



Era 6: Kingdom

Day 1

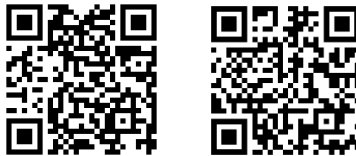
Last week, we left off with the era of the judges coming to an end with Samuel. Samuel's mom, Hannah, promised God that if He gave her a son, she would give him back to the Lord. So, to keep her promise, after Samuel was born, Hannah left Samuel in Eli's (a priest), care to be raised in service with God. Samuel goes on to become a prophet. If you want to watch Samuel's full story again you can watch it here.

Samuel's story leads us into Era 6: Kingdom! God wanted the Israelites to only worship Him, but the Israelites wanted a king. They wanted to look powerful, and they thought having a man as king would help them. BUT! We know that demanding a king probably won't work out well for them. So let's meet the first king, Saul.



Days 2 & 3

We see that Saul started out fine, but that didn't last long. When Saul didn't obey God, it was time for a new king. God removed kingship from Saul's family, and told Samuel to go a man named Jesse's house because He has chosen one of Jesse's sons to be king. Here is more of the story of Saul and David:



David and Goliath



The Good Shepard





Day 4

David's son, Solomon, is our next king. David told Solomon to be strong, obey the Law of Moses, and walk in the way of the Lord. Like his dad, Solomon does a great job in the beginning, but as we learn over and over again, no king is perfect. Until we meet our one true king, Jesus, of course! But let's learn of some of the good things Solomon did in the beginning.



Day 5

After Solomon, things get a little crazy between the different kingdoms. If you have a Jesus Storybook Bible, read the following stories with your child. These are stories of some of the prophets and events that lead up to the birth of Jesus.

“A little servant girl and the proud general”



“Operation “No More Tears!”



“Daniel and the scary sleepover”



“Get ready!”

