

KING OF KINGS

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

-Matthew 6:21



GATHER

Evolution - Players must wander around the room and find someone else at the same stage of evolution as them and then battle each other in Rock, Paper, Scissors. The winner evolves to the next stage and the loser devolves back to an egg. The stages are:

1. Egg - person holds both hands on top of their head so they look like an egg.
2. Chicken - make chicken sounds and flap your wings.
3. Dinosaur - act like a dinosaur (roar).
4. Gorilla - act like a monkey.
5. King or Queen - create a crown with their hand

The first player to become Royalty wins the game.

Feel free to add in additional stages of evolution if you'd like to make it hard - just be creative. Word

Association - Gather the young people into a circle and start the circle with a word related to the stages i.e. egg, chicken etc. Keep moving round the circle with the next person saying a word related to the last until someone is stuck (3 second times runs out) and is then eliminated. Continue the process until two players battle it out to become the King or Queen of words.

PROCLAIM

Explain: Our icebreakers this evening have helped us to explore the theme of royalty, kingdoms and worship.

Discuss: What is worship? What does the word worship mean in the Church but also in the world?

Where might we worship something or see an act of worship?

Watch: King of Kings - Dan Stevers **LINK: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nbJGwlvkNwk>**

Ask: Are there things in our lives that we worship instead of God? Do other areas of our lives take priority over God? Even the good things in our lives can lead us away from God if we choose to put them first and not make space for God. What are the things you worship instead of God? What do you give most of your time, energy and effort to that become the focus of your life? What is on your

BREAK

Reflect: Give each person an image of a throne (see next page) where they can draw and write all of the areas of their lives which get in the way of putting Jesus at the centre, socially, at home, at school, online etc.

Then, inside the throne, give them opportunity to write all the ways they could put Him at the centre in everyday life -factor prayer into my day, give thanks for things, be kind to others etc.

Play some reflective music for the young people to listen to whilst thinking about their reflections. .



SEND

Pray: Lord we thank you for this opportunity to reflect on what is important to us. Thank you for all of the joys and good things we have in our lives; our hobbies, our friends, our education. Please help us to remember that all of these are gifts from you and it is you that is the ultimate source of joy and happiness. May we strive to put you first and make you the only god we worship so that you can remain at the centre of our lives and in the depths of our hearts.

Amen.

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Of5lcFWiEpg> (King of Kings - Hillsong Worship)

Create: Spend some time using play dough or modeling clay to create something to represent the things you put before God. Whether this is your phone, football, TV, sleep, food or whatever it may be, make something to show what it is that might be standing in the way of you becoming closer to Jesus.

Share: Gather the young people together to share with each other what they have created and explain the meaning behind them.

Conclude: As we leave this place this evening let us ask God for the strength and the courage to put aside anything which is getting in the way of our relationship with Him. Let us make a new commitment to make time for God and to make Him the only one we worship as King of our lives.



