

PREPARE THE WAY // LUKE 3:1-14

- 1. From time to time, it's necessary that we examine our souls to see if they are indeed "prepared" for the presence of the Lord. How should one go about this?
- 2. John the Baptist was a unique character. Who are some people in your life that play the part of John the Baptist? How do they help you examine your soul so that its prepared for the coming of the Lord?
- 3. Luke 3:4-6 describes what people did to prepare for the coming of a King. Do people typically think of Jesus as a king? Why or why not? How might thinking of Jesus in this way help us "Begin Again?" (Get a fresh start in our walk with the Lord)
- 4. Pastor Wes mentioned four things that we can do to treat Jesus as King: rely, obey, relax and expect. Which of these stands out the most and why?
- 5. When it comes to *relying* on Jesus as king, the discussion mostly revolved around "repentance." What is a biblical view of repentance? What are your thoughts on it?
- 6. What are some things we can point to for proof that our hearts have or have not actually repented? How have you seen this play out in your own life?
- 7. What about obedience? Does the imagery of Jesus as King shape your view of what obedience looks like in the Christian life? How so?
- 8. When it comes to relaxing in what Christ has accomplished for you, what do you struggle with most and why? How can you tell whether or not you're "relaxing" in the King?
- 9. What about expecting great things from the King? When's the last time you asked the Lord for something amazing? What keeps you from doing so?
- 10. Share with the group some things you need the Lord to do in your life. Spend time praying that he might bring them about. Pray your souls are prepared for the coming of the King.