

Right King...Wrong Kingdom

Luke 19

At the end of the journey to Jerusalem - the offer of the Kingdom of God goes terribly wrong.

Setting the scene:

- Triumphal Entry?

- Untriumphal Entry!

Having the right king with the wrong expectations will lead to **frustration**.

Right King/Right Kingdom Requires:

- **Obedience** even when it doesn't make sense.
- Extravagant **generosity**.
- Praise and trust even when it doesn't make sense.
- Exchanging your **expectations** for God's.

It is still possible to acknowledge the right king and want the wrong **Kingdom**, but the consequences will be **dire**.

Closing the scene:

- Jerusalem - A.D. 70

Luke Chapter 19

Reading and Study Guide

Bible Reading

- Read Luke 19
Or
- If you want to listen to it you can visit our Facebook page or our Vimeo page - NewStoryKC

Quick Review

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Personal Study

We read this weekend about how Jesus wept over the city of Jerusalem because the people "just didn't get it." Throughout the book of Luke, we've seen Jesus' commitment to helping people understand the right kingdom so they would get it. What do we learn about Jesus' attitude about people who "don't get it" in Matthew 9:35-38?

Jesus asked some of the disciples to obey in a unique way. Many of the people also laid down their prized possessions to honor Jesus as He entered the city. How does the correlation of obedience to worship compare to what Paul called us to do in Romans 12:1-2.

*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. **2** Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*

After reading the above verses - would you say that our obedience or disobedience is directly linked to our worship? Yes or No? Why?

Aaron talked about how we need to adjust our expectations according to what the Lord tells us. How does this passage in Isaiah influence the way you think about God's plans?

Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call on him while he is near.

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Let the wicked forsake their ways

and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

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"For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways,"
declares the Lord.

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"As the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Aaron talked about how God's words to us are always fulfilled. Are there areas that you don't really understand why God has said we should live a certain way? If so, what do these verses say to you:

Isaiah 55:10-11

As the rain and the snow
come down from heaven,
and do not return to it
without watering the earth
and making it bud and flourish,
so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,

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so is my word that goes out from my mouth:
It will not return to me empty,
but will accomplish what I desire
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

The final discussion question for this week has to do with investing for eternity. It is so easy to think that when we begin to follow Jesus - He is going to make our lives easier and better. What impact can the following words of Jesus have on our lives in the here and now?

Matthew 6:19-21

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy,
and where thieves break in and steal. **20** But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.