. Do you know what His instruction book is called? It is called the Bible. When you read the Bible you get to know things about God our King, and you get to know how He wants us to live, and how we can obey Him.

The trouble is, we do not always like to do what He wants us to do. We will talk more about this next week.

End in prayer.



GOD AS KING



PEOPLE LIVING IN HARMONY WITH GOD IN HIS CREATED WORLD

Week 2 –

Remember last week we talked about how God is our King and that we need to obey Him? We can know what He wants us to do by reading our Bibles. I ended by saying that unfortunately, we do not always want to obey Him and what the Bible says.

We say 'No' to God. We try to be our own king instead of allowing God to be our King. When we do this we make a big mess out of God's good world! Even though God is the true King, we do not always want Him to be our king.

We all say 'no' to Him by not obeying Him as King. We do what we want to instead of what God wants us to do. We pretend that we are the king instead of God being the King. We like to be king, so we do what we want to do even if it displeases God. This is what the Bible calls 'sin'. Did you know that sin causes a lot of problems in our world?

By trying to do things our own way, instead of doing things God's way, we hurt each other and make a mess of God's good world.

So, what do you think God will do about this? Next week we will see what He will do.

End in prayer.



MAN IS NOW HIS OWN KING, NOT GOD



GOD IS NO LONGER KING OVER HIS CREATION

Week 3 –

Last week we talked about how we want to do things our own way, and how that causes us to hurt each other. I asked at the end of last week's lesson what do you think God will do about this? Today, we will see what God will do about this.

Again, God is the only true King. He will not let people keep on saying 'no' to Him. When we say 'no' to Him, He must punish us. Just like our parents must punish us sometimes when we disobey them. God's punishment is that we are separated from Him.

It displeases God when we don't obey Him as king, just like your parents may be displeased and sad when you do not obey them. It also makes Him sad that we are selfish, and hurt each other, and make a mess of His world. God made the world beautiful, but we make it not beautiful anymore when we do not listen & obey Him.

God will not let us keep on saying 'no' to Him and pretending that we are king instead of allowing God to be King.

One day, God will show everyone that He is the only true King. He will set up a wonderful kingdom that never ends. On that day, everyone who has been saying 'no' to Him will be separated from His kingdom forever. They will not be able to live with God in His kingdom (called heaven).

The Bible says that we all deserve God's punishment because every one of us disobeys God. However, I want to share that there is some good news! Next week we will talk about God's good news for us.

End in prayer.



GOD IS THE ONLY TRUE KING, HE WILL NOT CONTINUE TO LET MEN BE THEIR OWN KING

Week 4 –

Because God loves us so much, God sent his Son, Jesus into the world. Jesus died to take our punishment we deserve so that we could be forgiven. He did this because He is such a loving, God has done something to rescue us from the punishment we deserve.

Many years ago, God sent His own Son, Jesus, into the world. Jesus did not say 'no' to God the Father. He always did what God, the Father, wanted Him to do. So, He did not deserve to be punished like the rest of us.

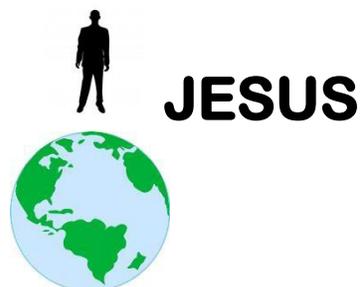
However, Jesus was punished. He was killed on a cross. God loved us so much that He punished His own Son Jesus instead of us! This means that we can be forgiven for disobeying God. We can be welcomed into God's wonderful kingdom!

There is even more good news! God brought Jesus back to life again, and made Him King of everything. One day, Jesus will come back.

When people die, we do not see them alive again, they stay dead. However, even though Jesus died, God brought Him back to life, and more than 500 people saw Him alive and even touched Him.

Then Jesus left our world to go back to be with God the Father. He will punish everyone who is still disobeying Him, but will welcome those who believe that Jesus died for them personally.

So, what does all this mean for us? We will see next week.



GOD THE FATHER SENT HIS SON INTO HIS WORLD SO THAT WE CAN BE FORGIVEN

Week 5-

There two ways to live. You can continue to say 'no' to God, and disobey Him, and keep pretending to be your own king, but God will punish you by shutting you out of His good kingdom (heaven) forever. Or you can say 'sorry' to God, start living with Jesus as your King, and enjoy being in God's kingdom forever.

Did you know that there are really only two ways to live?

The first way is to keep disobeying God and pretending to be your own king. However, if you do that, you won't benefit, because God is God. You will be separated from God forever.

The second way is to obey God, and to ask God to forgive you. God will forgive you and welcome you as His friend. Since Jesus died to take away your punishment, God promises that He will not be displeased with you anymore.

You can start living with God's Son, Jesus, as your King, and do what He wants you to do. You can look forward to being in God's kingdom with Him forever!

So, let me ask you, who will be your king?



THERE IS A CHOICE TO MAKE YOU AS YOUR OWN KING OR JESUS AS KING

Week 6 –

How can I start living with Jesus as my King? Talk to God and say sorry, thank you, and please forgive me.

Say that you are 'sorry' to God for not treating Him as your King as He deserves.

Say 'thank you' to God for sending Jesus to die so that you could be forgiven of your sins.

Ask God to please forgive you, and help you to live with Jesus as your King. You can trust Jesus.

Pray for God to forgive you, just as he promises in His word, the Bible. You can trust Jesus to be a great King. Living His way, and doing what He says in the Bible, is the best way to live. That's what you need to start doing now – start living for Jesus as your Lord. You need to be obedient and do what your King, Jesus commands you to do.

Although the following prayer will not in itself save you and make Jesus your King just by the words you say, it is good to talk to God and thank Him for sending His Son, Jesus, down to earth to be able to save you from your sins. At this time, you can say to God:

Dear God, I am so sorry that I have not treated you as my King. I am sorry that I have disobeyed you by not doing what you say and expect me to do. Thank you that you sent Jesus to die on a cross to take away my punishment. I believe that you did this for me personally. Please forgive me, and help me to live for Jesus as my King from now on so that I can live with Him forever. Amen.

