

ROOTED IN THE KINGDOM

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Questions for Small Group Discussions

Sermon: Feb 16, 2025 - The King's Arrival: All Are Invited!

Text: Matthew Chapters 1 & 2

1. Recognizing His Kingship

- How can we practically recognize and acknowledge Jesus as the King of our daily lives? In what areas of your life do you find it difficult to submit to His authority?

2. Responding to Him in Worship

- Worship is more than singing—it's a lifestyle. What are some ways we can respond to Jesus in worship beyond Sunday services? How do you personally make Jesus the focus of your day-to-day life?

3. Reflecting His Mission

- Jesus came for all nations, and He calls us to continue His mission. How can we, as individuals and as a small group, reflect His mission in our community or workplace? What are some practical ways we can share the gospel or show God's love to those around us?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 2

Sermon: Feb 23, 2025 - Kingdom Manifestation: The King's Herald

Text: Matthew Chapter 3:1-12

1. John the Baptist's message was centered on repentance (Matthew 3:2). Why do you think repentance is the first step in preparing for God's Kingdom? How does true repentance impact our daily lives?
2. John warns the Pharisees and Sadducees that true faith must produce fruit (Matthew 3:8). What does it mean to "bear fruit in keeping with repentance"? Share about a time when repentance led to a visible change in your life?
3. John contrasts his baptism with the coming baptism of Jesus "with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11). What do you think this means, and how does Jesus' baptism transform our spiritual journey?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 3

Mar 2, 2025 – The Kingdom Tested: Jesus Overcomes the Enemy

Text: Matthew Chapter 4:1-11

1. Jesus chose obedience to God over immediate satisfaction, power, and recognition—what are some areas in your life where you struggle with these same temptations, and how can you overcome them?
2. What does Jesus' victory over temptation reveal about the power of God's Word, and how can you use Scripture to stand firm in your own spiritual battles?
3. What does this passage teach you about the difference between testing from God and temptation from the enemy?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 4

Sermon - Mar 9 – The Kingdom Lifestyle: Sermon on the Mount

Text: Matthew Chapters 5-7

1. Which part of the Sermon on the Mount challenges you the most—character (Beatitudes), influence (Salt & Light), righteousness (heart transformation), or trust (seeking God first)? **Why?**
2. Jesus calls us to live with Kingdom righteousness, which goes beyond external behavior to heart transformation (Matthew 5:21-48). In what area of your life is God calling you to deeper obedience and transformation?
3. Jesus said, "Seek first the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 6:33). What practical steps can you take this week to put God's Kingdom first in your daily decisions, relationships, and priorities?
4. In Matt 5:17 Jesus says let your good deeds to be seen by men so that they can praise God. In Chapter 6:3, 6 & 18 Jesus says generosity, prayer and fasting be done in secret. How do you reconcile these two verses?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 5

Sermon - Mar 16 – The Kingdom Authority: Signs and Wonders

Text: Matthew Chapters 8-9

1. What do Jesus' miracles in Matthew 8-9 reveal about His authority over sickness, nature, and spiritual forces? How does this encourage your faith today?
2. Throughout Matthew 9, Jesus heals physical sickness, casts out demons, and forgives sins. Why do you think forgiveness is central to Jesus' mission, and how does this shape our understanding of true healing?
3. In Matthew 8:23-27, Jesus calms the storm, and His disciples marvel, asking, "What kind of man is this?" How does this moment reveal Jesus' authority over creation, and how does it apply to the storms in our own lives?
4. At the end of Matthew 9, Jesus looks at the crowds with compassion and says, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." How do signs and wonders in the Kingdom relate to the mission of sharing the Gospel? How can we participate in this mission today?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 6

Sermon - Mar 23 – The Kingdom Mission: Sending Disciples

Text: Matthew Chapter 10

1. Jesus took a bunch of very ordinary people and sent them out to do extraordinary things for the Kingdom. What are the ways He is calling us to be in the same mission today? What are some of our excuses and fears? How can we overcome that?
2. What does Jesus' instruction to go out without extra provisions (Matthew 10:9-10) teach us about trusting God in mission? How can we apply this principle in modern-day discipleship?
3. Jesus warned His disciples about persecution (Matthew 10:16-25). What are some ways we face opposition when sharing the gospel today, and how can we respond with faith and courage?
4. In Matthew 10:32-39, Jesus speaks about the cost of following Him. What are some practical ways we can put Christ above everything else in our lives, even when it's difficult?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 7

Sermon - Mar 30 – The Kingdom Parables: Secrets of the Kingdom

Text: Matthew Chapter 13

1. In the Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23), which type of soil best describes your current spiritual condition? What steps can you take to cultivate a heart that receives and bears fruit from God's Word?
2. The Parable of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast (Matthew 13:31-33) speaks of the Kingdom's small beginnings but great impact. How have you seen God's Kingdom grow in your life, church, or community?
3. The Parable of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl (Matthew 13:44-46) talks about the value of the Kingdom of God. What are some things that people today often value more than the Kingdom? How can we refocus our priorities?
4. The Parable of the Net (Matthew 13:47-50) emphasizes final judgment and the separation of the righteous from the wicked. How should this truth shape the way we live daily and share the Gospel with others?

Questions for Small Group Discussions – Week 8

Sermon – Apr 6– The Kingdom Humility: Becoming Like A Child

Text: Matthew Chapters 18-20

1. Jesus said the greatest in the Kingdom is like a child. What qualities of children (like trust, dependence, lowliness, or teachability) reflect true humility in our walk with God?
2. In the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant (Matt 18:21–35), what does Jesus teach us about the connection between receiving forgiveness and giving it to others?
3. How does Jesus redefine greatness in Matthew 20:26–28, and what are some real-life ways we can model servanthood in our families, churches, or workplaces?
4. Which of the three—humility, forgiveness, or servanthood—do you find most challenging, and why? How is God inviting you to grow in that area this season?