

Activity Book

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Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be in charge of your family? Or be the boss of your school? Or maybe you'd like to be the king of the whole world and in charge of everything!

God's book—the Bible—talks a lot about who is the king of everything. And it asks a very important question: Who will be your king?

This book will help you learn from the Bible how to answer that question. And you'll have lots of fun as you learn, with puzzles, quizzes and other cool stuff to do.







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Welcome to this activity book. I hope you have lots of fun with it. And I also hope you will learn some important things that God's book, the Bible, teaches about God, Jesus and you. By the end of this book you should be able to answer this really big question:

Who will be your king?

Before We Begin

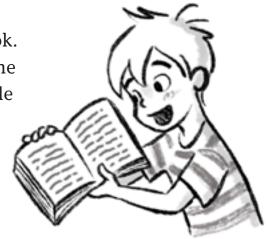
When you see this...



...these words are from the Bible.

What is the Bible? The Bible is God's book. God tells us lots of important things in the Bible. (We will learn more about the Bible on pages 26 and 27.)

There are some words the Bible uses that you may not know. If you read a word you're not sure about, see if it's in the Bible Words Dictionary on page 32.





But let's get back to the big question: Who will be your king?

To answer it, we need to start at the beginning...

God is the king of everything because he made everything in the beginning.



1 God made the whole world and everything in it.



So God is in charge of the world.



He is the king.



God is not a bossy, selfish king like some human kings.



He's kind and loving and good.

That's why the world he made is full of good things.

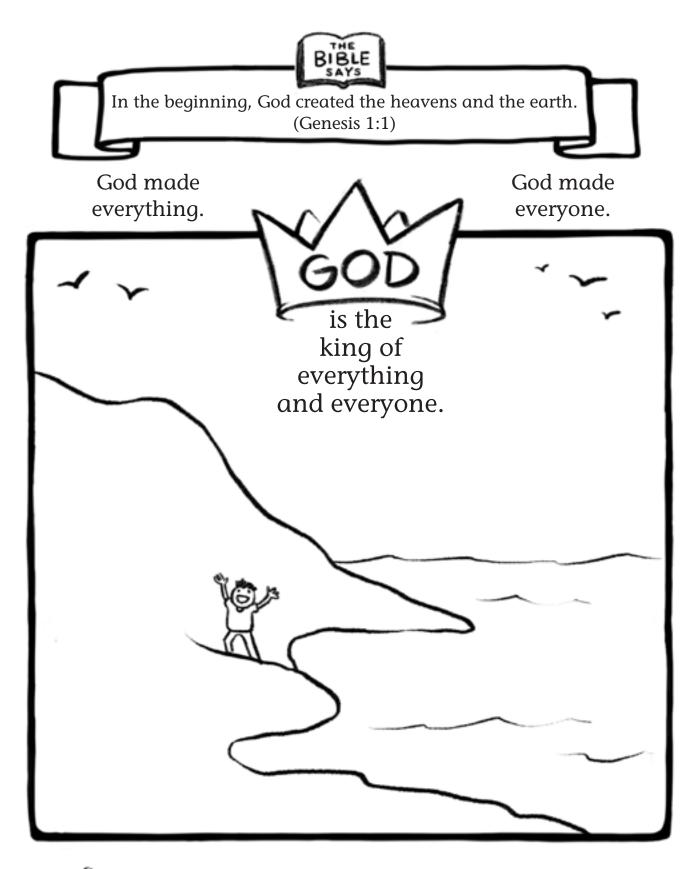
God makes people, too, and gives us life.

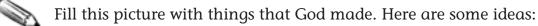


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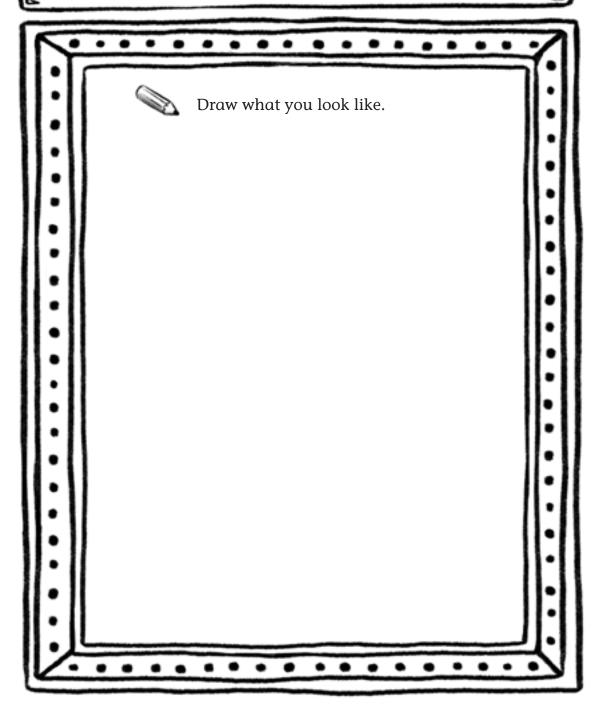
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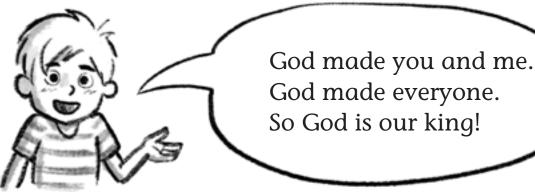


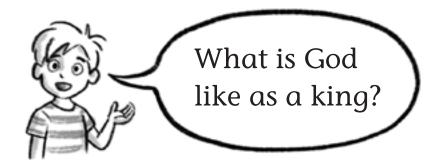




God made me and God loves me!







The Bible tells us that





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If God is our loving king, we should thank him and respect him. We should read what God says in the Bible, and do what he says. But we don't like doing what God tells us to do...

We say 'no' to God.

We try to be our own king instead.

But we make a big mess of God's good world.



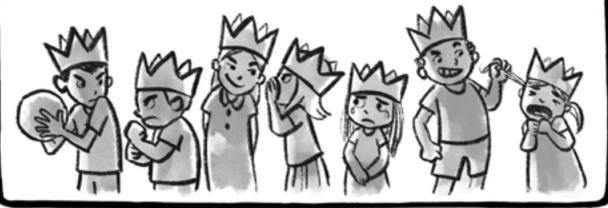


Instead of thanking him and respecting him, we all say 'no' to him. We do what we want to do, instead of what God wants us to do. We pretend that we are the king instead of God. This is what the Bible calls 'sin'.



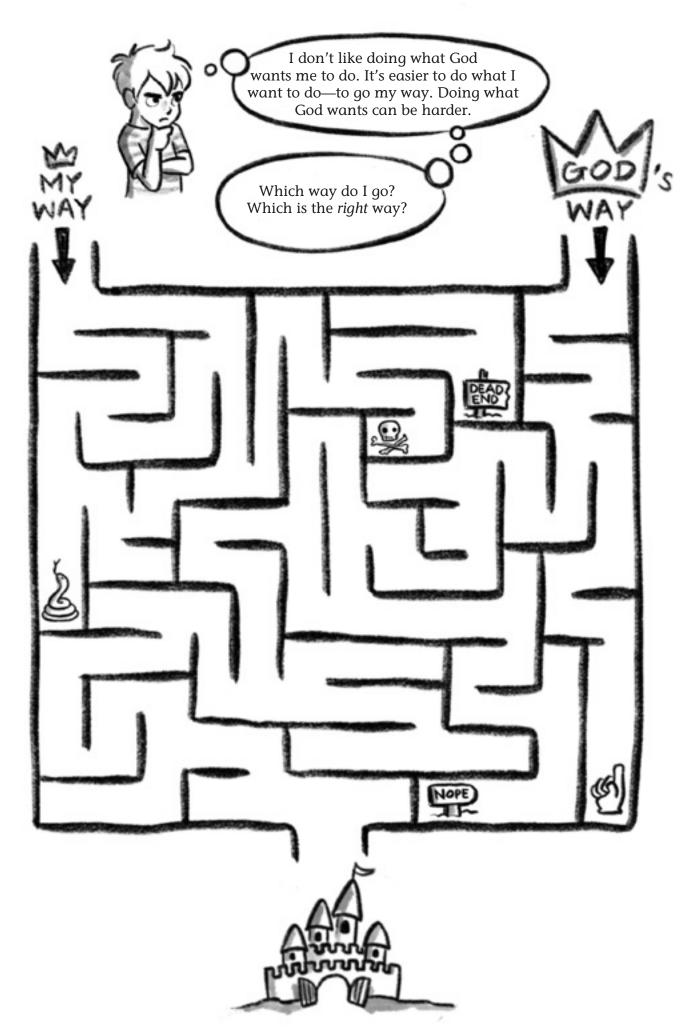
Sin causes lots of problems.

By trying to do things our own way, we hurt each other and make a big mess of God's good world.





Like sheep, we have all wandered away from God, doing whatever we want. (Isaiah 53:6a)



TALK TO OTHERS



People who live with Jesus as their king are called 'Christians'.

It's important to talk to other Christians who can help you live with Jesus as your king. (Maybe the person who gave you this book?)

A church is a group of Christians. When they meet together each week, they learn more about God and Jesus. They pray and sing.

They help each other live with Jesus as their king.



Here are some people who are part of a church together. Spot the differences in the two pictures.





There are Christians living all over the world. They all look different. They live in different places. But they will all be together in God's good kingdom forever.



Crossword Puzzle

Let's see how well you can remember what we've learned by doing this crossword puzzle. If you're not sure about the answer for each clue, you can go back and look for it on the page shown at the end of the clue.

