

***Kings of Rome* FAQ**

What is *Kings of Rome*?

Kings of Rome is a read-aloud resource for families to accompany Foundations Cycle 1. It is designed to be read once a week as a family. *Kings of Rome* is the first in a trilogy of Scribblers storybooks about the formation of Western civilization.

What does *Kings of Rome* look like?

Kings of Rome is a quality paperback book with both color and black-and-white illustrations to accompany the stories.

Who will use this resource?

We hope that families will gather their children of all ages to read and discuss these stories.

How long will it take to use this resource?

It should take families about thirty minutes a week to read and discuss these stories.

How were the stories chosen?

The stories in *Kings of Rome* were taken from a public domain book written for kindergarteners.

Do students work through the entire resource in one year?

The stories are numbered by week to make it easy for families to keep pace with their Foundations students. However, we hope that families will find favorite tales to read again and again.

Do families need any additional supplies to be able to use the resource?

No. In order to use this resource, families just need thirty minutes in a comfortable spot to gather, whether that is a couch or a picnic blanket.

Can siblings share the resource?

Yes. You just need one book to share with the whole family.

Is the resource consumable?

No. Your family can enjoy it for years to come.

Is there any difficult or dark subject matter?

Yes. It is impossible to avoid this in any literature, and even more so in history. In Classical Conversations, we believe that we are part of an ongoing conversation that began with the creation of mankind. Sometimes bad things happen to good people. Sometimes people make terrible decisions and suffer the consequences. Sometimes unwise people come into power. It is important for us to strengthen our moral imaginations by seeing examples of people who rise up and overcome their difficult circumstances. That being said, some passages have been minimally reworded to avoid particularly violent mental pictures.

This book is designed to be read aloud and discussed with the whole family. This allows you to establish the practice of asking questions about difficult material and sharing your beliefs with

your children. Establishing this practice early allows you to continue to have great discussions with your children as they grow older and encounter more adult topics. As Christians, we must learn to talk about hard things so that we may become wise.