

WILL THE REAL KING STAND UP?

(Jerusalem) — The people who lived in Jesus' country of Palestine had too many kings. They had a king named Herod who sat on a throne in Jerusalem. They also had a ruler who came from Rome, named Pontius Pilate. Pilate had more power than Herod did. Even greater than Herod or Pilate was the emperor of the whole empire, Caesar, who ruled from Rome, far away from Palestine. He could send armies to punish anybody who did not obey.

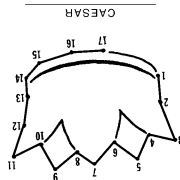
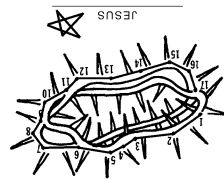
When Jesus went to talk to Pilate in his palace one day, the people did not know exactly who their real king was. They didn't realize that Jesus had more power than Herod, Pilate, or Caesar. Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you a king?" Jesus told Pilate, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." Jesus is the king of the whole universe!

John 18:33-37

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MATCHING WORDS:

ARMIES	WORLD
POWER	EARTH
RULER	NATION
THRONES	TROOPS
COUNTRY	LEADER
CHAIR	FORCE



FINISH THE PICTURE:

KING'S THINGS:

ANSWERS

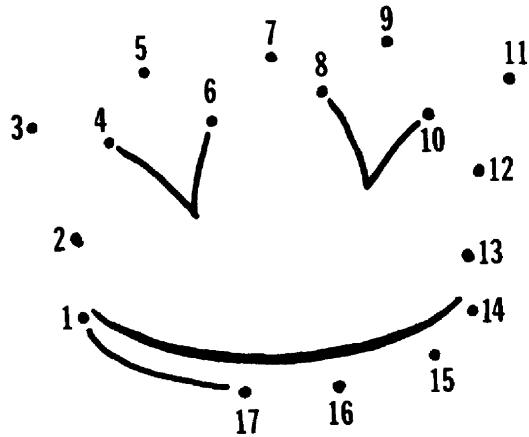
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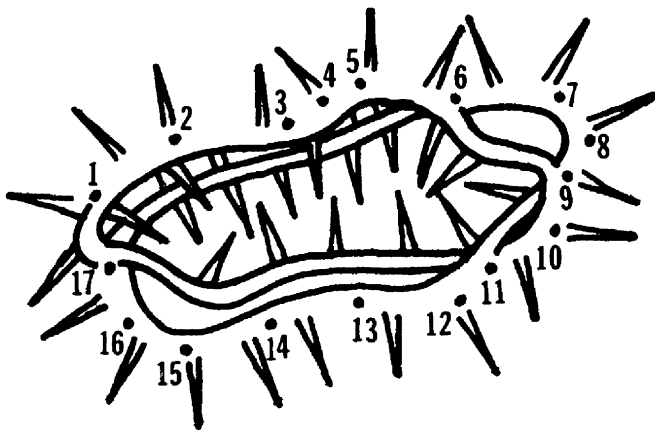


SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



Finish The Picture. Here are two pictures of crowns. They don't look anything like each other. Complete both pictures by following the numbers. When you are finished, write the name "Caesar" under the crown that belongs to him and the name "Jesus" under the crown that belongs to him. Then put a big star by the name of the one who has the real power.





Kings' Things. Today's Gospel story talks about King Herod and the king we worship — Jesus. Below are pictures of some "king things." If you think it's a picture of something King Herod would have, draw a big "X" through it. If it's a picture of something that makes you think of Jesus, draw a circle around it.



Matching Words. Sometimes we wonder who is really the strongest one. Today's Gospel story tells us the strongest one is God. Here are some words from today's story and some words to match with them. Draw lines to connect each word in the left column with the word in the right column that matches it.

COUNTRY

LEADER

THRONE

TROOPS

RULER

NATION

POWER

EARTH

WORLD

FORCE

ARMIES

CHAIR