Weekend Message Questions
The Kingdom, Week 4: The Kingdom in Everyday Life
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CHECK-IN: What's one person in your life who has made a lasting impact on you because of the way they treated you? What made their actions so memorable?

READ: Matthew 5:17–20
DISCUSS:

- Jesus came not to abolish the Law but to fulfill it. What does this reveal about who Jesus is and what He came to do?
- Jesus fulfilled the righteousness we could never reach on our own. How does receiving His grace change the way you approach your relationship with God and the way you live each day?

READ: Matthew 5:21–37
DISCUSS:

- Jesus moves beyond outward behavior and addresses the condition of our hearts. Which part of this passage challenges you most: anger, forgiveness, purity, reconciliation, or honesty? Why?
- Jesus says to pursue reconciliation before bringing your gift to the altar. Is there a relationship where you need to take responsibility, extend forgiveness, or make things right?

READ: Matthew 5:38–48
DISCUSS:

- Jesus calls us to respond differently than the world by choosing grace over retaliation and loving even our enemies. Which of His instructions is hardest for you to put into practice? Why?
- What might going the second mile look like in a difficult relationship, at work, in your family, or in your community? How can praying for someone who has hurt you change your heart toward them?

READ: 1 John 4:20–21
DISCUSS:

- The message says, “The way we treat people reveals the King we follow.” If someone looked at your relationships and interactions this week, what might they learn about Jesus?
- Is there someone you're holding something against or someone God is asking you to love differently? What is one step you could take toward forgiveness or reconciliation?

APPLY:

- This week, read Matthew 5:17–48 each day before checking your phone. Begin by thanking Jesus for the grace He has given you and asking Him to shape your heart.
- Identify one person you're struggling to love, forgive, or reconcile with. Pray for that person by name each day and take one practical step toward reconciliation.
- When people look at your life this week, what's one way you want them to see a clearer picture of Jesus?

PRAYER TIME: Share prayer requests related to your heart, relationships, forgiveness, or spiritual growth. Pray that each person would receive God's grace, surrender bitterness and resentment, and have the courage to go the second mile. Ask God to help your group reflect the character of Jesus through the way you love, forgive, serve, and treat others.

Need prayer outside of the group? Submit a request here