



# Friends of Jesus and Mary

## XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

*2 Samuel 5, 1-3; 20-22; Psalms 122; Colossians 1, 12-20; Luke 23, 35-43*

### The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine, they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

#### Reflection

**What is a king?** (He is the monarch who rules over a kingdom)

**How does he live?** (He lives in a castle with many servants; he wears a crown, and clothes of elegant fabrics; he sits on a gold throne and is surrounded by wealthy nobles.)

**What are his responsibilities?** (In ancient times, they made laws, judged criminals, collected rent from their properties, and made sure their subjects had food and protection...Some kings still have these responsibilities.)

**Jesus said He is a King, but not of this world.**

**Where is Jesus' kingdom?** (He reigns in our heart, in the Church, in the universe, and in Heaven.)

**Describe Jesus' kingship.** (Jesus loves poverty: He was born in a stable, dressed with simple tunics, did not have a house, his friends were poor fishermen and sinners. He dedicated His life to saving souls and telling everyone about God's love and mercy. He taught that the servant was the most important person and showed us by washing His apostle's feet. He cured the sick, fed the hungry, forgave the sinner, expelled demons, and for love, and His throne was the cross when He sacrificed His life to save us.)

**What attitude did the thieves have who were on each side of Jesus on the Cross?** (One of them mocked and told him to save himself. The other thief repented and asked Jesus to remember him when he arrived in his Kingdom.)

**What did Jesus respond to each of them?** (He ignored the first; He promised the second, "Today you will be with me in Heaven.")

**Jesus wants us to be like the good thief: to repent of our sins and to desire to be with Him in Heaven, following Him in all things. How can we imitate Jesus, our King, and thus have Him in our heart and spend forever in Heaven with Him?** Share.

#### Activity

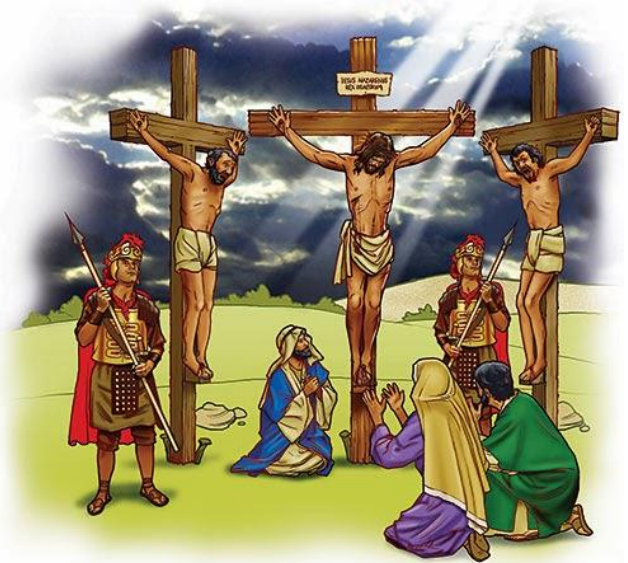
On the following 2 pages, follow the instructions to complete the Crossword Puzzle and color the Crown of Jesus. On the last 2 pages complete craft, the 4 castles of Christ the King and talk about how we can show that Jesus is King of our heart.

#### Prayer

Thank you, Lord, for your saving Word. Thank you for coming to teach us a new path that leads us to You. Thank you for giving yourself completely for Me. You are our King, reign forever in my life and in my heart. Amen.

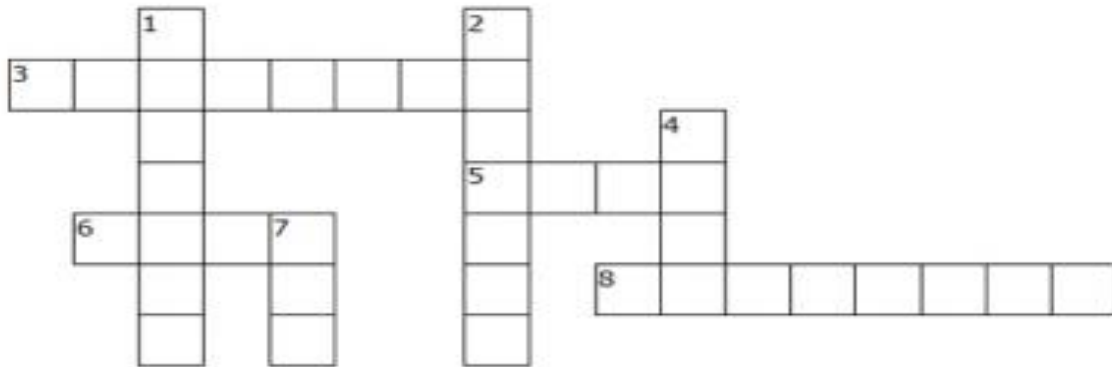
**Song:** Awesome God – Cedarmont Kids. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3\\_oCdVcHayA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3_oCdVcHayA)

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## Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

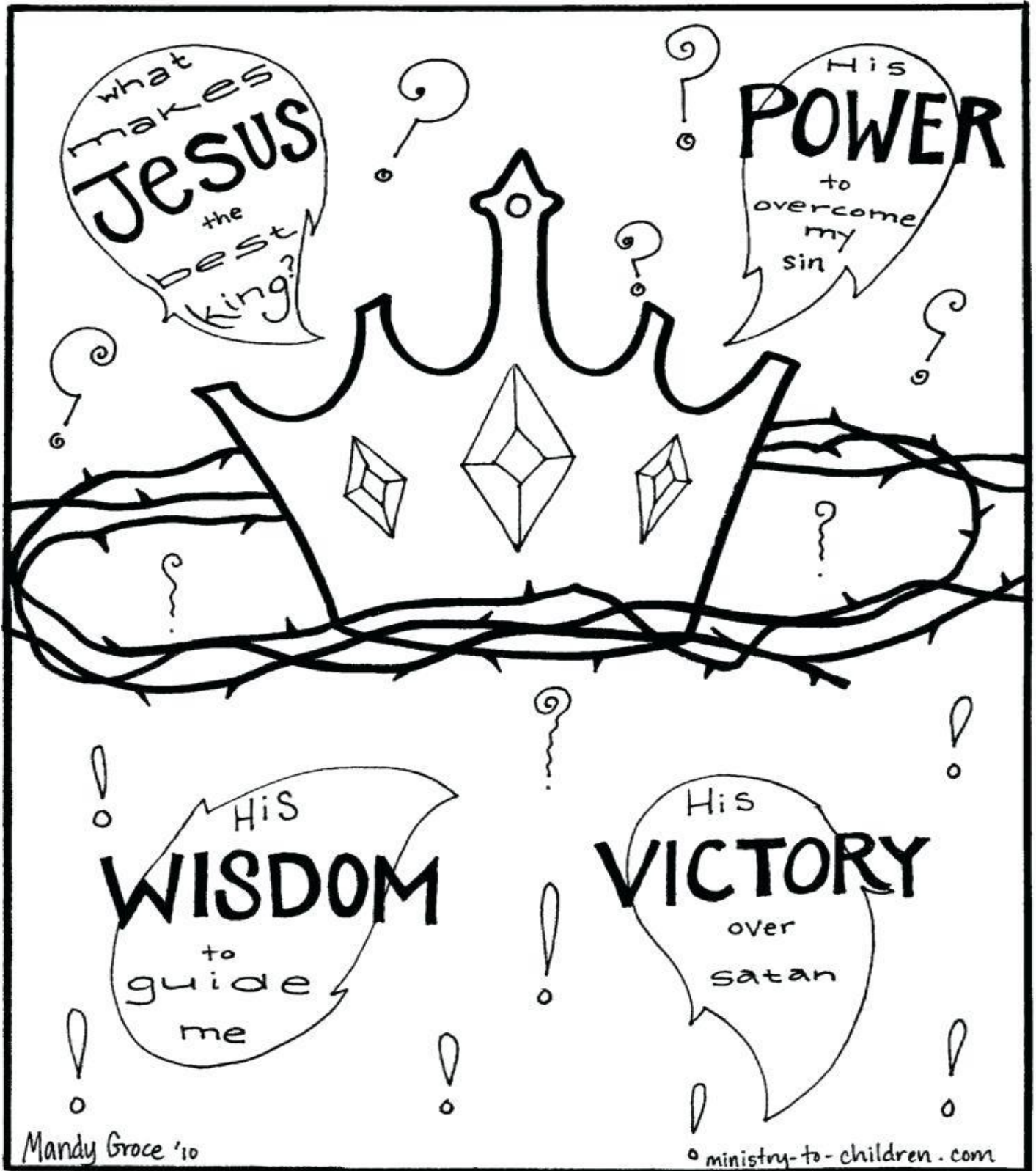
3. A place of peace and rest; sometimes used to describe heaven
5. To rescue someone from harm
6. A male ruler; opposite of queen
8. A person guilty of crime

### DOWN

1. To kill by nailing to a cross
2. The promised Savior sent from God
4. To be afraid of something
7. The creator and ruler of the universe

CRUCIFY	PARADISE	GOD	CRIMINAL
SAVE	FEAR	KING	MESSIAH









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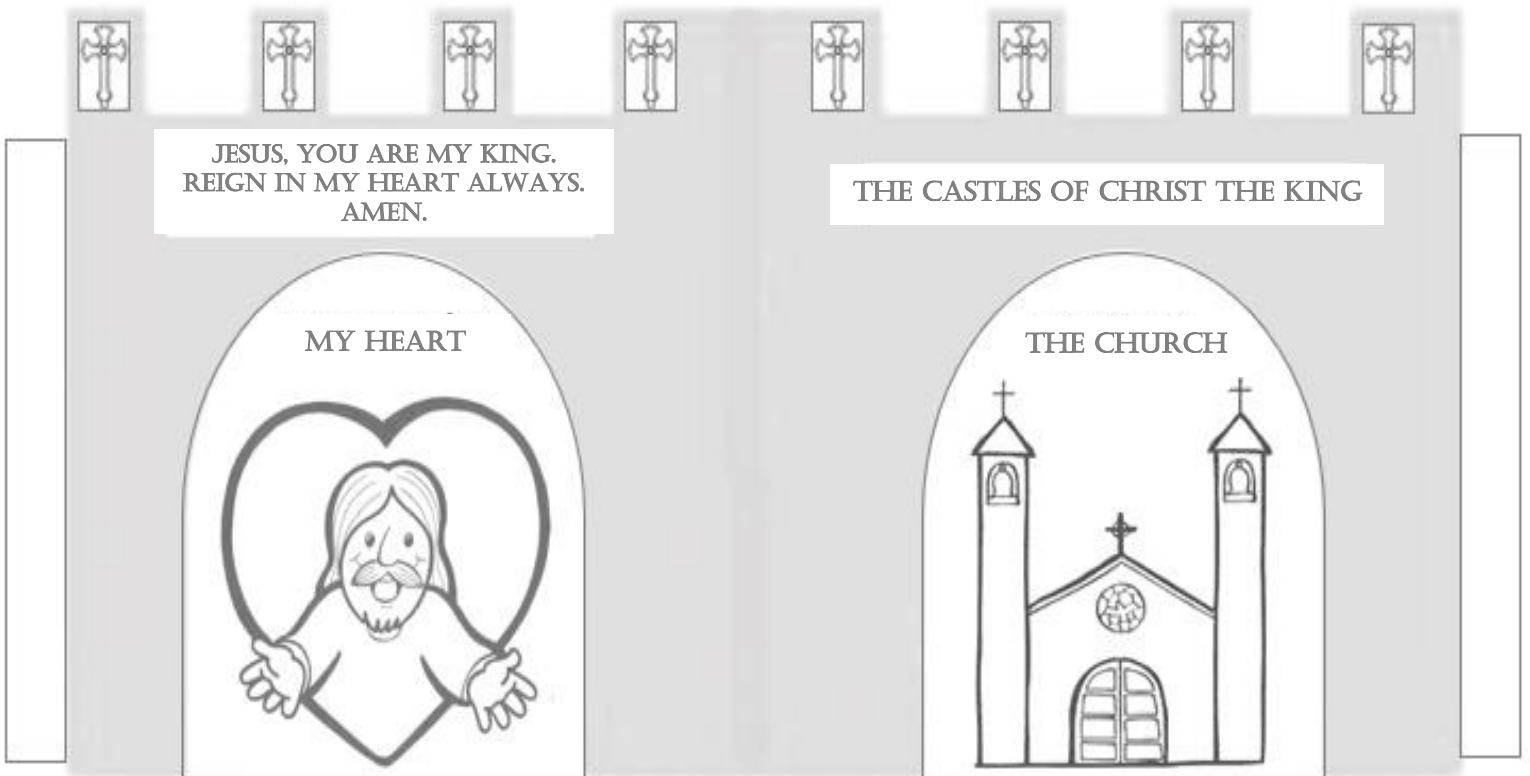
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# CRAFT



## THE CASTLES OF CHRIST THE KING

Instructions: print, cut, and color the 4 walls of the Castles of Christ the King. Fold the two flaps on the end and tape to the inside of the other two walls. Talk about Jesus' 4 castles and how we can show others that He reigns in our hearts.



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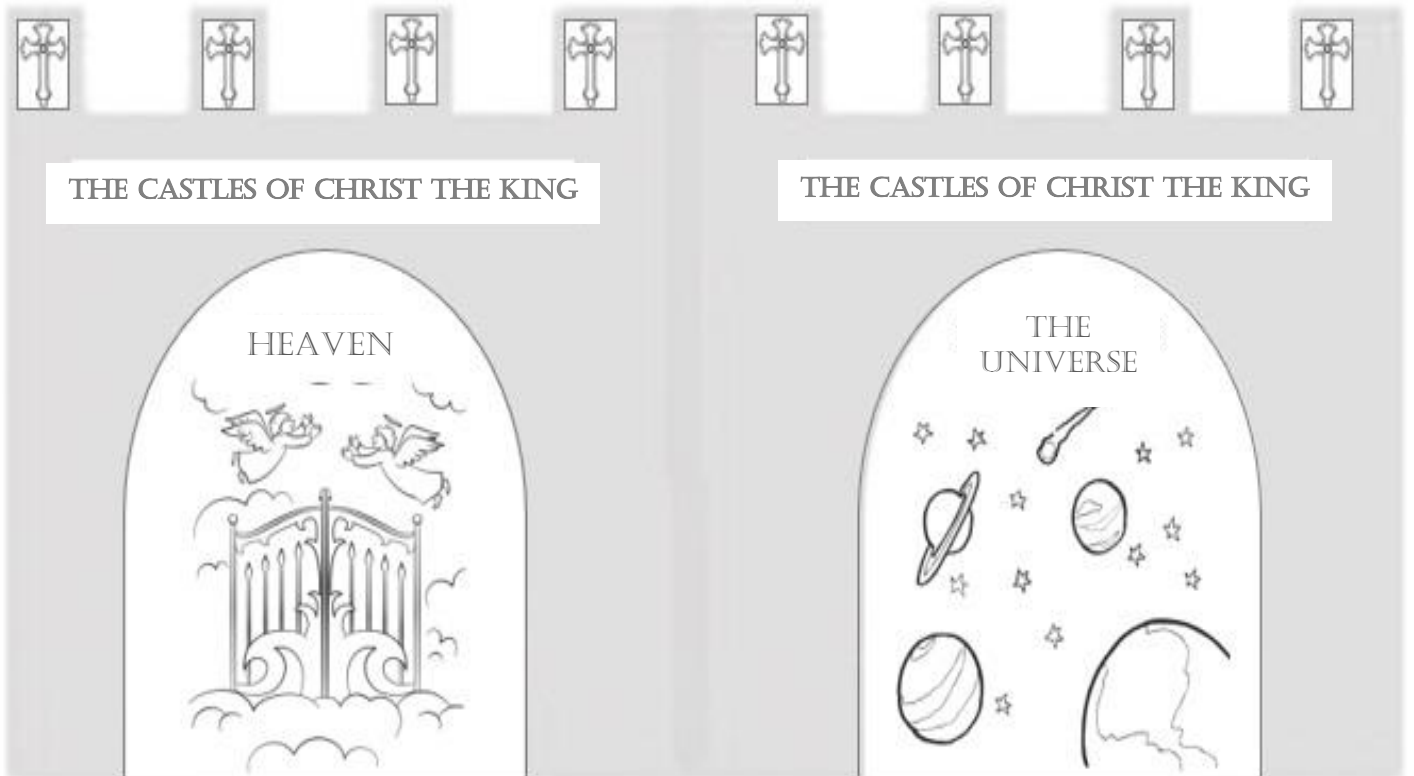


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