



Sermon Discussion Guide for I AM Worship Church

Living Under the Kingdom

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We hope this material will continue to minister as the sermon was preached during our weekly worship service. When we receive God's Word at church, we need not only to hear the message, but we ought to walk it out in our daily lives. We should "be doers of the word, not only hearers." (James 1:22)

Step 1: GET TOGETHER with your family or group.

Step 2: REVIEW the key points and scriptures from the message.

Step 3: SHARE with your group what God is saying to you through the message.

Step 4: PRAY together, for each other and over each other to continue to walk this word out.

The Big Idea

God created us to reflect His glory, walking in authority and influence under His Kingdom. Through Jesus, what was lost in the fall has been restored, and we're called not just to admire the crown of glory but to wear it every day. Living under the Kingdom means surrendering to God's rule, seeking His will above all, and allowing His systems of righteousness, love, and power to shape how we live. The crown is only meaningful when used to reflect His glory and advance His Kingdom on earth.

Don't Miss This Point!

Read Matthew 4:17. The Kingdom of God is not a distant hope but a present reality that demands our participation. The Kingdom is at hand means the Kingdom is breaking in right now, calling for a change in leadership in our lives—from self and sin to Christ's authority. To repent is not just to turn from sin but to turn toward God's rule, aligning our lives with His systems and purposes.

Another Great Point!

Read Matthew 11:12. The Kingdom requires forceful faith and bold action. Jesus said that "*the violent take it by force.*" This reveals that living under God's Kingdom is not passive. It takes courage, determination, and a willingness to break away from worldly patterns. Faith is not just belief—it is action that boldly steps into the authority and promises God has already given us.

One Last Point!

Read Matthew 6:33. The Kingdom is revealed to those who seek it above all else. God's Kingdom does not chase the casual believer; it responds to the hungry heart that pursues Him diligently. When we make seeking God's Kingdom our first priority, He supplies what we need, and His influence is multiplied in our lives and in the world around us.

Let's Be Doers!

Living under the Kingdom is more than Sunday worship—it is a lifestyle of faith, prayer, forgiveness, and bold action. It means carrying the influence of God's rule into our homes, workplaces, schools, and communities. This week, don't just admire the crown of glory—wear it. Choose to forgive someone, step out in bold prayer, and align your decisions with God's will. Seek His Kingdom first, and let His glory shine through your life so others experience His love and authority through you.