CHOOSING TO FOLLOW

Wrapped Up – *Part 3*

ON TV: Is Jesus **MY King**?

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ON TV: Why should I let Him be my King?

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ON TV: Why is He worth following? Why is He worth surrendering to?

ON TV: Jesus is worth following.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. 3 And everyone went to his own town to register." Luke 2:1,3

ON TV/OUTLINE: "8 And there were **shepherds** living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 The angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you **good news** that will cause **great joy** for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David, a **Savior** has been born to you; He is the **Messiah**, the **Lord**. 12 This will be a sign to you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2:8-12

ON TV: He was born to be a King that we should **follow**.

ON TV: To submit and participate in His Kingdom or settle for the emptiness of religion.

ON TV: What did these shepherds know about this King? What did they know about the Messiah? What did "*Messiah*" even mean to them?

ON TV/OUTLINE: "For to us, a child is born, to us a son is given. And the government will be on His shoulders, and He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

ON TV: Wonderful Counselor

ON TV: We can't claim to love God yet fail to love our neighbor. Belief is only a part of the equation; we've got to actually participate. We have to actually put our faith to work and be a part of the Kingdom that He came to build.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "I am the way. I am the truth, and I am the life. And no one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

ON TV: Mighty God

ON TV: Everlasting Father

ON TV: He came to offer us a relationship with Him.

ON TV: Prince of Peace

ON TV: The barometer of the amount of peace that we are able to live with, in our relationship with God is directly proportional to the amount of peace that we live with towards other people.

ON TV: In religion we are just people who believe in something, rather than people who choose to participate in something.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "If anyone boasts, 'I love God,' and goes right on hating his brother or sister, thinking nothing of it, he is a liar. If he won't love the person he can see, how can he love the God he can't see? 21 The command we have from Christ is blunt: Loving God includes loving people. You've got to love both."

1 John 4:20-21

ON TV/OUTLINE: "If someone claims, 'I know God,' but doesn't obey God's commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth." I John 2:4

ON TV: The King is...

- A Wonderful Counselor who guides His people
- A Mighty God who strengthens His people
- An Everlasting Father who loves His people
- A Prince of Peace who saves His people.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "In the town of David, a savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

ON TV: At Christmas we celebrate the miraculous reality that the King of Kings has made himself available, accessible, and approachable.

ON TV: "...A Savior born to YOU."

ON TV/OUTLINE: "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

ON TV/OUTLINE: "16 From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. 17 For the law was given though Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." John 1:16-17

ON TV: Christ is a title. It means God's anointed, the Final King.

ON TV: What will be your response?

ON TV: Is Jesus your King?