

## Lesson Summaries for Kid's Crossing 2022-2023

### God Makes a People for Himself

Date: Oct 4, 2022

Summary: God had a plan to save the world. He called a family to be His special people. They weren't perfect, but they were His. Over hundreds of years, God kept His promises and this family grew to be a great nation - Israel. God led Israel to His promised land, and they settled there.

Passage: Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Question: What is God's plan?

Answer: God has graciously purposed from eternity to redeem a people for Himself and to make all things new for His own glory.

### The People Demand a King

Date: Oct 11, 2022

Summary: As the Israelites settled into the land, they realized other nations had a King - and they wanted one too. Samuel cautioned them they needed no King other than God who rules over all things, but they still wanted one. So God anointed Saul to be their first king. But Saul wasn't all good...

Passage: 1 Samuel 8

Question: Over what does God rule?

Answer: God rules over all things, in heaven and on earth.

### David and Goliath

Date: Oct 18, 2022

Summary: As King Saul leads the Israelites against the Philistine bad guys, a giant challenges God's people. No one from the Israelite camp is willing to represent the nation in the face of this massive giant, until a young shepherd boy - David - steps forward. God uses him to save the nation!

Passage: 1 Samuel 17

Question: What did Jesus do?

Answer: As our representative and substitute, Jesus Christ shed His blood on the cross as the perfect, all sufficient sacrifice for our sins.

### David Vs. Saul

Date: Nov 1, 2022

Summary: As he followed God, David grew more popular and Saul struggled. As a result, Saul grew to hate David, and sought to kill him. But David trusted God and refused to sin against God's anointed king, and instead showed Saul kindness and mercy.

Passage: 1 Samuel 23-24

Question: How are we to love God and others?

Answer: God commands us to love Him supremely and others sacrificially, and to live out our faith with care for one another, compassion toward the poor and justice for the oppressed.

### David is a King After God's Own Heart

Date: Nov 8, 2022

Summary: King David faithfully followed God. He was known as a “man after God’s own heart.” David expressed his love for God in many beautiful poems, recorded in the Psalms. God still uses David’s poems to teach us, today, more about Himself!

Passage: Psalm 23

Question: How has God spoken to His people?

Answer: God has spoken in the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, through the words of human authors.

### **David Sins**

Date: Nov 15, 2022

Summary: Although David loved God and sought to serve Him, David was far from perfect. David sinned, stole another man’s wife, and had the man killed. God punished David’s sin because God hates sin.

Passage: 2 Samuel 11-12

Question: How does God feel about sin?

Answer: God has righteous wrath towards sin, which alienates His people from him.

### **A Wise King**

Date: November 29, 2022

Summary: After David died, his son Solomon became King. God asked Solomon to ask for anything, and Solomon asked for wisdom. His wisdom became known around the world, and Israel became very famous as they sought to fulfill God’s plans for His people.

Passage: 1 Kings 2-3

Question: What did God create people to be?

Answer: God created people to be His image bearers in the world.

### **The Temple is Built**

Date: Dec 6, 2022

Summary: Solomon builds a temple for God - a place for God’s presence to dwell. The temple is an incredible picture of God’s size, glory, and majesty. It was created in part to show people who God was; years later, Jesus would come who would also show people who God is.

Passage: 1 Kings 6-8

Question: Who is Jesus?

Answer: Jesus Christ is God incarnate.

### **The Nation Divides**

Date: Dec 13, 2022

Summary: After the death of Solomon, the people can’t decide who will be king. There is civil war, and the nation is divided - 10 tribes in the north, 2 in the south. God’s people are split. It will take a very long time before God’s people are united again into one community - it won’t truly be until Jesus and His Church.

Passage: 1 Kings 12

Question: What is the true church?

Answer: The true church is united by the Holy Spirit in the body of Christ, of which He is the Head.