

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Matthew 21-23: Clash of Kingdoms - Confronting Power, Pride, and Empty Worship

Sermon: Matthew 22:23-33

Date: Sunday, July 19, 2026

1. *Read Matthew 22:23-28.* The Sadducees were "supernatural skeptics" who rejected the resurrection and angels. In our modern "information age," what are the common skepticisms people hold today that prevent them from seeing the power of God?
2. What are some ways we can approach the Bible with our own presuppositions and ideas? What are steps we can take to allow the Bible to speak into our lives, rather than trying to impose our own ideas on the Bible?
3. How can our assumptions keep us from seeing God's truth?

4. *Read Matthew 22:29-33.* Jesus' response to their question is that they "know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God." Why do these two things go together? How can an incomplete view of Scripture lead to an incomplete view of God?
5. Pastor Ricky gave 3 principles to keep in mind when seeking to reach people around us.
- Listen before you speak.
 - Learn the language of your neighbors.
 - Don't expect everyone to start where you start.

Which one of these might be the most challenging? Why?

6. Think about someone in your life who doesn't know Christ. What might it look like to "meet them where they are" in a gospel-centered way?
7. Jesus challenged the Sadducee's view of eternity. How have Jesus' words challenged your view of eternity?