

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

YOUR KINGDOM COME

In Cape Town as it is in Heaven

SERIES BIG IDEA:

Jesus taught us to pray the words “your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” This eternal kingdom has great realities for us in our next life as well as the right here, right now. Our kingdom series is going to unpack the exciting truth and implications for the reality of the already and not-yet dynamics of God’s kingdom as it advances and moves to bring restoration, truth, justice and hope to a broken world.

Week 3

GOALS

- Deepen our understanding of what Jesus meant when he spoke about his Kingdom
- Grow in relationship with each other
- Grow in our confidence in God and the gospel and evangelism

TIPS

- This series is theological, it is preferable to have listened to the Sunday messages, especially the person leading the Life Group discussion.
- Life Group Leaders, we suggest doing a little more reading of Matthew 13 commentary over this series to equip yourself for leading well. It is our hope that over these series, our leaders are going deeper in Scripture to be able to lead out of a richer depth of pursuit and understanding of God and his word. Some good commentaries to consider reading over this time:
- <https://www.biblestudytools.com/commentaries/matthew-henry-complete/matthew/13.html>
- https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/guzik_david/StudyGuide2017-Mat/Mat-13.cfm

HEADLINES

The Kingdom comes...

1. as Jesus directs it.
2. in the Spirit's power.
3. in Gospel proclamation.
4. in life-changing power.
5. in Christian prayer and ministry.
6. in waves.
7. in collision.
8. in the Last Days.

PRAYER

Lord Three-in-One, help us to be open to you this evening and to grow in friendship with each other. Please, be with us this evening as we learn more about you. Amen.

DISCUSSION

1. Did anything stand out for you in Sunday's talk that you hadn't considered before or was a surprise? Were there any take-home applications from Sunday, or any questions you had?
2. What has been one of your best/worst moments of sharing your faith? (Life Group Leaders, think war stories and successes)
3. Read the following scriptures: Matthew 13:31-32, Mark 4:30-34, Luke 13:18-19
4. What do you think Jesus is teaching about the Kingdom here?
5. Read Acts 5:33-39
6. Already we see the mustard seed of the gospel has grown in the early church. How should it impact on our faith to look around and see how God has grown his kingdom over the centuries?
7. What does it say about our own part to play in God's kingdom right here, right now?
8. Would anyone like prayer for more boldness and opportunities to share their faith more openly?

PRAY

Spend some time praying for each other. Let's pray and trust for enriched lives of faith and evangelism in the weeks to come.