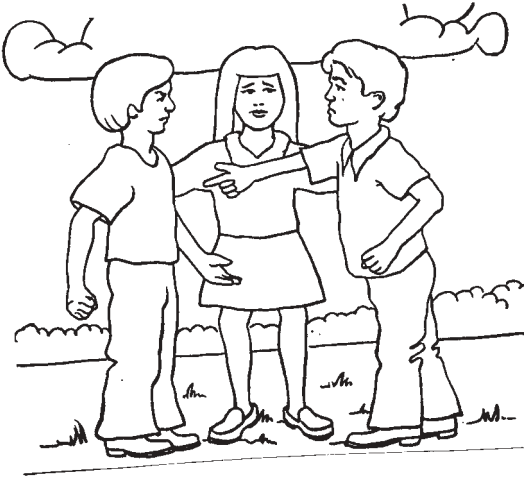


# The Mighty Conqueror

**He is a mighty conqueror  
Who rules his spirit well  
And slow to anger he is strong  
To storm the gates of hell  
As shields deflect sharp Arrows  
And the warrior's fiery darts  
Soft answers turn fierce wrath away  
Melt anger from the heart.**

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# “What time is it?”

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## Lesson 1 – “Time to Listen” Continued

The Life of Josiah – II Chronicles 34. His name means, “Whom Jehovah heals.”

Many years had passed (perhaps more than 500 years) since the time of Samuel, who we read about last time.

There had been good kings ruling over God’s people, and some ruled who were not so good.

The Lord allowed a young 8-year old boy to become king in Jerusalem. This young boy, Josiah, did what was right in the sight of the Lord. He kept in a straight path – II Chron. 34:1-2.

When he was 16 years old, he really began to seek after God. The first thing he did was to get rid of idols and things connected with them.

He had them broken down or cut down, even made dust of them. He also burned the bones of the idol-worshipping priests – II Chron. 34:3-7.

Then when he was 26 years old, he gave orders to repair the house of the Lord (the Temple) – II Chron. 34:8. The money which had been gathered was given to the workmen – Vs. 9-13.

What do you suppose Hilkiah, the priest, found in God's house (the Temple)? Vs. 14-2. It was the book of the law (the Scripture).

Josiah, the king, didn't know all the things God had said in His Word. When he did **hear**, he was humbled. He tore his clothes.

He had the priest and scribes ask the Lord what to do about what was in that book. He knew the fathers, really all the people had not kept what was written there.

They went to Huldah, the prophetess – V. 22. She said bad things would take place because they had worshipped idols.

They were, however, to tell the king that since his heart was tender and he had humbled himself when he **heard** the Word, God would not bring these things to pass while Josiah lived.

Then Josiah, the king, gathered all the people together and read what God's Word said – Vs.

29-30. He made a covenant before the Lord. All his days the nation served the Lord – V. 33.

They observed the Passover, which had not been kept for many years. This was done that same year, when Josiah had reigned 18 years – II Chron. 35:19. They kept it like it was supposed to be kept.

What made the big difference in the lives of Josiah and Samuel who we read about last time? It was that they **listened** to the Lord.

You can listen to Him, too. The way He speaks to us any time and all the time is through His Word, the Bible.

Is the Lord calling you? Is He even now standing at your heart's door? Do you hear Him? Just open the door and let Him come in.

He will satisfy your heart. He did this for Samuel and for Josiah. He will do it for you, too.

Let us learn to listen, really listen. Then we will do something about it, as these two young boys did. Did it pay for them to listen? Yes, it did.

It is never too soon to start listening to the Lord. When Jesus was here on earth, He wanted children to come to Him – Matthew 19:13-15. Have you come?



**King Josiah  
reads God's Word  
2 Kings 23:1-3  
2 Chronicles 34:29-32**



### **Questions**

**Fill in the blanks:**

1. Josiah, was \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ year old when he became king. II Chron. 34:1
2. He did what was \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ in the sight of the Lord. V. 2

3. Josiah, in the eighth year of his reign, began to  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ God.  
 V. 3
4. In the \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ year, he  
 destroyed idols and things that went along  
 with idol worship. V. 3
5. In the eighteenth year of his reign (he was  
 now 26 years old), he gave orders to  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ the house of the Lord.  
 V. 8
6. Hilkiah the priest found a \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ of the  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ in the temple. V. 15.
7. The scribe read it to the king. When he  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ the words, he rent (tore)  
 his clothes, for he knew none of them had  
 kept the words given by the Lord. V. 19
8. They went to Huldah the prophetess. She said  
 the Lord would bring \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ upon  
 Jerusalem, for the people had forsaken the  
 Lord and had worshipped idols. V. 24 & 25.
9. Evil wouldn't come in king Josiah's day  
 because his heart was \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
 And he did \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ himself  
 When he heard the word of God. Vs. 26 & 27

10. Then Josiah gathered together the elders, and others, and he \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ all the words in that book. V. 30. All of Josiah's days, the people stayed close to the Lord and served Him. V. 33

11. Josiah and the people even kept the \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_. This happened the same year the book was found. II Chron. 35:1,19



Christ cares about little people and what they do.

Mark 10:14

# Seek and Find

Find these words from  
the lesson in the puzzle below.

REPAIR

LAW

HUMBLE

BOOK

EVIL

RIGHT

PASSOVER

EIGHT

HEARD

READ

TENDER

HOUSE

H C

U U

W S

W P N

P H

M Q V

X H R E P A I R I G H T

W Z U X B X S H E A R D E L

K O M P V B S E I G H T V N

M L B K W V O E V B H P I N

S T L V L W V U Q B B S L K

U X E L P P E O D X S C A G

X V E N W M R W X Z P L S O

T Q P D D J I E I L O U Z E

B V C Q E B X J C M B B

F O Z D R R Z R J R R W

E O N W I N J E X D

O B K S U P R P X N

O I H O U S E O

U R E A D M Z V

L A W Q

# BREAKER-BREAKER!

## Psalms 77:12



Break the code using the kids' code books to reveal the Bible verse.

For example:


 B O Y

For example:


 G I R L

