

THE LAST KINGDOM

PART 3: BEYOND PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE

For many of us, our version of faith or Christianity is based on—and maybe limited to—who Jesus is to us or what we were taught he would be for us. But what if Jesus's claim is true? That he is God's final king? What it would it mean for us?

CONNECT

When was a time you trusted someone's guidance simply because you respected who they were?

LEARN

You will watch a shortened version of a message from this series to set up your group discussion. Watch the full message sometime this week to further explore what you talked about today.

APPLY

After sharing what stood out from the video, discuss the following questions as a group:

1. If an outside observer looked at your daily priorities, what would they say you are seeking first?
2. What's your default version of "good" when you're calling the shots/in control?
3. How does understanding "your kingdom come" as a commitment you make (rather than something God does) change the meaning of this prayer?
4. Where do you resist submitting to King Jesus? Which area comes to mind first—relationships, money, career, influence, habits, secret behaviors? What makes surrender feel risky in that area?
5. Like Joel in the story he shared, we tend to trust people because of who they are and what they have done. What aspects of God's character or track record build trust for you? Where do you still hold back even though you know God is trustworthy?

BEFORE NEXT TIME

Read **Mathew 6:9–13** with this message in mind. How does seeing Jesus as our King change the way you view this prayer?

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PRAY

Heavenly Father, thank you for inviting us into your kingdom. Teach us to align our will with yours. Give us courage to surrender what we cling to, clarity to recognize lies that pull us away, and trust to follow you as King. Bring your goodness into our lives as your will is done. Amen.