

Worship Guide for January 14, 2024

Sermon Notes

The Victories of God's Anointed King

2 Samuel 8 & 10 "And the Lord gave victory to David wherever he went."

The King and His Kingdom Established

And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more..... 2 Samuel 7:9–10

The King and His Kingdom Opposed (2 Samuel 8:1-6)

The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us." Psalm 2:2–3

The King and His Kingdom Enriched and Honored (2 Samuel 8:7-14)

And Joram brought with him articles of silver, of gold, and of bronze. These also King David dedicated to the LORD, together with the silver and gold that he dedicated from all the nations he subdued....And David made a name for himself. 2 Samuel 8:10–11, 13

The King and His Kindness Rejected (2 Samuel 10:1-5)

But the princes of the Ammonites said to Hanun their lord, "Do you think, because David has sent comforters to you, that he is honoring your father? Has not David sent his servants to you to search the city and to spy it out and to overthrow it?" So Hanun took David's servants and shaved off half the beard of each and cut off their garments in the middle, at their hips, and sent them away. 2 Samuel 10:3–4

The King and His Kingdom Feared (2 Samuel 10:6-19)

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Psalm 2:8–9,12

King David and Victories Point Us to King Jesus and Victory

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:56–57

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. Colossians 2:13–15

Life Group Preparation Guide

"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you(all) richly teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom..." - Colossians 3/6a

Focus #I: GOD

- / What does this passage reveal about the character or nature of God?
- $\mathcal{2}$ What does this passage reveal about God's eternal plans and purposes?
- ${\mathcal S}$ What does this passage reveal about how God interacts with his creation?

Focus #2 : ME -

- 5. In what ways does this passage help us to see how we need to be aligned with God's will?
- 6. What is one tangible and measurable way that the Spirit is leading me to respond to his Word?

Focus #3: OTHERS

- \mathcal{P} . What is one truth that I can share meaningfully with someone, and with whom?
- & How can I specifically encourage someone or everyone in my Life Group from this passage?

Three contributions (reflections, questions, observations, etc.) I plan to include in our next Life Group discussion:

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JANUARY

14 CentriKid Parent Into Meeting @ 12pm 22 GriefShare Begins @ 6:30pm 25 Red Cross Blood Drive 10:30am-3pm 28 PreK/Children's SS Leader's Luncheon

FEBRUARY

3 Cake & Coffee Gathering @ 10am 10 Sportsman's Banquet @ 6:30pm 17-19 Student Ministry Winter Retreat

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