



SEPTEMBER THEME

Jesus is King of Kings and Lord of Lords

SEPTEMBER VERSE

We will be memorizing the following verse and have already learned the part **in bold**. This week, we will add the part that is **highlighted**.

“No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” - Romans 8:37-39

SEPTEMBER 29 - LIFE APPLICATION

Jesus has special plans for us - a new heaven and new earth!

NOTE TO PARENTS

Scripture: **Revelation 21:1-8**

In the **Book of Revelation**, John, the disciple loved by Jesus, is given words and visions of heaven, Jesus, and prophecies about the End of Times. Please read the scripture and listen to the sermon, in person or online, before discussing with your family.

REVIEW: Revelation 20

1. The Millennial Kingdom had just ended.
2. Satan and all of his demons had been thrown into the lake of sulfur and fire, which is hell.
3. And, we see that God begins creating a new heaven and earth. It's like he's starting over! God is eliminating all corruption and pollution and evil from this world. The first earth has faded away, and God is going to build a new one without any sin or suffering.

DISCUSS: Revelation 20:1-8

1. **In verse one, what does John see?** (*He sees a new heaven and new earth.*) **What had happened to the first earth?** (*The first earth had passed away.*) **What is said about the sea?** (*It is no more.*) This could mean that all salt water is gone and only fresh water will inhabit the new earth. It could also mean that sea waters that separate all the nations will no longer exist.
2. In **verse two**, God sends something down from heaven. **What is it?** (*God sends the holy city of Jerusalem down from heaven.*) **What does it say about the city?** (*It is "prepared as a bride adorned for her husband." It will be beautiful! It's our eternal home.*)
3. Read **verse three**. A loud voice comes down from heaven. **What does it say about God?** (*It tells us that He will come down from heaven and that His dwelling place will be with man. He will live with us and we will be His people forever and ever!*)
4. **In verse four, what will NOT be in heaven? List:**

- Tears - He will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 - Death shall be no more.
 - There will be no sadness or mourning.
 - There will be no pain.
 - And, then it is explained why: “For the former things have passed away.”
5. Read **verse five**. **Who is speaking to John from His throne?** (*Jesus!*) **What does He tell John?** (*“Behold, I am making all things new.”*) **What does He tell John to do?** (*He tells John to “write all of these things down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”*)
 6. **What does Jesus say next in verse six?** (*“It is done!”*) The remaking of the new heaven and new earth is now finished. **Do you remember another time when Jesus said this?** (*He said “It is finished” when He died on the cross for our sins.*)

Explain: “He had completed the work for the forgiveness of our sins on the cross. He also says that He is the Alpha and the Omega which means the beginning and the end. He is the one who began human history and He is now the one who is ending all human history.”

7. **What does Jesus promise to all who are thirsty?** (*He will give to them water from the spring of life - freely and without payment.*) Say to your family: “He will give us everything we need if we love Him and want Him with all of our hearts, and this water is free to us!”
8. Read **verse seven**. **Who are these promises for?** (*The person who conquers.*) **What do you think this means?** Discuss and wonder together. (*This is the person who has conquered, or overcome, all of life’s difficulties - the hard things in life.*) **What could these difficulties be?** (*Sickness, sadness, persecution because of our faith, etc.*) **What is their reward?** (*He will be our Father and we will be His sons and daughters!*)
9. **And what happens to those who deny Jesus, have never accepted Him as their Lord and Savior, and do not follow His ways?** (*They are committed to the lake of fire, which is the second death, their eternal separation from God in their resurrection bodies.*)

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR, DAVID CHADWICK:

It’s going to be a glorious world that God creates for us to live in with Him forever! It will be so amazing and beautiful, and something we all should look forward to! This should make all of us ask if we know Jesus personally - for this will be our eternal home. It should also motivate our desire to share Jesus with other people because we do not want them to experience the second death. We should want

them to live in the new Jerusalem with us!

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Discuss together what the new heaven and new earth will be like. Then, have each family member choose one of the following activities:

1. **Draw a picture of what you think the new heaven and new earth will look like.** It will be amazing and more wonderful than anything we can imagine! (Parents, have some special markers, crayons, or paint for your children to work with!)
2. **Write a poem or description of the new heaven and new earth.** What will it look like? Feel like? What amazing things will you do there?

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, We love You and thank You for letting us know what it will be like to live in the new heaven and new earth with You forever! Help us to serve You well while we are here on this earth, because we know You want everyone to know about You! In Your Name we pray, Amen.