

## Yr 2 Christ the King Lesson, John 18:33-37

**Opening Prayer:** Jesus Prayer *See Prayer Poster.*

*Quiet the children down. It is best if they sit. Encourage them to close their eyes. Pray this prayer 10 X slowly and quietly.*

**Gospel:** [John 18:33-37](#) - Click to read the Gospel. You may, along with some assistants, perform the play or use puppets to present “Christ the King – a play” included in this lesson.

**Lesson:** Jesus is King.

Jesus and Pilate are having a talk about Jesus being a king, but Pilate is confused. Why do you think he is confused? Pilate thinks Jesus is trying to say that He wants to be the king of Israel. But Jesus tells him, “I’m not that kind of king.” What kind of king is Jesus?

Jesus says His kingdom is not “of this world” What does that mean? Discuss. It means He is king above all other kings, king of heaven and of earth, king of all creation.

What do we know about Jesus that makes him different from other earthly kings? Discuss.

- Jesus invites people to follow him, unlike a regular king who is king over people whether they like it or not. Even though He is all powerful, He doesn’t use His power to make us do things. Instead He invites us into His love.

- Jesus does not force people to be his servants but is the kind of king who gives and serves others. He shares God’s love, forgiveness, healing, peace and joy with. Jesus gives himself for us. He died and rose just for us!!!

- Jesus is a king that speaks the truth. What does it mean that He speaks the truth? Because Jesus is God, He speaks the word of God. The truth is that there is only one God. The truth is that God created us and loves us so much that He sent Jesus to die and rise for us. The truth is that God will never leave us alone and has sent the Holy Spirit to be with us.

It sounds like Jesus is a wonderful king, doesn’t it? Let’s make a craft that will tell others about our wonderful King!

**Craft:** Crown Craft

**In Church:** Look around to see icons where Jesus looks like a king. Are there some with Jesus sitting on a throne or wearing a crown or wearing royal robes?