



## Bonus Activities

Date: April 4th

**Bible Passage:** Matthew 21:1–11; Mark 11:1–11; Luke 19:28–38  
(Palm Sunday: Triumphal Entry)

### Jesus is King

#### Additional activities for younger children:

*You may choose to do these all on Sunday, or spread them out throughout the week, reminding your children what they learned in the past lesson.*

#### Option 1: Jesus is King (Craft)

Children decorate a crown to help them remember that Jesus is King.

##### SUPPLIES

- Crown (cut out of paper) you might have to tape two pieces of paper together to make it long enough
- Scissors
- Markers
- Jewels or stickers

##### RELATE

**Today we learned that Jesus is King. Even though Jesus didn't wear a crown in this part of The Big God Story, we're going to decorate one to help us remember that Jesus is King.** Model how to use the markers and jewels or stickers to decorate your own crown. Tape it around your child's head when they are done.

#### Option 2: Where is the crown? (Game)

As you all remember that Jesus is King, take turns hiding and searching for a crown in your house.

##### SUPPLIES

- Decorated crown from the craft

##### SET UP

Hide the crown somewhere in the house.

##### RELATE

**I've hidden a crown somewhere in our house. We're all going to work together to try to find the crown. Whoever finds it first will get to hide it again while everyone else closes their eyes. Are you**

**ready to find the crown? Let's start looking.** Allow children to find the crown, helping if needed. Have the child who gets to the crown first hide it again.

### **Option 3: Palm Branch Dance (Activity)**

Children wave their palm branches in the air along to music as they praise God for sending Jesus to be our King.

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Palm branches (you can draw them on paper, have your child color them green and then cut them out)
- scissors
- Fast-paced, upbeat worship music

#### **RELATE**

**Earlier today we made palm branches using paper and coloring them green. We also used palm branches in The Big God Story. We're going to wave our branches high in the sky to praise God for sending Jesus to be our King as we listen to the music. When you hear the music play, wave your branches in the air. When the music stops, stop waving your branches.** Model this action for your children. Then start the music and allow children to wave their branches, encouraging them to stop waving their branches whenever you stop the music.

### **BLESS::** 5 min.

*Children receive a blessing. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide. Read this over your children at least once this week.*

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Bible

#### **RELATE**

Encourage your children to quiet their bodies and close their eyes as you pray over them:

**Children, may you always know that Jesus is King every day and every night.**

Open a Bible and read Psalm 10:16a:

The LORD is King forever and ever.