

Family Talk – *Symbols of Royalty*

READ TOGETHER

Matthew 27:27–31

It's hard to imagine ourselves in this passage, especially as one of the soldiers. Ask yourselves these questions. Would I:

- Make the crown of thorns?
- Put a reed in Jesus' right hand as a scepter to look tough in front of my friends?
- Drape my robe over Jesus to get a laugh?

Or would I have been an on-looking soldier, there as part of the regiment?

LIVE IT

How many of us say we love and trust Jesus, but we treat Him like the soldiers did with our decisions and words. Mocking Him, laughing at Him, and pretending He's our King.

Jesus gave His life to protect yours. When was the last time you defended your King?

LEAN ON GOD

Dear God,

As we read this passage, we see how easy it is to be guilty of mocking our Lord just like these soldiers. Help each of us be different this year, reflecting on who He is and what He did for us. Make us eager to kneel before You, always thankful to do what You want as sons and daughters of our King.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

