LIVE THE STORY

The Gospel is intended to be learned and lived in community.

The following questions are designed for use in our Community Groups as an aid to growth in the Gospel and Community.

Orthodoxy (Right Thinking)

- ➤ Why is "Christ" a claim and not a name?
- ➤ What is the gospel? What is the purpose of the gospel?
- Why did God send us a King?
- Why is King Jesus like no other king?
- What does allegiance to King Jesus mean for us?

Orthocardia (Right Heart)

- Who/what is your hope in right now? What tempts you to hope in other things than Jesus the King?
- ➤ How does Jesus' life and call challenge you? How does it encourage you?
- ➤ How do you feel about Jesus' call to allegiance and honoring Him through your life? In what ways does Jesus' kingship and call to allegiance encourage you even when you may not always feel close to God?

Orthopraxy (Right Action)

- Can you articulate the gospel? Can you articulate the purpose of the gospel? Consider practicing how to verbally share the hope, humility, and honor of King Jesus with others.
- ➤ How can Jesus' kingship and your role as an image bearer be put into practice where you work, live, and play?

Proclaiming the King

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Text: 1 Corinthians 2:1-2

Introduction (1 Corinthians 2:1)

A different type of wisdom...

What is the gospel?

What is the purpose of the gospel?

I. The Hope of a King (1 Corinthians 2:2a)

"Christ"...A claim not a name.

The Corinthians needed to hear about Jesus the King who rules over this world, their community, and each of them. This truth is also one that must take root in our minds and hearts...they needed their lives and all their hopes centered around a King and so do we.

Isaiah 9:6-7

Jeremiah 23:5-6

Isaiah 55:11

God's promises never fail.

There was hope for a good and marvelous KING, a KING like no other.

II. The Humility of the King (1 Corinthians 2:2b)

John 1:1, 14

Mark 1:1, 14-15

Jesus is the long-awaited King and is bringing in His Kingdom.

The upside-down Kingdom... and right-side up.

Isaiah 55:8-9

Jesus demonstrated a different type of kingship and revolution.

The gospel is that Jesus is King which means discipleship is allegiance to the King.

III. The Honor of the King (1 Corinthians 2:2, Philippians 2:3-8)

As we look to King Jesus we see a humble king who we are to emulate as His representatives, those who trust him, bringing honor to the King in how we represent Him with our lives.

Philippians 2:3-8

To place our faith in King Jesus, to be Christians, followers of Jesus...we must give our loyalty and allegiance to Him alone.

Matthew 16:24-25

Luke 9:23

1 Peter 2:21

1 John 2:3-4

1 Corinthians 15:1-5

Conclusion: The Restoration

King Jesus' commands are our marching orders and to follow them means we will look for where God is at work while joining Him in bringing justice, beauty, and peace to our broken world.