

Josiah, the Boy King Worksheet

Hard: look up the answers in your Bible • 2 Kings 22–23

Name: _____ Date: _____

Look it up in your Bible

Read the verse, then write the answer on the line.

1. How old was Josiah when he began to reign? *Read 2 Kings 22:1.* _____
2. How did Josiah walk? *Read 2 Kings 22:2.* _____
3. What did Hilkiah find? *Read 2 Kings 22:8.* _____
4. What did Josiah do when he heard the book? *Read 2 Kings 22:11.* _____
5. To whom did they go to enquire? *Read 2 Kings 22:14.* _____
6. Why did the LORD hear Josiah? *Read 2 Kings 22:19.* _____
7. What did the king read to all the people? *Read 2 Kings 23:2.* _____
8. What feast did the king tell them to keep? *Read 2 Kings 23:21.* _____

Memory verse

Write 1 Timothy 4:12 from memory. The first letter of each word is given.

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 t b , i w , i c , i c , i s ,
 i f , i p . 1 Timothy 4:12 (KJV)

Think about it

Josiah began to reign when he was eight, and he turned to the LORD with all his heart (2 Kings 22:1; 23:25). "Let no man despise thy youth" (1 Timothy 4:12). How can you be an example while you are young?



Answer key

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1. **Eight years old.** (*2 Kings 22:1*)
2. He **walked in all the way of David his father**, and turned not aside. (*2 Kings 22:2*)
3. **The book of the law** in the house of the LORD. (*2 Kings 22:8*)
4. He **rent his clothes.** (*2 Kings 22:11*)
5. **Huldah the prophetess.** (*2 Kings 22:14*)
6. "**Thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself.**" (*2 Kings 22:19*)
7. **All the words of the book of the covenant.** (*2 Kings 23:2*)
8. **The passover** unto the LORD their God. (*2 Kings 23:21*)

Memory verse

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." *1 Timothy 4:12 (KJV)*

Think about it

Answers will vary (read the Bible, pray, obey parents, be kind, tell the truth). Help kids see that God uses young people who love His Word, and that Josiah obeyed what he read. Encourage them to talk with their parents and pastor about obeying the gospel (Acts 2:38).

For the teacher

Time: about 20 minutes • **Ages:** grades 3–5

- **Bibles:** each child (or each pair) needs a King James Bible open to 2 Kings 22–23.
- **Old Bible words explained:** reign = rule as king, scribe = a man who read and wrote for the king, rent = tore, enquire = ask, prophetess = a woman who spoke God's word, tender = soft, humbled thyself = made yourself low, covenant = a promise, passover = the feast that remembers how God brought Israel out of Egypt, despise = look down on, conversation = the way you live, charity = love.
- **Talk about it:** When Josiah heard God's Word, he obeyed it and led all the people to keep it (2 Kings 23:2–3). Ask kids to share their "think about it" answers.
- **Teach the story first:** use the free Josiah, the Boy King Sunday school lesson at vbshq.com/lessons/josiah-lesson.

