

Take home sheet

Digging deeper into the true stories about King Saul

A pick and mix of ideas that you can use as a family to explore what your child is learning about King Saul, on Sunday mornings in November.



Hide & Seek Baking! Bake some [fairy cakes](#) or [bread rolls](#) (BBC good food has child friendly recipes) and hide a raisin in one of the cakes/rolls. The person who finds the raisin is the king (or queen!) for the day. While you enjoy your cakes together, explore the following questions: *When Samuel wanted to anoint Saul as king, he was hiding. Why do you think Saul didn't want to be king? Why didn't he think he was the right man for the job?*

Sing & dance:

Rend Collective, King of me:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ks6zl2hL2Uk>

Worship house kids, You are my king:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YLG5LRNWX3I>

Who's the King of the

Jungle: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCirKZr8QY>



Go fetch! Game: For the purpose of this game, one person will be king and everyone else is a servant. The servants have 15 seconds to find an item that meets the king's search criteria. If a servant can't bring the item within 15 seconds, they're out.

Items can be reused if they fit the new criteria. The last one still in the game wins and becomes king for the next round. Some ideas to get you started:

- Something of a certain colour
- Something of a certain shape
- Something that you can use for a certain purpose

Why is it important to be faithful in the small things that God asks you to do?

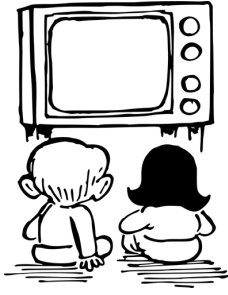


Table talk:

- What is God looking for more than outward forms of worship to Him?
- What does wholehearted obedience look like? How is this different from the way that Saul obeyed God at times?

Family challenge: Play a game of rounders, football, basketball or a concentration card game like Dobble or Snap. *What do you need to focus on during these games? What happens when you take your eyes off the ball or the cards? In the same way, we need to keep our eyes on Jesus, not the distractions of this world.*





Watch & listen:

Samuel anoints Saul king:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gF6nvxG-v9o>

Samuel rebukes King Saul (Superbook):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJOju5Dw0V0>

The Bible Project 1 Samuel (for older children):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJOju5Dw0V0>

Quiz: on a rainy afternoon, test your knowledge of King Saul's life. Match the question with the answer on the right.

- | | |
|---|----------------|
| ___ Saul was from which tribe of Israel? | 1. Samuel |
| ___ Which group of enemies did Saul fight many times? | 2. Benjamin |
| ___ Which Hebrew prophet anointed Saul as king? | 3. Gibeah |
| ___ In which town did Saul live while he was king? | 4. Forty |
| ___ Who was Saul's father? | 5. David |
| ___ Which son of Saul was good friends with David? | 6. Philistines |
| ___ Which son-in-law did Saul try to kill many times? | 7. Kish |
| ___ For how many years did Saul reign as king? | 8. Jonathan |



Memory verse:



"Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in obedience to him." Psalm 128:1

- Why not memorise this verse together as a family, one way to do this would be to start saying the verse on tippy toes and after each word go lower and lower until you are as low as you can go. However you choose to learn it, make it fun for all the family.

Schedule: what we'll be covering over the next 3 weeks

7th November	A Human King	1 Samuel 8:1-22
21st November	A Reluctant King	1 Samuel 9:1-10:27
28th November	A Disobedient King	1 Samuel 13:1-14:45



Remember: When God commands his people to do something, he also provides everything they need to be obedient - they simply need to trust him and act.