



The King and the Kingdom

The Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 4:23-7:29; John 18:36-37



Review and Discussion:

Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ★ **Who is the King?** (Jesus)
- ★ **What people are part of His kingdom?** (Those who put God first in their life, trust Him, and obey Him are part of His kingdom.)
- ★ **In the story Jesus told, what happened to the house built on the sand?** (It fell down with a crash.)

Read the following thought aloud to help increase your child's understanding:

Jesus said that we can be like the man who built his house on the rock by putting Jesus' words into action. God wants to make our hearts like His. This happens when we trust Jesus and let His words guide our own hearts, choices and actions.



Explore God's Big Story:

Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God's Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

While on earth, Jesus taught people how to love God and love each other. He taught us that we can trust God to take care of us.



Memory Verse:

Anyone who listens to my teaching (*cup hand around your ear*)
and follows it is wise (*point to your head*),
like a person who builds a house (*bring fingertips together above your head*)
on solid rock (*pound one fist on the other palm*).

Matthew 7:24 (NLT)



Talk to God:

Dear God,
Thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to be my hope and help. Worry and fears will come. Help me to remember to choose to trust in You when they do.
Amen.

