



Week 3- “The Battle Of Our Kingdoms”

In this series we are exploring the life and faith of David, the ancient King of Israel. We hope to discover through this series that Christianity isn't an ethereal idea but applies to our real lives, decisions, and problems. In this week's message we explore the Kingdom reality and how we can navigate the tension of living our lives in God's Kingdom.

1. What stood out to you from the message?

Read 1 Samuel 8:1-22

2. Are you able to recognize when you are looking toward someone or something else for life, value, hope? If so, what does that look like in your life?

3. God knew that living in your own Kingdom would never give you what you need, instead it will only take from you. In what ways have you experienced the cost that comes from striving to build your own Kingdom?

4. God never forces you to live in His Kingdom, instead He invites you to find life, hope, value, peace, pardon, and grace you need in His Kingdom. What does this say about His heart for you?

Read 1 Samuel 18:22-23 and Matthew 5:3

5. In this scripture David gives the key to living life in God's kingdom. How can knowing the poverty of your soul help you find freedom in God's Kingdom?

6. What do you think it practically looks like to evaluate whether you are living in your Kingdom or God's?

David knew that he was poor in spirit. He knew he didn't have enough and couldn't be enough. David, in his poverty of Spirit, learned to depend on God for everything he needed. As we navigate the battle of our kingdoms we can learn from David and continuously acknowledge our souls' poverty and look to God for everything we need.