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Craft Ideas

1. Me

You will need:

- Printout of the paper person template
- Pens/crayons/pencils
- Scissors
- Glue
- Collage pieces e.g. small bits of paper, small cuts of fabric, craft hair, cupcake papers etc

Instructions:

- 1. Print out person template.
- 2. Trace over writing on one side (I am made right with God by repenting and accepting Jesus as my King).
- 3. Decorate yourself on the other side of cut out.

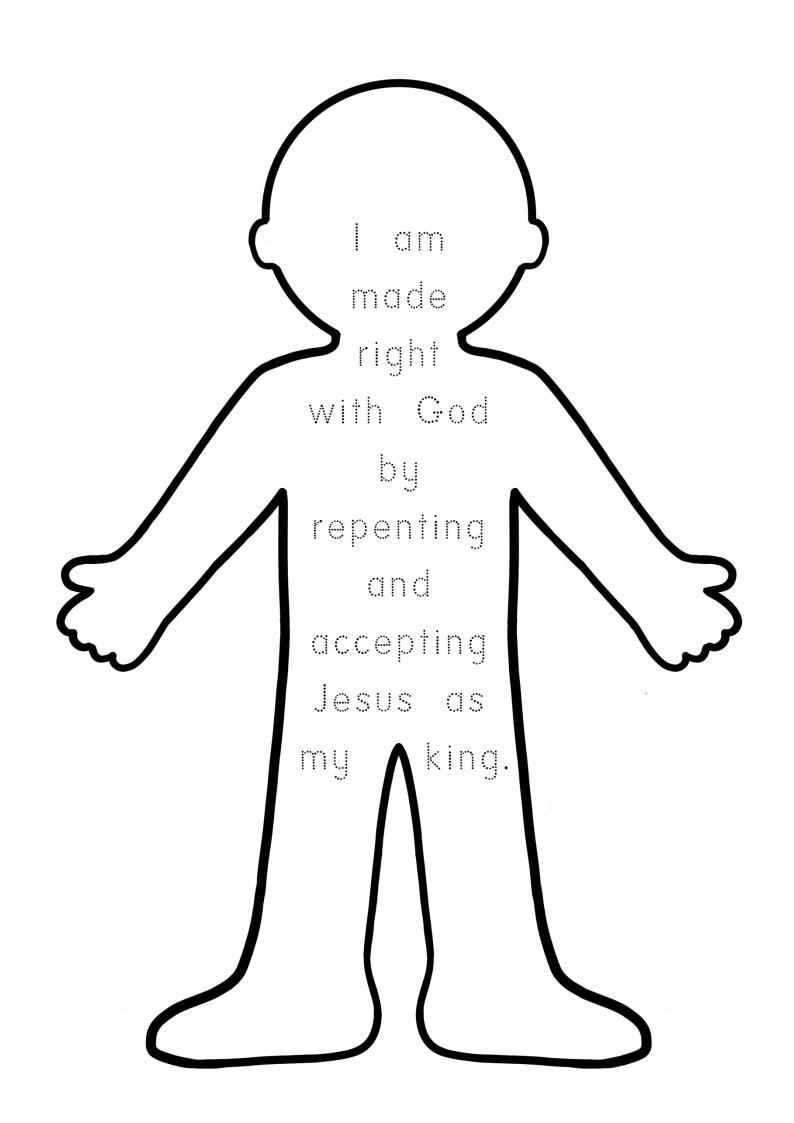
2. Paper Believers

You will need:

- Printout of the paper doll pattern
- Scissors
- Colouring pens/pencils/crayons
- Collage pieces
- Glue
- Blank paper

Instructions:

- 1. Printout paper doll chain.
- 2. Align the template along the left edge of a piece of blank paper. Secure the top and bottom sides of the template onto the paper using paper clips or masking tape.
- **3.** Using the template's width as a guide, fold your paper accordion-style (back and forth folding).
- **4.** Cut off any excess paper after last full fold is made.
- 5. Cut around person outline but not fully around the hand or foot otherwise the chain will break.
- 6. Decorate and make them into Peter, Paul and James and other church leaders.
- 7. Print out as many copies as you like and make lots of people who have accepted Jesus as their King.
- **8.** Draw a background that fits with the story maybe a city like Jerusalem or Antioch –and glue your paper chain people in the city.



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1. Knock 'em Down

You will need:

- 21 Paper cups (or 42 if you are able to have 2 teams)
- A printout of the 'Big Idea' "It's only by repenting and accepting Jesus as their king that people are made right with God"
- 4 small pieces of paper (use off cuts when you cut out words)
- Glue
- A small soft ball or toy to throw at paper cups

Instructions:

- 1. Print out the 'big idea' and cut out the individual words.
- **2.** Cut out 4 more pieces of paper similar size to the pieces that have words on them.
- 3. Glue paper with words and blank pieces into the inside of cups.
- 4. Stack cups like a pyramid starting with 6 along the bottom.
- **5.** Stand a distance from the cup stack and using the soft ball or toy, and throw the ball/toy at the cup stack.
- 6. Run and collect the cups that have fallen and start putting the big idea into order.
- 7. Repeat until all cups have been knocked over.
- 8. Put the big idea into order by reading the words on the inside of the cups.
- 9. Place blank cups to the side.

Either play this as a time trial – to see how fast you can knock over the cups and put the sentence together or play in 2 teams to see who can put the big idea together fastest.

2. Real or Unreal

You will need:

- Print out of statements below
- Open space (either indoor or outdoor) to run small distance (can be living room, hallway, back yard – somewhere where kids can run maybe 5m either way of the centre of the play area)

Instructions:

- 1. Point out 'play' area.
- 2. Have kids stand in the middle of the play area.
- 3. Point out the 'Real' end and the 'Unreal' end of the play area.

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- **4.** Once they have chosen their end, either say "yes, it's real" or "no it's unreal." If answer is unreal, get the kids to say what the 'real' answer is.
- 5. Bring kids back to middle of 'play' area and read next statement.

Statements:

- 1. Reg thought he was the only 'real' puppet. (real).
- 2. Miriam and Reg are looking at Acts chapter 15 (real).
- 3. Reg loves Baked beans and jelly (unreal he likes baked bean and ice-cream).
- **4.** Paul told the people in the church in Antioch about his favourite ice-cream flavour (unreal Paul told the people in Antioch what God had done, about the risen King Jesus).
- **5.** People are made right with God by repenting and accepting Jesus as their king AND eating ice-cream (unreal it's only by repenting and accepting Jesus).
- 6. Peter, Paul and James helped answer the confusing question (real).
- 7. The real answer is that only by repenting and accepting Jesus as their king are people made right with God (real).
- 8. The mission of the risen King Jesus cannot be stopped. (real).

