

JESUS FOLLOWERS TRUST THE KING

BIG TRUTH: JESUS FOLLOWERS TRUST THE KING

Psalm 9:10; 20:7; Isaiah 12:2; Proverbs 3:5; Isaiah 26:4 (Hebrews 13:8); Jeremiah 17:7; Revelation 19:16

BIBLE VERSE: MATTHEW 1:24-25

When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called His name Jesus.

BIG IDEAS

- We trust the King's perfect plan.
- We trust the King with our doubts and fears.
- We trust the King by obeying His Word.

BIBLE PASSAGE: MATTHEW 1:1-25

The birth of Jesus was long-awaited by God's people and meant that salvation had come to mankind. God's people longed for the coming of the Messiah and today, His people long for the King's return when all things will be made new and right.

ADVENT

Advent is a special celebration and contemplation of the coming of Jesus Christ that Christians participate in during the Christmas season. Advent literally means "arrival" or "coming". During Advent season God's people remember and rejoice in Jesus' first coming to save his people from their sins, while at the same time long with anticipation and expectation for his return. Advent centers on Jesus, the saving Son. He alone is the one true King!

BIG AIMS



Every student should know that:

- Jesus is the one and only King.
- Jesus came and is coming again.
- We exist for Jesus.



Every student should feel:

- The longing within their soul for the King.
- A dissatisfaction within their soul for things of the world.
- Awe and wonder that the King has come and is coming again.



Every student should strive to:

- Spend time each week with their family talking about the King.
- Memorize the Bible Verse each week.
- Tell someone else about the King who came and is coming again.



Every student should want to:

- Trust the King in the everyday struggles of life.
- See and seek Jesus more than anything else this Christmas season.
- Tell others who are lost about the good news of the King.

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will consider how to live in obedience to God daily. We will pray for a heart that finds joy in trusting God and obeying Him. We will practice living obediently no matter our circumstances.

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Read and meditate on Matthew 1:1-25 this week.

- As you read and meditate on these verses, consider how you, too, might model trusting God through your obedience to His Word. How can you live obediently no matter what it costs you in this life? How can you seek to trust God no matter your fears and doubts?

Ponder the fears and doubts that keep you from trusting God.

- What are some things that you find it difficult to trust God with? What are some ways you can overcome these fears and doubts?



Spend time in prayer every day this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you some of the doubts and fears that keep you from trusting God. Pray for a greater understanding of some of the ways you need to walk in obedience to God this week.

Spend time praying with your parent or small group leader this week.

- As you pray together, ask for boldness to share with others how you can trust God no matter what.



Make a list of the fears and doubts that keep you from trusting God.

- Choose one or two of these fears and doubts and find verses from Scripture that remind you of who God is and His faithfulness. Choose one of those verses to memorize this week.
- Write down a specific circumstance or situation in which you need to trust and obey God this week. Consider what thoughts or attitudes help you trust God and obey Him, too, and make a list of those to help you this week.
- Discuss with your small group leader ways you can hide Scripture in your heart so you can walk in greater obedience to God. Share with him or her some of the fears and doubts you have that you need to overcome. Brainstorm ways to memorize scripture so that you can replace your fears and doubts with truth about God.
- Memorize Matthew 1:24-25 this week. Write the verses in our phone in a note or on an index card to help you memorize them.