

Lesson 9

Saul Becomes King
1 Samuel 8:4–9:2; 10:17–27; 11:12–15

ACTIVITIES

Choose from the following activities and crafts to help connect Bible learning to life.

Good Gone Bad Made Good

Through the prophet Samuel, God warned the people against their desire for a king. Have children brainstorm examples of good ideas that eventually went bad. Perhaps a vacation that they were looking forward to but everything went wrong. How did God work out good from this situation?



Crown Craft

Find a crown pattern online. Trace around the pattern onto craft foam or construction paper and cut out. Give children markers, stickers, gems, buttons, or other decorations to decorate their crowns. Say, **Jesus, our King, has chosen you to be His children!**



Action Song

Sing this song to the tune of “If You’re Happy and You Know It.”

If you know that Jesus loves you, clap your hands.

(Clap, clap.) Repeat

Jesus is our Savior-King;

We will praise Him as we sing.

If you know that Jesus loves you, clap your hands. (Clap, clap.)

Sing additional verses: stomp your feet, turn around, give a cheer.



A King for Today

Some countries around the world still have kings. Many of these monarchs have limited powers because their government operates independent of the royal ruler. Have children use online resources to research more about modern monarchies and report their findings.

