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"I put a New Testament among your books, for the very same reasons, and with the very same hopes that made me write an easy account of it for you, when you were a little child; because it is the best book that ever was or will be known in the world, and because it teaches you the best lessons by which any human creature who tries to be truthful and faithful to duty can possibly be guided."—Charles Dickens (to his son)

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" <sup>2</sup> And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them <sup>3</sup> and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 18:1-4 (ESV)

# We Should Surrender To Jesus As King Because He Is...

### 1. A KING.

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been <u>born to you</u>; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and <u>lying in a manger</u>." **Luke 2:10-12 (NIV)** 

<u>A child is born to us!</u> A son is given to us! And <u>he will be our ruler</u>. He will be called, "<u>Wonderful</u> <u>Counselor</u>," "<u>Mighty God</u>," "<u>Eternal Father</u>," "<u>Prince of Peace</u>." **Isaiah 9:6 (GNT)** 

Come to me, all of you who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> <u>Take my yoke</u> and put it on you, and <u>learn from me</u>, because I am gentle and humble in spirit; and you will find rest. **Matthew 11:28-29 (GNT)** 

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### 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ KING

For this reason he had to be made like them, <u>fully human</u> in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup> Because he himself suffered when <u>he was tempted</u>, he is able to help those who are being tempted. **Hebrews 2:17-18 (NIV)** 

Jesus understands every weakness of ours, because he was tempted in every way that we are. But he did not sin! <sup>16</sup> So whenever we are in need, we should come bravely before the throne of our merciful God. There we will be treated with undeserved kindness, and we will find help. **Hebrews 4:15-16 (CEV)** 

#### 3. A KING.

But I have a greater witness than John—my teachings and my miracles. The Father gave me these works to accomplish, and they prove that he sent me. John 5:36 (NLT)

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he <u>revealed his glory</u>; and his disciples believed in him. **John 2:11 (NIV)** 

Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. John 14:11 (NIV1984)

Which is easier: to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? <sup>10</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins..." He said to the paralytic, <sup>11</sup> 'I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." Mark 2:9-11 (NIV1984)

Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. **John 20:30-31 (NIV1984)** 

### 4. A KING.

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. **2 Corinthians 8:9 (NIV)** 

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 1 John 3:16 (NIV)

When Christ went through the tent and entered once and for all into the Most Holy Place, he did not take the blood of goats and bulls to offer as a sacrifice; rather, he took his own blood and obtained eternal salvation for us. **Hebrews 9:12 (GNT)** 

## 5. A KING.

"Death has been swallowed up in victory." <sup>55</sup> "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" <sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup> Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:54b-58 (NIV)

After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. Acts 1:3 (NIV)

### 6. A KING

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Luke 2:11 (NIV)

When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Luke 2:16 (NIV)

Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." <sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Come near to God and he will come near to you. **James 4:6b-7 (NIV)**