

First Look | November 30

Today's Bible Story: I can praise God.

David Praises God. • 2 Samuel 6:12-15

Key Question: Who can thank God for everything?

Bottom Line: I can thank God for everything.

Memory Verse: *I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.* (Psalm 111:1 ESV)

1. Crown David

What You Need:

- Paper crown cutouts (one per child)
- Jewel stickers or adhesive gems
- Crayons or markers
- Various stickers for decorating the crowns.

What You Do:

Before the Activity:

Prepare a crown cutout for each child. Set out jewel stickers and coloring supplies on the table. Secure ends of the crowns together to fit heads once decorating is complete.

During the Activity:

Invite children to decorate their crown for King David using stickers, markers, and other materials. Encourage them to be creative and talk about what kind of crown a king who loved God might wear.

After the Activity:

Let each child wear their crown and introduce the Bible story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity:

"Friends, today we're going to make something very special—a crown fit for a king! Do you know who we're making it for? That's right, King David! He was a great king who loved God very much. Let's decorate beautiful crowns with jewels and colors!"

During the Activity:

"Look at all these amazing crowns you're creating! I think King David would be so happy to wear one like yours. What colors are you using? What kind of jewels are you adding? Wow, so sparkly and royal!"

After the Activity:

"Your crowns are beautiful! When we wear these crowns, let's remember that we can praise God any time we want to tell God thank You for everything! That's exactly what King David did and we can too! And **who can thank God for everything?** [*Bottom Line*] **I can thank God for everything!** Yes! You can thank God for everything, and [*Bottom Line*] **I can thank God for everything!**"

Inclusive Pro-Tips:

- Pre-stick a few jewels to give children a head start.

2. Pray

“Dear God, we praise You because You are the one true God, and You made everything! That’s why we can thank YOU for EVERYTHING! [Child’s name] thanks You for [what they listed]. [Child’s name] thanks You for... *(say this with each child’s name and what they listed)*. We love You, God! In Jesus’ name. Amen.”