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THE KING OF KINGS

A Story Told by Charles Dickens

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***The King of Kings* is a full-length animated film from Angel Studios that brings the life of Jesus to the screen with heartfelt imagination and biblical faithfulness.**

Inspired by Charles Dickens' short book, *The Life of Our Lord*, the film features Dickens sharing the story of Jesus with his young son, Walter. As the story unfolds, father and son imagine themselves present during Jesus' life.

The words spoken by Jesus throughout the film remain true to Scripture, and through the lens of a child's imagination, we witness his miracles, hear his teachings and see the power of his love and sacrifice. What begins as a simple bedtime story becomes a meaningful journey of discovery.

The King of Kings invites viewers to encounter the hope, truth and redemption of the gospel through the wonder-filled eyes of a child.

This engaging seven-part devotional series is designed to help families explore the life-changing miracles of Jesus together. Each session focuses on a different story from the Gospels, inviting families to read Scripture, watch a short video, and reflect through creative activities—indoors, outdoors, and with one another.

Whether you're gathered around the table, out on a walk, or winding down before bed, these devotionals are a flexible and meaningful way to grow in faith as a family. Use them weekly or at your own pace, and let each session spark conversations, deepen understanding, and draw your family closer to Jesus—the King of Kings.





READ THE PASSAGE: **JOHN 9:1-7**



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: **VIDEO 1**



REFLECT
ON WHAT YOU
HAVE JUST READ,
LISTENED TO
AND WATCHED

Imagine you're in the crowd, and you see Jesus spit on the ground!

What would you think Jesus was doing?

Imagine you hear Jesus say: **'While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'**

What do you think this means? Why do you think Jesus did miracles while he was on earth? What do his miracles show us?

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Light of the World: Read or listen to what Jesus says again: **'While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'**



Draw a big lightbulb and write the Bible verse inside it.

Think about how you can help shine God's light into the world. Maybe you can pray for someone who isn't well or is upset. Or maybe you can do something kind for one of your neighbours, or a sick or elderly person at church. You can write these ideas next to the light!

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Light in the Darkness: Go into a room, turn out the lights, and close the curtains or blinds. Spend a bit of time in the darkness and then share with others how being in this room makes you feel.

Turn on a small light, maybe light a candle, to bring light into the room. How do you feel now?



How does this make you feel about Jesus saying he is the light of the world?

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Mud Making: Head outside with a sheet of A4 paper and cup of water and find some dirt. Add water to the dirt and swirl it with your fingers to make it into mud. Rub it between your fingers and think about how it feels. What is the texture? Is it smooth, scratchy or slimy?

Use your fingers and the mud to paint a face on your paper. Smear mud over the eyes. Think about how this must have felt for the blind man. Now wash your hands and imagine the blind man washing the mud off his eyes. When he opened them, he could see again! Why not get another bit of paper and draw what you think the blind man first saw when he opened his eyes.



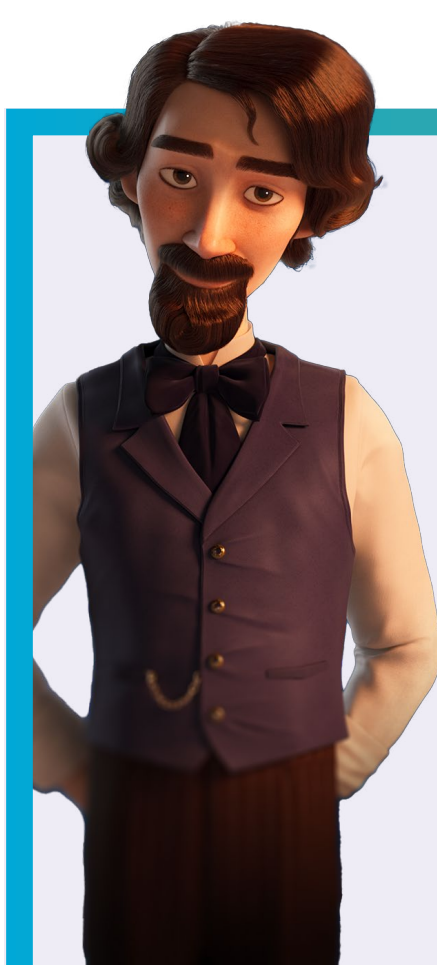
JESUS, I THANK YOU THAT YOU CARE ABOUT EACH ONE OF US, EVEN IF WE SOMETIMES DON'T FEEL IMPORTANT. SHOW ME WAYS THAT I CAN BE A LIGHT IN THE WORLD AND HELP ME TO SHARE YOUR LIGHT WITH MY FRIENDS AND FAMILY. AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: MARK 5:1–20



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: VIDEO 2



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine you're with Jesus when he meets this man.
How do you feel? How are people around him reacting?
How does Jesus respond to this man?
Do you think people were still afraid of this man after the miracle?
Why or why not? Would you still be afraid?

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Give it to God: You will need a small, clean jar, paper, scissors, crayons and some glue or tape.



It can be scary to think about bad things, like the evil spirits in this passage, but this story shows us that Jesus has power over evil.

Draw a pig, cut it out, then stick it to your jar. Then write down things that scare you on small pieces of paper and pop them inside. Each time you are afraid, write it down and add it to the jar. Just like Jesus sent the evil spirits into the pigs, God can take away our fears too! We can trust that he is more powerful than anything we are afraid of.

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Breaking Chains:

- Cut a piece of paper lengthways into three strips.
- Staple, glue, or tape the ends of one strip to make a loop.
- Place the second strip through the loop and join the ends together like you did with the first loop.
- Repeat this with the third strip, creating a mini paper chain.
- Once you have your chain, pull at either side to break it!

We see in the miracles of Jesus that he uses his power to help people. No matter what we have done or what we are scared of, Jesus has power over it all.

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Prayer Walk: In the story, Jesus tells the man to go home and tell everyone how much God has done for him. God is powerful and cares so much about us, but some people don't know that yet!

Go for a walk together and pray for the people in the houses you walk past. Ask God to help them and to protect them from the things they are scared of. Pray that they would come to know how much God loves them and that he is always with them.

You can also ask God to give you opportunities to tell your friends about what God has done for you!



JESUS, WE THANK YOU THAT IN THIS STORY WE SEE HOW MUCH YOU CARE FOR US. HELP US TO REMEMBER THAT YOU HAVE POWER OVER EVERYTHING—EVEN THE THINGS WE'RE SCARED OF. AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: MARK 2:1–12



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: VIDEO 3



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine you are one of the paralysed man's friends. How hard would it be to carry your friend up onto a roof, then lower him through? What would you be saying to each other? How do you think the paralysed man felt about being lowered through the roof? How do you think the homeowner felt about someone making a hole in their roof? What are some things we want Jesus to fix for us? He cares about all of our problems, but Jesus also knew this man's deepest need was actually for his sins to be forgiven.

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Woven Mat: You will need two sheets of A4 in different colours, tape, glue sticks and safety scissors.

Take one sheet of paper. Fold it in half lengthways, and cut even lines from the folded edge towards the open edge, stopping about 2 cm from the end so it stays in one piece. Unfold the paper—it should now look a bit like an air vent. Next, take the second sheet and cut it into long strips, roughly the same width as the gaps between the cuts in the first sheet. Weave each strip over and under through the cuts, alternating the pattern. Push each strip snugly into place to form a tight, even weave, then glue down the ends of each strip on the back to hold them in place.

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

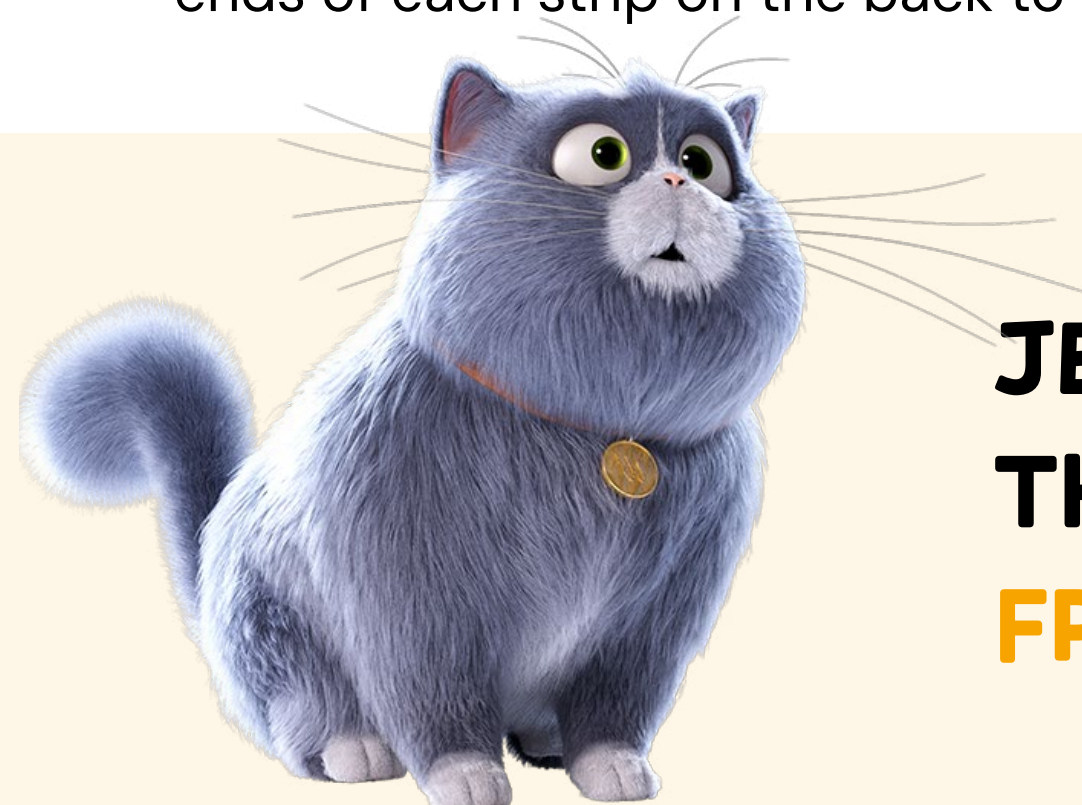
Obstacle Course: Prepare by creating an obstacle course with furniture and different objects from around the room. Get a blanket or towel and place a soft toy or unbreakable object onto it. Together with another person, hold one side each—try to keep the mat held taught and flat. Now carefully navigate though the obstacle course all the way to its end without bumping into anything or allowing the toy or object to roll off of the mat.

It wasn't an easy task for the friends to carry the man! They would have needed to communicate with each other to make sure they could get him in safely. But they were determined to help him meet Jesus.

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Trust Walk:

- Go into your garden or a park with scarves to use as blindfolds. Stand in a line with your hands on the shoulders of the person in front of you. Everyone should be blindfolded except for the leader.
- Trust the leader to guide you round a path of their choosing. How does it feel trusting someone else to lead you in the right way?
- This trust reminds us that our friends and family can help us in our relationship with God. The paralysed man trusted his friends to help him and we can do the same.



JESUS, THANK YOU THAT YOU FORGIVE US FOR ALL THE THINGS WE DO WRONG. THANK YOU THAT WE DON'T NEED TO DO EVERYTHING ALONE, AND WE HAVE FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO CAN HELP US IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU. AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: JOHN 6:1-14



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: VIDEO 4



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine you are the boy with the fish and bread, looking forward to eating his lunch. Do you think you would give away your food? Why do you think he did it?

How do you imagine Jesus did this miracle? Did the bread and loaves appear out of thin air? Did more just keep coming as they passed the food, or did the baskets suddenly refill?

Everyone was fed—and there were even leftovers! Who do you think took home the 12 baskets of food? What do you think this says about Jesus and how he looks after us?

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Our Gifts: God has given us all gifts—things we have and things that we're good at. We can use them to serve God and help other people. Write out all the things that you're good at, and think about how you can use them for God.

On a sticky-note, write: **'Then Jesus took the loaves and gave thanks. He handed out the bread to those who were seated. He gave them as much as they wanted. And he did the same with the fish.'**

Stick the note on your fridge as a reminder that God can do big things with the little that we have. Make more to stick on your packed lunches or your own loaf of bread!

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Feeding the 5,000: Take a few pieces of bread and see which of you can break it up into the most pieces. Can anyone manage 5,000?

Discuss together what the disciples might have thought when the loaves and fish kept coming.

NOTE: If everyone washes their hands before they begin and works to break the bread on clean surfaces, you can collect the 'leftovers' in a tub to store afterward. Turn them into breadcrumbs the next time you cook a meal to remember that even the smallest things can be used to make something great!

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Picnic: Set up a picnic outside with your lunch or for a snack. If you can, plan your picnic outing to a special place. This miracle took place on a mountainside—is there a local hill you could go to for your picnic?

Share some food together and discuss what it might have been like for the people eating together during Jesus' miracle. What do you think they would have talked about?

Have a bit of fun acting out the story, whether you are in your garden or on a hillside. Choose someone to be Jesus, blessing the food and passing it around. Make sure to take away all your leftovers too!



JESUS, THANK YOU THAT YOU CAN DO BIG THINGS WITH EVEN THE SMALLEST OF GIFTS, AND THAT YOU PROVIDE FOR ALL OUR NEEDS. HELP US TO BE GENEROUS WITH WHAT WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO HONOUR YOU. AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: MATTHEW 14:22–36



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: VIDEO 5



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine you are on the boat with the wind and rain in your face. Suddenly you see Jesus walking out on the water towards you. How do you feel?

Imagine Jesus tells you to come out of the boat and walk towards him? Would you do it?

When the people on the boat saw Jesus walk on water, they said, 'truly you are the Son of God!' Seeing this miracle caused them to believe and worship! When did you last feel inspired to worship God?

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Jesus Calms the Storm: Draw a circle in the middle of a piece of paper. Fill the space outside of the circle by painting or drawing lots of waves. Add lines of PVA glue on top of your waves, which will add texture when dry. In the middle of the circle write: 'Take courage! Don't be afraid.'

Even when everything around us feels scary, we can remember that when we have faith in Jesus, he calms the storm. If you have added texture to your picture, gently move your finger from the waves into the circle once it's dry. Feeling the smoothness after the rough waves can help you to remember how focusing on Jesus brings peace and calm in the middle of a storm.



REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Walking on Water:

- Fill a bath with an inch or two of water, or place a small amount of water in a basin on a towel on the floor.
- Take turns walking carefully through the water. As you walk, pay close attention to how the water feels—the coolness, the movement, the way it slips around your feet.
- Now imagine you're not just walking through a shallow bath, but in the middle of the vast, deep ocean.
- How do you think it would have felt for Peter to walk on water so far from shore? Would it have been exciting, scary, or maybe both?

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Floating Egg:

- Fill two containers with water and add a cup of salt to one of them. Make sure the containers are deep enough to clearly see whether an egg sinks or floats.
- Label the plain water 'doubt' and the salted water 'faith'.
- Take one or two eggs and carefully place one into each container. See which one floats and which one sinks.

The egg doesn't magically float on the salted water, the salt makes the water denser and helps to support it. Like Peter, when we focus on Jesus and have faith, we are able to do amazing things.

GOD, THANK YOU THAT YOU HAVE POWER OVER NATURE, EVEN THE WIND AND THE WAVES! FORGIVE US WHEN WE DOUBT YOUR POWER, AND HELP US TO REMEMBER THAT WHEN WE HAVE FAITH, WE CAN DO AMAZING THINGS! AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: **JOHN 11:32–44**



WATCH THE CLIP ONLINE: **VIDEO 6**



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine you're in the crowd when Jesus comes to Lazarus' tomb. What would you feel about Jesus turning up after Lazarus had died? Are there questions you would ask him?

When Lazarus came out of the tomb, what would your first reaction be? What would you say to the person next to you? What would you ask Lazarus?

What do you think Lazarus thought when he heard that Jesus had died on the cross? Do you think he believed Jesus could rise again?

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

Butterfly: You will need paper or card, a toilet roll tube, pens or paint, craft glue and pipe cleaners (if you have them). Start by drawing a large set of butterfly wings. Decorate the wings and paper tube with colours that make you feel happy. While you are doing this, think about why those colours make you feel this way and what they remind you of. Include the key verse in your design: **'If you believe, you will see the glory of God.'**

Glue the tube to the centre of the wings and attach paper or pipe cleaner antennae. Place your butterfly somewhere at home to remind you that God has the power to transform even the most hopeless situations.

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Capillary Experiment: Fill two clear cups with water. Add a few drops of food colouring to one of the cups (or use a cooled cup of tea if you don't have food colouring). Then, fold a piece of kitchen roll lengthways to create a bridge between the cups, making sure each end is submerged in water.

Notice how the coloured water slowly begins to travel along the paper and into the other cup. This process is called capillary action. As you watch the colour gradually spread, think about how as Jesus comes into our lives, he begins to transform the way we think, feel and act. Just like the clear water begins to change as the colour flows in, we start to see the world differently and become more like him.

REFLECT OUTDOORS

Five Senses Walk: Go for a walk together and think about how it feels—what do you see, hear, smell, taste and feel? Bring a blanket to hide under and imagine being Lazarus in the tomb. Think about what it would have been like for Lazarus, coming outside after being dead in a dark tomb for three days. What do you think he would have seen, heard, smelled, tasted and felt first?

The world is amazing, and we have so much to be thankful for, but the story of Lazarus reminds us that Jesus brings life where there was once only death. Like Lazarus, we are invited to hear Jesus' voice and follow Him into new life. Take a moment to reflect on what that means.



JESUS, WE THANK YOU THAT YOU BRING HOPE TO HOPELESS SITUATIONS. HELP US TO REMEMBER THAT WHEN WE BELIEVE IN YOU, YOU TRANSFORM US AND MAKE US MORE LIKE YOU. AMEN.



READ THE PASSAGE: **MATTHEW 28:1-10**



WATCH THE CLIPS ONLINE: **VIDEOS 7 & 8**



REFLECT ON WHAT YOU HAVE JUST READ, LISTENED TO AND WATCHED

Imagine yourself in the garden. What does the earthquake feel like? How does it sound? What do you see? What would 'an appearance like lightning' look like? What about 'clothes white as snow'? What would the angel's voice sound like?

Imagine you see Jesus for the first time after he has died. The passage says people were afraid but also filled with joy. Have you ever felt scared but also happy at the same time? Share what happened and what it felt like.

REFLECT ON YOUR OWN

The Stone: Find a stone or flat object. With a paint pen or marker, write the key verse: 'He is not here, he has risen.' Decorate the stone if you like. Hold it in your hand. Think about how it feels. Does it feel heavy? Bumpy?

Jesus died on the cross so that we can be forgiven for the bad things we do. Sometimes they make us feel like we are separated from God, like the heavy stone sealing the tomb. But Jesus died and rose again so that this barrier could be removed, just like the stone being rolled away.

Keep your stone as a reminder that Jesus has risen, removing the barrier between us and God, and no matter what we do, we can always go to God.

REFLECT WITH OTHERS

Miracle Charades: Write down the six miracles you've heard about on bits of paper. If you're a group bigger than six, write some of them twice. Fold them up, and put them in a bowl.

- healing a blind man
- casting out unclean spirits
- healing a paralysed man
- feeding the 5,000
- walking on water
- raising Lazarus

Take it in turns to choose a miracle from the bowl, and act it out for the others to guess. After you've finished, discuss which miracle is your favourite and why.

REFLECT OUTDOORS

The Empty Tomb: Set up a 'tomb' in your garden with a pop-up tent, or by draping a blanket over some chairs. Bring a roll of toilet paper with you, and have everyone sit inside the tomb together. Choose one person to lay down. Wrap them in toilet paper, leaving their face clear for safety.

Now choose someone else to be the 'angel' and read out 'He is not here; he has risen, just as he said!' When this is read out, have the 'dead' person raise up to life!

Have a chat in the tomb about Jesus' resurrection, asking if the children have any questions about these events. Consider why this miracle is considered the most important of them all.



THANK YOU JESUS THAT **YOU ARE THE TRUE KING OF KINGS**, AND THAT EVEN WITH ALL YOUR POWER, **YOU CHOSE TO DIE FOR ME**. YOU LOVED ME SO MUCH THAT YOU TOOK AWAY MY BIGGEST PROBLEM: SIN, AND NOW **I CAN BE IN YOUR KINGDOM FOREVER**. HELP ME TO HAVE FAITH IN YOU AND FOLLOW YOU FOR MY WHOLE LIFE. AMEN.