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Philippians 2:3

***“Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others.
Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.”***

Did you know that kings and queens throughout history have had some magnificent ceremonies? A king might be raised up on a shield above the crowd, given an expensive crown and scepter with a robe that would set them apart from everyone else. Oh, and what about in 1838 when Queen Victoria was given the Imperial state crown which included 2,783 diamonds, 277 pearls, 17 sapphires, 11 emeralds and 5 rubies at her coronation? Imagine wearing that!

It’s fascinating that Jesus Christ is the King of all kings (Rev. 19:16), and yet never once did He accept this kind of glory when He lived on earth. He showed that He was building a different kind of kingdom—not one based on diamonds, money, attention or earthly success. Instead, a kingdom built on humility and serving others.

If you have become a Christian, you are His son or daughter...that makes you royalty! And it’s your responsibility to carry out your assignment on this earth in the same way He did—serving others. Last week, you learned that God gave you gifts to do good things. Look at this verse:

“Each of you has received a gift in order to serve others. You should use it faithfully.” 1 Peter 4:10b

Get the picture? You can use what God has given you to serve others instead of using it to draw attention to yourself. It is so tempting to try to impress your friends with your gifts and talents—in other words, to show off your crown—but after awhile, the crown will get heavy on your head, and you will want others to share it with you. The only way to do that will be to take it off of your head and pass it around. After all, that’s what Jesus did!

Discuss the following questions with your parent/s:

- 1. What are some ways that Jesus served others in the Bible?**
- 2. How can we serve our family and friends in the same way He did?**
- 3. What do I do when I serve others and they aren’t nice back?**

How could letter “D” compare? Tune in next week, if you DARE!