

We Have a Forever King (3/31/24)

Main Verses: Luke 1:30-33

Key Verse: Luke 1:33

'Takeaway': Just as God's promise to David of an eternal throne came true thru the resurrection of Jesus, we can trust that he will always remain faithful as our 'Forever King'.



Getting Started: How do you know you trust someone?

READ Luke 1:30-33 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

Toddler/PreK:

- What did the angel know that Mary didn't?
- Why does the angel mention David?
- How do these verses help us understand Jesus's death & resurrection more?
- Why can we celebrate Jesus's resurrection with confidence & great hope?

Elementary:

- The angel had a "bigger picture" here than Mary could have. What did he know that she didn't? Why does he mention David?
- How do these verses help us understand, & give context to, Jesus's death & resurrection?
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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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- Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise to King David that David's house (family) will be established as a forever kingdom. (2 Samuel 7:16)
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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

(Toddler/PreK) Talk to God. Thank him for his faithfulness. Thank God that he always keeps his promises. Thank him that thru faith in Jesus we have a Faithful King forever. Ask him to help you to learn more about him, & his great plan for redemption, fulfilled in Jesus's death & resurrection, that makes a way for us to love him & live with him forever.

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