

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1

Get-to-know-me

If you had to summarize everything Jesus said into 1 sentence OR select 1 saying that captured the essence of everything Jesus taught, what would that be?

What do you think motivates humans to create alternative kingdoms instead of being a part of God's kingdom?

QUESTION 2

Into-the-Bible

Read Psalm 8

What can we learn about humanity's role in the world from this Psalm?

QUESTION 3

Take-it-home

Pastor Nathan shared this quote from N.T. Wright,

“Jesus rescues human beings in order that through them, He may rule His world in the new way He always intended. This, then, is how Jesus puts His kingdom achievement into operation: through the humans He has rescued. That is why, right at the start of His public career, He called associates to share His work and then to carry it on after He had laid the foundations, particularly in His saving death. It has been all too easy for us to suppose if Jesus really were King of this world, He would do the whole thing all by Himself. But that was never His way — because it was never God's way. It wasn't how creation itself was supposed to work. And Jesus' Kingdom project is nothing if not the rescue and renewal of God's creation project. In God's Kingdom, humans get to reflect God at last into the world, in the way they were meant to. They become more fully what humans were meant to be. That is how God becomes King.”

What stands out to you in the quote? How does this reality impact how we're meant to live?