



THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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TIPS FOR EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

1. Read the upcoming Sunday Gospel a few days before the weekend. Listen to what God is saying to you personally.
2. Select part of the Gospel ahead of time and share it with your children. Have them listen for this part during Mass.
3. Don't be afraid to let kids ask honest questions. Be honest if you don't know something. Tell your child you will look into it and get back to them.



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Either before or after a Sunday meal together, designate one person to read the Gospel. Other family members should listen attentively. Then have each family member share an insight about the Gospel.

Discuss the following questions as a family:

- What does a king do? In what way is Jesus our king?
- What does Jesus mean when he says, "My kingdom does not belong to this world?"



The Trial before Pilate

JOHN 18:33B-37

Pilate said to Jesus,

"Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?"

Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I?"

Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world.

If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over by the Jews.

But as it is, my kingdom is not here."

So Pilate said to him, "Then are you a king?"

Jesus answered, "You say I am a king.

For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.

Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

FUN FACT

Christ the King Sunday is the last day of the liturgical year. Next week begins a new Church year with the first week of Advent.

FAMILY FUN
LEGO Kingdom



Today, Jesus talks about the Kingdom of God with Pilate, Find some LEGO or other building blocks and build what you think the Kingdom of God looks like. You can have each family member create their own version or you can work together to build one. Talk about what you built.



FAMILY PRAYER
Gloria

Glory to God in the highest.
And on earth peace to men of good will.
We praise You.
We bless You.
We adore you.
We glorify You.
We give You thanks for Your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone, are most high,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.



RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Fudge Spoon Pie

Large shady fig trees were plentiful in the time of Jesus and are still found in Israel today. This sweet dish is fitting as we reflect on today's Gospel.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 (1-oz) square unsweetened chocolate
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

DIRECTIONS:

1. Melt butter and chocolate in a saucepan over low heat, stir often
2. Remove from heat, stir in sugar and next (3) ingredients.
3. Pour batter into a greased 8-inch square pan.
4. Bake at 325 F for 22 minutes
5. Serve warm with ice cream.

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