

2B.8 KINGDOM OF GOD: RESOURCE SHEET 1

WHAT KIND OF KING WAS JESUS?

Here is a list of qualities some kings might exhibit. Which were Jesus' qualities?

A GOOD KING IS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Strong | <input type="checkbox"/> A great soldier | <input type="checkbox"/> Decisive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strongminded | <input type="checkbox"/> Wise | <input type="checkbox"/> Likely to be crucified |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Powerful | <input type="checkbox"/> A lawgiver | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard on his enemies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Generous | <input type="checkbox"/> Unselfish | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard on himself |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loving | <input type="checkbox"/> Fun | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayerful |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Always in charge | <input type="checkbox"/> Peaceful | <input type="checkbox"/> Forgiving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commanding | <input type="checkbox"/> A good team leader | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peaceful | <input type="checkbox"/> Authoritative | |

Write some agreed lists of characteristics: 'A good king is...' and 'Jesus was...'.
Compare them.

A GOOD KING IS:

JESUS WAS:

Did Jesus rewrite the rules for what makes a good king?

Find some Christian songs from the Christian community which speak of Jesus as a king.

What kind of king, and what kind of kingdom, these Christian songs present?