

Jesus the True King
(Jesus the True Hero – Part 2)

The Passage: **Matthew 2:1-6**

Two Key Features of Absolute Monarchs
_____ and _____

We want a King! (1 Samuel 8:20)

In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes” -Judges 21:25

The standard for your new king (**Deuteronomy 17:14-20**)

- 1) The king must be _____ by God (*Deut. 17:14-15*).
- 2) The king must belong to God’s _____. (*Deut. 17:15*).
- 3) The king must exercise _____. (*Deut. 17:16*)
- 4) The king must be _____. (*Deut. 17:17*)
- 5) The king must be ready for _____. (*Deut. 17:17*)
- 6) The king must know the _____. (*Deut. 17:18-19*)
- 7) The king must be an example of _____. (*Deut. 17:20*)

Messianic King is Coming

His Kingdom is _____ (John 18:33-38)

His Kingdom is _____ and _____. (*Revelations 19*)

Is Jesus King of your Life?

Fill-ins: *Hereditary Rule; Divine Right of Kings; anointed; people; faith; loyal, sacrifice; Scriptures; obedience; Spiritual; Eternal and Sovereign*

Questions for Life Groups

When you think of kings or queens, what are your first thoughts?

If you were King of a nation, what are things you would enforce or change?

When we say Jesus is King, what does that mean to you?

We are not made to be following our hearts, or letting our conscience be our guide. Our lives are to be directed to our king (Jesus Christ) and His Word. We are to deny ourselves as Jesus Christ commanded.

What does denial of self and following Jesus look like in our daily life?

- It means we fight against the sins which ensnare us, because we want to conform to the image of our king. (Can you give an example in your life?)
- It means we don’t buy in to the world’s definition of success, because we live to make an impact for God’s kingdom. (Can you give an example in your life?)
- It means we care for others to the point of self-sacrifice, because we recognize that all those around us are also eternal souls. (Can you give an example in your life?)
- It means using our time and resources on things that have lasting value, that strengthen our faith and point others to Jesus. (Can you give an example in your life?)
- Ask yourself: is He ruling over my life, or am I still trying to rule my own life? Does Jesus have everything in my life at His disposal, or am I still holding on to some things and refusing to surrender every part of my life to Him?'