SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

God Our Sovereign King (Adonai) With Phil Harwood August 4, 2019

• Adonai – "God our Sovereign King; Lord; or, my Master"

2 Samuel 7:18-26 (NLT) Then King David went in and sat before the Lord and prayed, "Who am I, O Sovereign Lord, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far? ¹⁹ And now, Sovereign Lord, in addition to everything else, you speak of giving your servant a lasting dynasty! Do you deal with everyone this way, O Sovereign Lord? ²⁰ "What more can I say to you? You know what your servant is really like, Sovereign Lord. ²¹ Because of your promise and according to your will, you have done all these great things and have made them known to your servant.

²² "How great you are, O Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you. We have never even heard of another God like you! ²³ What other nation on earth is like your people Israel? What other nation, O God, have you redeemed from slavery to be your own people? You made a great name for yourself when you redeemed your people from Egypt. You performed awesome miracles and drove out the nations and gods that stood in their way. ²⁴ You made Israel your very own people forever, and you, O Lord, became their God.

²⁵ "And now, O Lord God, I am your servant; do as you have promised concerning me and my family. Confirm it as a promise that will last forever.²⁶ And may your name be honoured forever so that everyone will say, 'The Lord of Heaven's Armies is God over Israel!' And may the house of your servant David continue before you forever.

• Ancient understanding of kingship = complete claim over everything.

Romans 6

• Our good master gave up everything for our sake.

Big Idea: Because God is our <u>Sovereign King</u>, we can <u>submit</u> every part of our lives to His loving leadership.

Action Steps:

- <u>Surrender</u> to the Sovereign King.
- Get to know our Sovereign King better.
- Engage with others as living examples of a life under the Kingship of Jesus.

Sequoia's Vision: to see thousands of people live out the Kingdom of Jesus together, wherever we live, work, play, and go.

Prayer: Lord forgive me for the times that I have only paid lip service to your lordship in my life. I have prayed one thing and done another. Help me as of this moment to experience the joy of serving you, living with the knowledge that you are Adonai, my Lord, my master, my King, and my God. Amen





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• How have we lived on mission where we live, work, play, or went this past week? Who do we know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus?

2) How did the message resonate with you? What questions or comments did it raise for you?

3) Read 2 Samuel 7:18-26 – What does David's reaction to God's promise show us about his understanding of God as Master (Adonai)?

4) What do you think it means to see God as your Master, or your Sovereign King? Do you find it comforting? Uncomfortable? Scary? Encouraging?

5) Read Romans 6 - what does this chapter make you think and feel?

6) If God has total claim over every aspect of our life, what does that mean for how we live day-to-day? How should it impact:

- How you use your time & energy?
- Your relationships?
- Your finances?
- Your sexuality?
- Your role at work or school?
- 7) How does regular time reading the Bible and in prayer help us in submitting to Jesus?
- 8) Take time to prayerfully reflect on your relationship with God Adonai. Is your whole life surrendered to His loving leadership, or are there parts of your life where you are holding back?
- 9) What steps can you take as an Impact Community and how can you help one another submit to King Jesus?



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