What Do I See at Calvary?

Upon the Cross

A Children's Sermon for the Sixth Week of Lent

Needed - A sign that reads "THIS IS JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS"

Sometimes people can be mean. On Good Friday, the people who wanted Jesus dead were very mean. They were jealous of Jesus. They bullied him and said things like "You saved others, why don't you save yourself?" They teased him, spit on him and made him wear a horrible, painful crown of thorns.

I have something for you to see today. It is a sign. Who can read what this says? (Hold up sign. Let the children respond.) Right. When Jesus was on the cross, the mean people put a sign over his head that read "This is Jesus Christ: The King of the Jews."

The people thought they were making fun of Jesus with that sign.

But what they didn't realize is that Jesus really IS a king. And he's nothing like the kings of earth—the kind with riches, a palace, with servants waiting on him and who is always getting his way. Oh no, Jesus is so much better! He is the King over all of those kings. Jesus is King of everything!

And he's the King who will do absolutely anything to show us how much he loves us. He put up with the bullies and died on the cross to save us! We never have to worry about bullies, or even about death because we have the love of Jesus, who is far more powerful than bullies ... even more powerful than death.

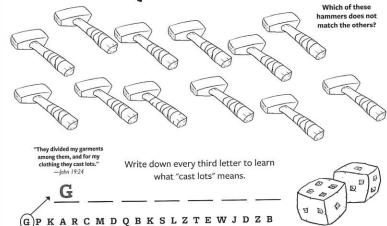
Jesus is our glorious King! His palace is heaven! His riches are all of creation! He has power beyond any measure. And angels to serve him. Best of all, he wants to share all this with US! He wants us to live with him—in his everlasting kingdom—where we have everything we could ever need and more!

Pray with me.

Lord Jesus, when I see you on the cross, help me remember I am looking at my King. The King who chose to suffer just to show me how much you love me—so that I can live in your kingdom, forever! Amen.

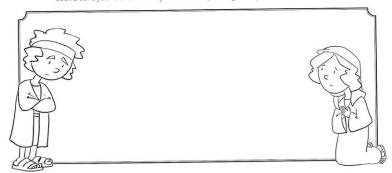
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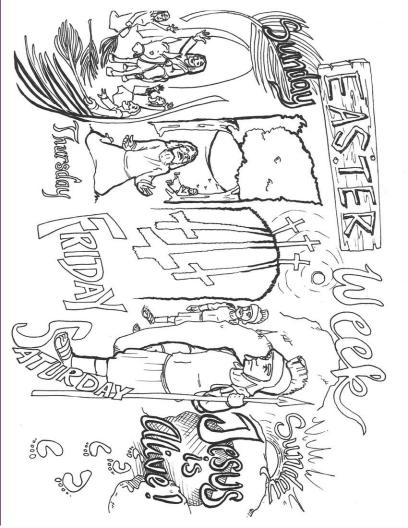
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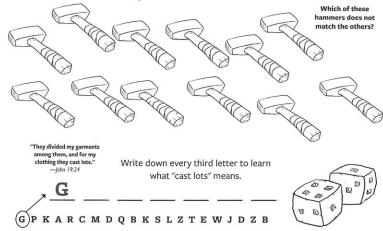
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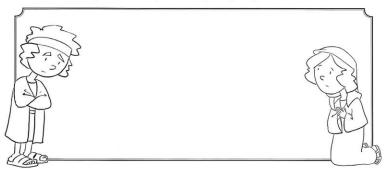
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