

- 2. _____ about the Kingdom of Heaven
- 3. Demonstrated through His miracles what the coming of the Kingdom will mean for people
- 4. Opened the _____ for the Kingdom of Heaven to come to us

our life or in the world and get discouraged. But Jesus told us that the Kingdom of Heaven has come to us. Though it is small and its growth is hidden, it will have an amazing positive impact in the end. So, we keep our eyes on Jesus and live with confident hope.

Intro: The underdog St. Louis Blues

- B. Keep your eyes on Jesus & everything will turn out alright in the end
- C. Application: How does this message apply to your life?

- A. In last place in the NHL on January 3
- B. The Turnaround
- C. The Turning Point
- D. Stanley Cup Champions

i. Betting on the Favorite

- A. We don't tend to bet on the _____
 - 1. When the _____ need is very high
 - 2. Illustration: We tend to choose a proven treatment regime when dealing with a serious personal need
- B. The high personal needs of 2,000 years ago
 - 1. _____ to
 - a. Drought
 - b. Disease

b. Joy

c. Peace

d. Justice

e. Restoration

C. Choosing what was _____ in the past: power

& might

1. The _____, best-equipped, most well-trained army

2. The _____

3. God's powerful actions in the past

a. The Ten Plagues in Egypt

b. The Parting of the Red Sea

c. David's defeat of Goliath

d. It was understandable for people to think that God

would establish His Kingdom with

_____ & power

1. Starts out _____

2. Is _____

3. Grows _____

4. Grows inevitably

5. Will have an _____ impact in the

III. The Kingdom of Heaven in our lives

A. The Need

1. There is something wrong in the _____

2. There is something wrong in _____

3. Circumstances turn _____ us

4. It is easy for us to become discouraged

B. The Kingdom of Heaven in our life

1. Starts out small – Baptism

2. God's Word works in our life, but it is

3. We die

4. New heaven and earth

C. Remember how the Kingdom of Heaven works &

confident