

Lesson 10: Josiah, the Boy King

BACKGROUND: It didn't take long for God's people to want to have a king to rule over them. But they didn't always have good kings and again the Israelites forgot about God. But that changed with King Josiah, who was crowned when he was 8 years old!



STORY:

In the Beginner's Bible: "Boy King Josiah"

In the Adventure Bible: 2 Kings 22:1-23:23 and "Live it-Even a Child".

ACTIVITY:

Stack some items, like cans or blocks, and throw a ball or bean bag at them to knock them down, just like Josiah destroyed the idols.

SNACK: Put the verse sticker in the middle of the paper. Tape a Smartie to each end. Roll the ends toward the middle and tie a ribbon on it. If you can remember the verse, you are a Smartie!



CRAFT: Make a scroll.

Crumple the paper to create wrinkles. Dip the paper in strong tea or coffee for about 10 minutes. After the paper has dried, tape or glue a popsicle stick on each end of the scroll. Write "I can do right in the Lord's eyes" on your scroll. Roll each end toward the middle, tie a piece of ribbon to hold it together. Then play hide and seek and try to find it.

He did what was right in the Lord's eyes. 2 Kings 22:2

Questions:

- What did Josiah do to show he was a good king?
- How can we tell if a king for God's people is good or bad?
- Why do you think God's temple needed to be repaired?
- How did Josiah feel when he read God's words?
- What did Josiah do after learning God's word?

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in the Lord's eyes.