Leader's Guide – Decrees

1. **What are 2 ways we can intercede, or pray for others? (We can pray as priests or as kings.)**
2. **What was a priest's role in the Old Testament? (A priest stood between the people and God. He saw the people's needs and prayed for them. When they sinned, he offered animal sacrifices for them.)**
3. **How do most people usually pray – as priests or as kings? Explain. (Most pray as priests. They see needs on the earth and pray for them. They pray from earth to heaven.)**
4. **The Bible calls us kings (see Revelation 1:6), and kings make decrees. What is a decree? (A decree is a command or an official order.)**
5. **Jesus taught his disciples to pray as priests in the Lord's Prayer. Give an example of this. ("Give us this day our daily bread." Or "Forgive us our debts." Or "Lead us not into temptation." Or, "Deliver us from evil.")**
6. **Jesus also taught them to pray as kings. What 2 decrees are found in the Lord's Prayer? (1.) Thy kingdom come! 2.) Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.)**
7. **When we say, "Thy kingdom come," what are we commanding? (We are commanding heaven's rule to come to the earth. We are asking God to change the earth so it looks like heaven.)**
8. **What are we commanding when we say, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."? (We are commanding darkness to leave and light to come.)**
9. **Give an example of how Jesus used kingly prayer in his ministry. (Jesus commanded a storm saying, "Be still!" He commanded a corpse to "Rise up and live!" He also gave orders to demons.)**
10. **What weapon did Jesus use to defeat Satan in Matthew 4? (Jesus used the *spoken* Word of God to defeat the devil.)**
11. **Give an example of a decree you could make with a Bible verse. ("I resist the devil, and he flees from me." James 4:7. OR "The Lord's message will spread rapidly and be honored at_____." 2 Thessalonians 3:1.)**
12. **Give an example of a decree you could make over your school or city that does *not* use a Bible verse. (Kids at my college are hungry for God! God's power and presence are coming to my city! Christians at my school are waking up! They are united!)**