

DOWNLOADABLE GAME · YOUTH / SMALL GROUP



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Rename → Real Name

Soft names for self-rule — and the true King

Ages 13–18

10–20 min

Pairs with Who's on the Throne

HOW TO PLAY

1. Print pages 2–3. Cut on the dashed lines. Keep SOFT NAME and REAL NAME in two stacks.
2. Deal Soft Name cards face down. Flip one. Group guesses: What might God call this?
3. Reveal the matching Real Name card (same number). Read the verse aloud.
4. Talk 60 seconds: Where have we used this soft label this week?
5. Optional race mode: two teams — first to match all 12 pairs wins, then discuss the hardest pair.
6. Gospel close: Come down from your throne. Jesus is Lord — soft self-rule must bow to the true King.

Free for churches, homes & youth leaders

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Soft Name Cards

Print · cut on dashes · keep this stack face down

SOFT NAME · #01

"My life, my rules"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #02

"I'll believe my way"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #03

"Jesus as mascot"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #04

"I am enough"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #05

"Church is optional"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #06

"Feelings decide"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #07

"Career first"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #08

"Phone owns me"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #09

"I don't bow"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #10

"I'll change later"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #11

"God can co-pilot"

What might God call this?

SOFT NAME · #12

"Just whisper, maybe"

What might God call this?

Real Name Cards

Same numbers as Soft Name · reveal after the guess

REAL NAME · #01

Self on the throne

Romans 10:9

was: "My life, my rules"

REAL NAME · #02

Custom kingdom of dust

John 14:6

was: "I'll believe my way"

REAL NAME · #03

**Soft label for refusing
Lordship**

Luke 6:46

was: "Jesus as mascot"

REAL NAME · #04

Creator pushed off the seat

Genesis 3:5

was: "I am enough"

REAL NAME · #05

Self as high priest

Hebrews 10:25

was: "Church is optional"

REAL NAME · #06

Feelings on the throne

Jeremiah 17:9

was: "Feelings decide"

REAL NAME · #07

Ambition as king

Matthew 6:33

was: "Career first"

REAL NAME · #08

Pocket throne

1 Corinthians 6:12

was: "Phone owns me"

REAL NAME · #09

Soft rebellion

Philippians 2:9–11

was: "I don't bow"

REAL NAME · #10

Delayed surrender

2 Corinthians 6:2

was: "I'll change later"

REAL NAME · #11

Shared throne that isn't His

Isaiah 42:8

was: "God can co-pilot"

REAL NAME · #12

**Almost-faith without the
open door**

Romans 10:9–10

was: "Just whisper, maybe"

Leader Key + Gospel Close

Answer sheet · keep this page uncut

MATCH KEY

#01 "My life, my rules"

-> Self on the throne · Romans 10:9

#02 "I'll believe my way"

-> Custom kingdom of dust · John 14:6

#03 "Jesus as mascot"

-> Soft label for refusing Lordship · Luke 6:46

#04 "I am enough"

-> Creator pushed off the seat · Genesis 3:5

#05 "Church is optional"

-> Self as high priest · Hebrews 10:25

#06 "Feelings decide"

-> Feelings on the throne · Jeremiah 17:9

#07 "Career first"

-> Ambition as king · Matthew 6:33

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-> Pocket throne · 1 Corinthians 6:12

#09 "I don't bow"

-> Soft rebellion · Philippians 2:9–11

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-> Delayed surrender · 2 Corinthians 6:2

#11 "God can co-pilot"

-> Shared throne that isn't His · Isaiah 42:8

#12 "Just whisper, maybe"

-> Almost-faith without the open door · Romans 10:9–10

GOSPEL CLOSE (2-3 MIN)

- Self-rule loves soft names so the throne never changes hands.
- Come down: Jesus is Lord. Feelings, plans, and phones are not the King.
- Invite: Which card named you tonight? Tell God that real name.
- Pray: True King — call our soft rebellion by its name, and take Your seat again.
- Point to Song-to-Scripture: Who's on the Throne (listen + student sheet).