

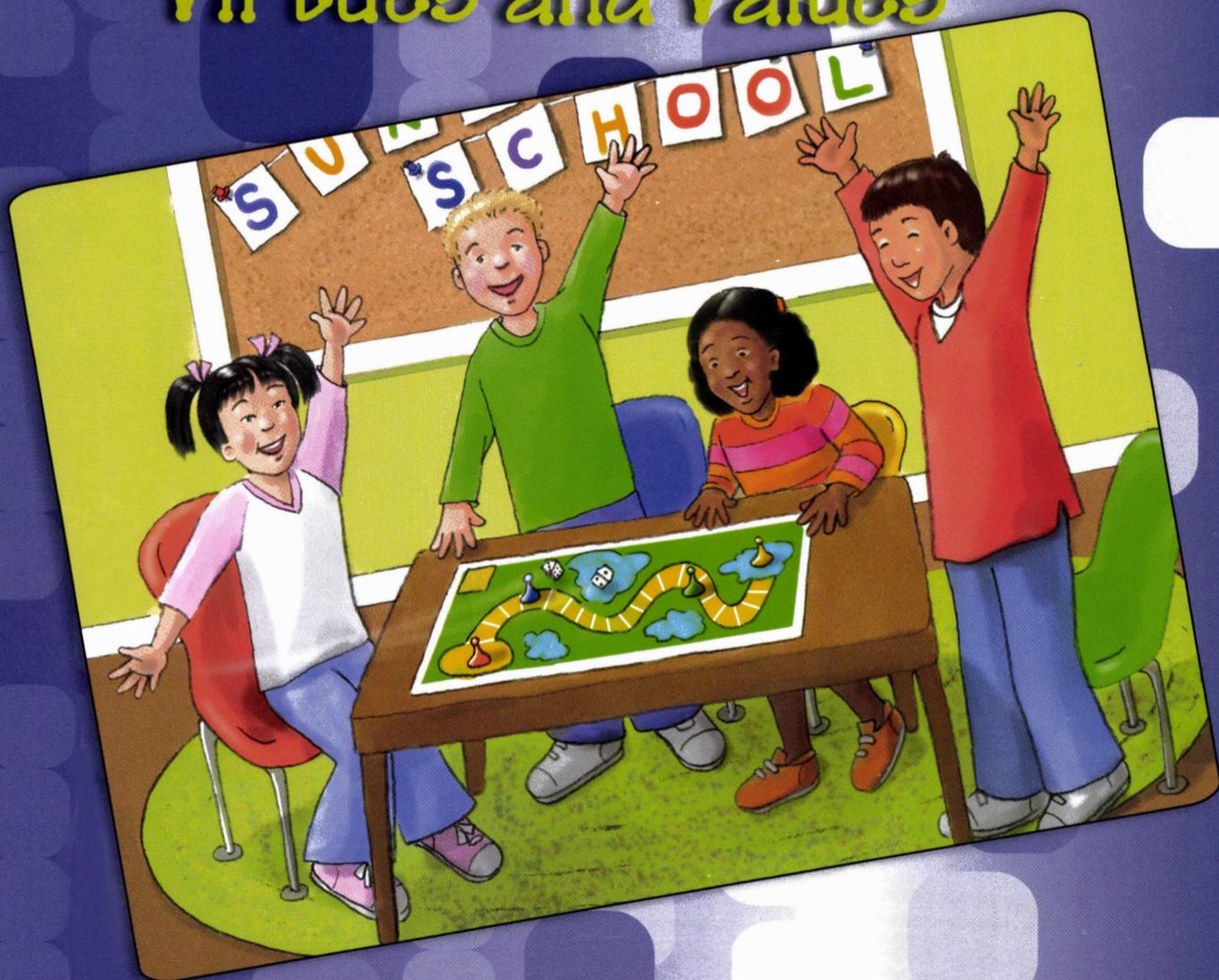
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Virtues and Values



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Dedicated to . . .

My husband, RB, and my daughters, Melanie and Emily.
I hope your crowns are big enough to handle
all of the jewels that are recommended by me.

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Introduction

Virtues and Values teaches that all who are looking and longing for Christ to return will receive a crown of righteousness. Your class will be encouraged to live so their lives will be precious jewels to present to Christ when He appears. *Virtues and Values* contains dozens of activities based on those jewels, as described in the Bible. Each of the first eight chapters includes a Bible story, memory verse and numerous activities to help reinforce the truth in the lesson. An additional chapter contains miscellaneous projects that can be used anytime throughout the study. Teacher aids are also sprinkled throughout the book, including bulletin board ideas and discussion starters.

As you work through the lessons, you may use your own judgment as to the appropriateness of the projects for your class. Everything in this book is designed to meet the 5 to 10 age range, however some activities may be more appealing to a younger group while others will more readily meet the abilities of older children.

The most exciting aspect of the *Instant Bible Lessons* series, which includes *God's Angels*, *Bible Truths* and *Talking to God* as well as *Virtues and Values*, is its flexibility. You can easily adapt these lessons to a Sunday School hour, a children's church service, a Wednesday night Bible study or home use. And, because there is a variety of reproducible ideas from which to choose (see below), you will enjoy creating a class session that is best for your group of students—whether large or small, beginning or advanced, active or studious. Plus, the intriguing topics will keep your kids coming back for more, week after week.

This book is written to add fun and uniqueness to learning while reinforcing the anticipation of our crown of righteousness. Teaching children is exciting and rewarding. Okay, sometimes it's frustrating and challenging, but what joy results in obedience to the Bible: "Train up a child in the way he should go" (Proverbs 22:6). As a teacher, your crown will glisten with the jewel of faithfulness.

How to Use This Book

Each chapter begins with a Bible story which you may read to your class, followed by discussion questions. Then, use any or all of the activities in the chapter to help drive home the message of that lesson. All of the activities are tagged with one of the icons below, so you can quickly flip through the chapter and select the projects you need. Simply cut off the teacher instructions on the pages and duplicate as desired. Also, see pages 87 and 88 for reproducible notes you can fill in and send home to parents.



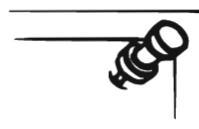
craft



skit



teacher help



bulletin board



activity



puzzle



action rhyme



song



finger play



game



snack

Chapter 1

God Gives Me a Crown

Memory Verse

There is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord...will award to me...and...to all who have longed for his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:8

Story to Share

Looking and Watching

James thought back over the past 40 days. So much had happened! Sadness crossed his face as he recalled the day Jesus was nailed to the cross. Jesus, who had never sinned, had suffered a painful death. He died to take the punishment for our sins.



Then a look of pure joy broke through the sadness as he remembered what happened three days after Jesus' death. James' brother, John, noticed the smile on James' face.

"James, what are you so happy about?" John asked his brother. "Did you get invited to Aunt Martha's for supper?"

Now that would've been something to smile about! Aunt Martha was known for her food. She could fry fish better than anyone. "No, John," James answered. "I was remembering the day Mary found the empty tomb."

Both brothers were lost in thought, remembering the joyous resurrection and the miracles and teachings of Jesus since that day. They walked along, their sandals filling with dust as they followed the resurrected Jesus to Bethany.

James and the other disciples gathered around Jesus. James felt the peace which was always with him when Jesus was near, but today that peace was mixed with anticipation.

"I want you, My disciples, to spread the news of My death and resurrection," Jesus instructed. "The Holy Spirit will come to give you power to spread the news throughout the land."

James watched in awe as Jesus was then lifted into the clouds. Stunned, none of the disciples moved.

"Why are you staring into heaven?" James heard. Turning, he saw two men dressed in white. "Jesus went to be with His Father, God," the men said. "One day He will return to you just as He went away."

Once again James was filled with joy — he was going to spread the Good News and watch for Jesus' return.

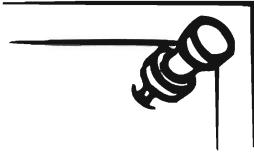
For those waiting for Jesus to return there is a promise of a crown — a crown of righteousness. Let's live like Jesus wants us to so our lives will be precious jewels to present to Him: jewels of compassion, cooperation, submission, determination, appreciation, conviction and adoration.

—based on Acts 1:3-11

Questions for Discussion

1. Are you watching for Jesus to come again?
2. What were the disciples supposed to do while they were waiting for Jesus? Can we do that today?

We're Looking for Jesus



bulletin board

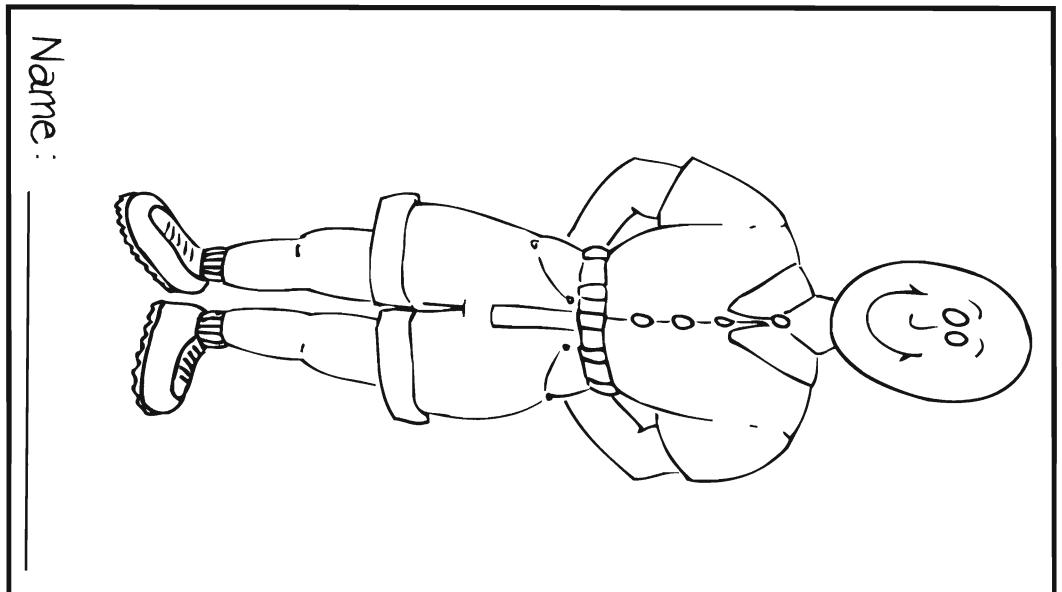
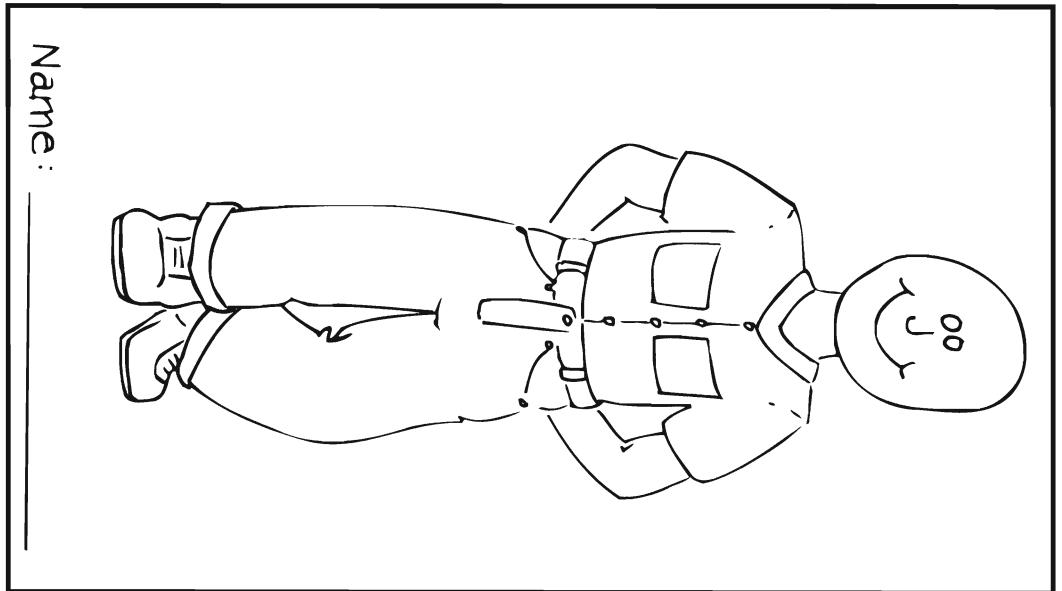
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Materials

- boys and girls patterns
- crayons
- scissors
- glue
- "We're Looking For Jesus" lettering

Directions

1. Have the children color a boy or girl figure to look like themselves, then cut it out on the box lines.
2. Post "We're Looking For Jesus" lettering at the top of the bulletin board.
3. Space the children figures around the bulletin board and attach.
4. See page 9 for an additional activity to add to this bulletin board.



Into the Clouds



craft

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Materials

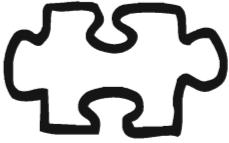
- illustration, duplicated
- crayons
- glue
- cotton balls

Directions

1. Have the children color the picture of Jesus.
2. Show how to stretch the cotton balls and glue them to the cloud.
3. Say, **Write your name on the line if you are looking for Jesus to come back.**
4. This craft may be used with the p. 8 activity for a bulletin board display.

**God Gives Me
a Crown**

Presenting Myself to God



puzzle



Materials

- puzzle, duplicated
- pencils

Discuss

Say, Do you have a favorite toy? (Allow time for responses.) What about favorite clothes? Does God want you to give your favorite things to Him? No, you don't have one thing that God wants. He only wants you.

You can find out what God wants if you cross out these letters:

T, S, O, H, P, R, B, I, L, C, K, A, D, U

What is left that God wants?

Write the remaining letters on the line:

TOPBLOCKSMCARDOLLETRUCKSHIRT



I want to live my life for God.

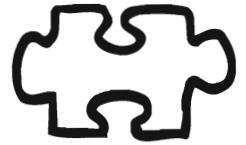


(sign)



Looking for Jesus

Jason is inviting his friend Emily to Sunday School.
Can you find and color the 10 crowns hidden in the picture?



puzzle



Materials

- puzzle, duplicated
- crayons

Discuss

Say, We are promised the crown of righteousness if we are looking for Jesus to come back. This doesn't mean we will sit gazing up at the sky, watching for a break in one of the clouds. Jesus told His disciples to spread the good news of His death and resurrection throughout the world. You can tell your friends about Jesus, too.

*There is in store for me the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord...will award to me...and...to all who
have longed for his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:8*

**God Gives Me
a Crown**

Are You Looking?



song



Directions

Sing to the tune of “Did You Ever See a Lassie?” Have the children make the Looking Glasses from page 13 and wear them as you sing.

Are you looking for His coming, His coming, His coming?

Are you looking for His coming?

He’s coming again.

He will give us a crown, if we’re looking and longing.

Are you looking for His coming?

He’s coming again.

I am looking for His coming, His coming, His coming.

I am looking for His coming.

He’s coming again.

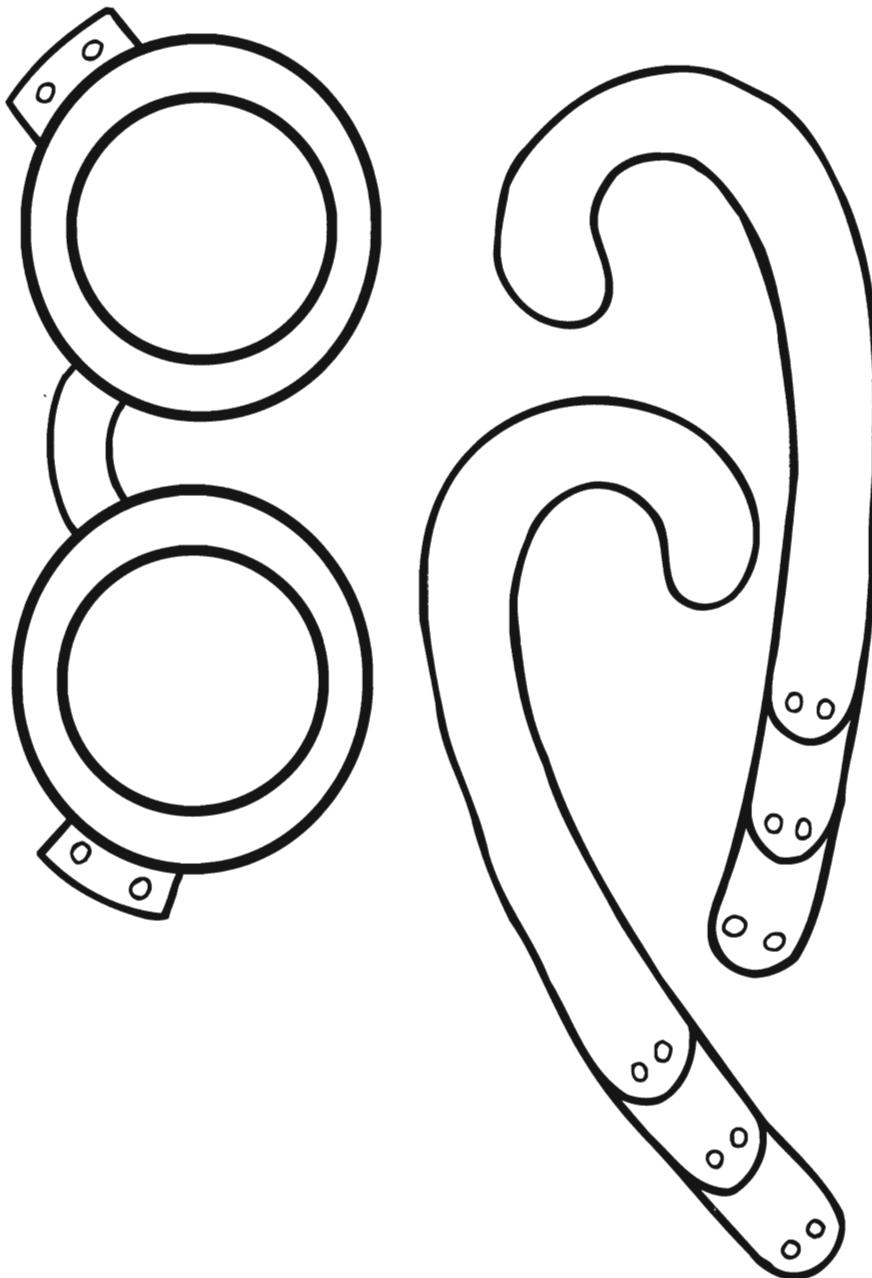
He will give me a crown — a crown of righteousness.

I am looking for His coming.

He’s coming again.



Looking Glasses



craft

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Materials

- glasses, duplicated to heavy white paper
- scissors
- crayons
- colored cellophane paper, pre-cut
- tape or glue

Directions

1. Have the children color the glasses parts and cut them out.
2. Show how to carefully cut out the centers of the lenses.
3. Give each child two squares of cellophane and instruct the class to glue it behind each lens opening.
4. Help them to size the arms to fit their head by cutting off any excess. Then they may tape or glue the arms to the lens piece.
5. Have the children put on their glasses when you sing “Are You Looking?”

**God Gives Me
a Crown**



game



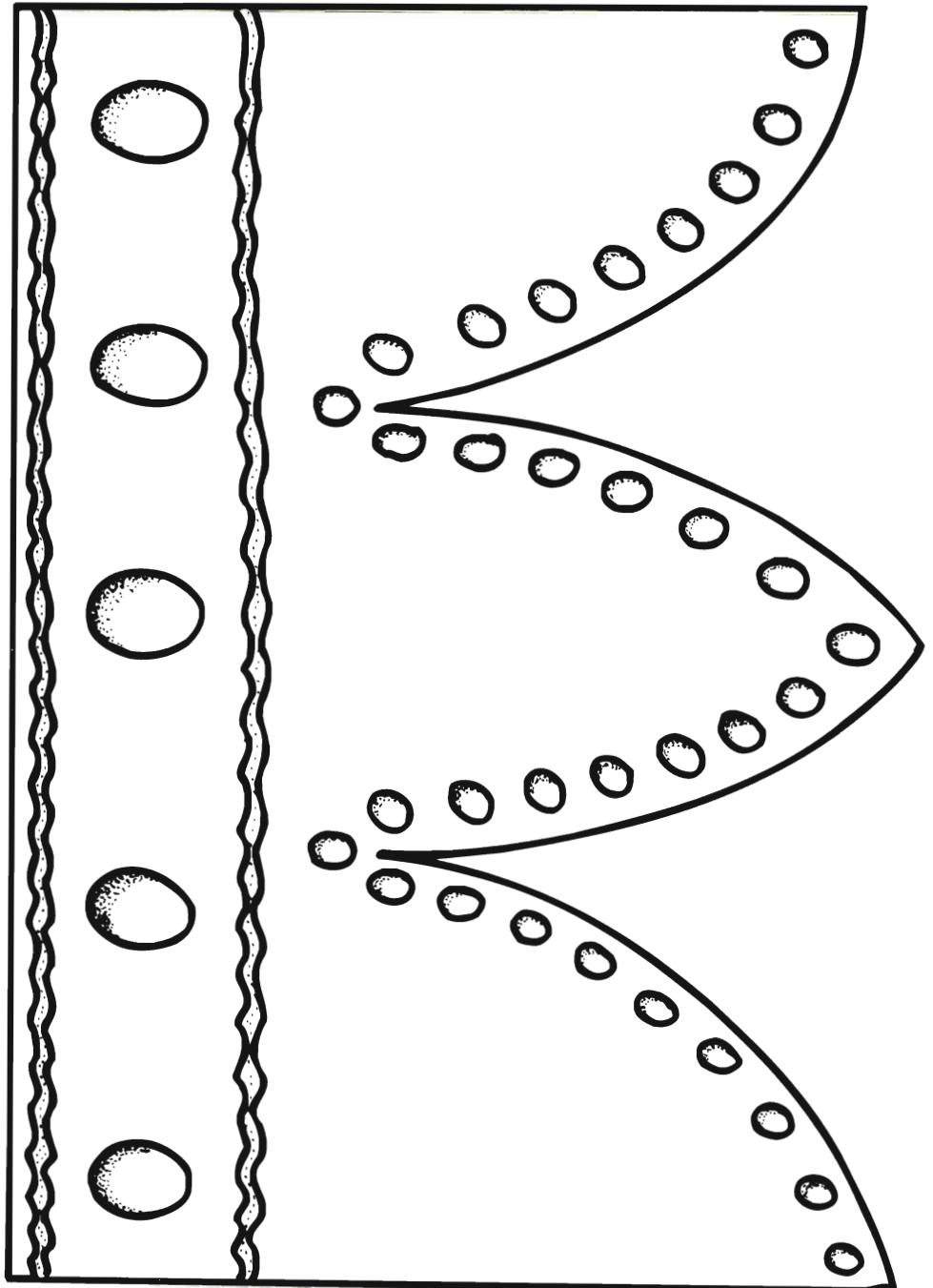
Materials

- boy and crown, duplicated to gold paper
- scissors
- push pins or tape
- blindfold

Directions

1. Color and cut out the boy and the crown.
2. Hang the boy on the bulletin board.
3. Choose a child to blindfold. Give him or her the crown.
4. As you turn the child around, say the memory verse together.
5. See how close to the boy's head the students can place the crown, similar to "Pin the Tail on the Donkey."

Pin the Crown on the Boy



**God Gives Me
a Crown**



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righteousness, which the Lord... will
award to me...and...to all who have
longed for his appearing.
2 Timothy 4:8**