

# Bible Story Summary

- When Belshazzar was the king of Babylon, Daniel had a strange dream.
- This dream was a message from God. In the dream, Daniel saw four big creatures come up from the sea. Each was different from the others.
- The first creature was like a lion. It also had wings like an eagle. The second creature was like a bear. It had three ribs in its mouth. The third creature was like a leopard. It also had four wings on its back and four heads. The fourth creature was strong and scary; it had large teeth and destroyed everything in its way. It also had 10 horns.
- Then Daniel saw a place in heaven with thrones. God sat down on a throne to judge the creatures. His hair and clothing were white like snow and His throne was like fire. God took away the creatures' power. God let the first three creatures live for a short time, but the creature with horns was killed.
- Suddenly, God's Son came. God gave Him power to rule over everything. He was the king, and people from every nation and language served Him. His kingdom would last forever; it would never be destroyed.
- Daniel was frightened by the dream, but God told Daniel what the dreams meant. The four creatures were four kings, who represent four kingdoms on the earth. They would rule for a time, but then God would give His people the kingdom forever and ever.

# **Family Discussion Questions**

**As a family read Daniel 7**

- **What are some things you can pray about?**
- **Why should you trust God?**
- **How can God help you in a difficult situation?**

FAMILY

# Activity

As a family sit in a circle. The first person will say, "If I were king, I would ..." and then give a short answer to fill in the blank. The next person gives their answer to fill in the blank, but must also say the first person's answer. Continue around the circle until everyone gets a chance to share what they would do if they were king.

Talk about how many kings have ruled the earth. Every king reigns for a while, and then his reign ends. They all make bad decisions but Jesus' kingdom will be perfect.



# Craft

**Jesus is King over all things. God allows people to rule for a short time, but one day Jesus will return and set up His perfect kingdom. Everyone who trusts in Jesus will be welcomed into His kingdom, and His kingdom will last forever.**

**What you need:**  
**Crown printable**  
**Markers and crayons**  
**Scissors**  
**Stickers**  
**Stapler or tape**

- **Print "crown printable".**
- **Color and decorate all three parts of the printable.**
- **Cut out the crown and back straps.**
- **Have someone measure your head to see if you will need both back straps.**
- **Tape or staple the strap to each side of the front crown piece.**

