



Behold, Your King!

These questions are designed to extend the impact of the weekend message. Use them to go deeper in your personal study time, with your family and/or with a group.

The term "Christ" was originally a royal title meaning "Anointed One" or "King," not a name. And the message of the Gospel is not just about personal salvation but about aligning with the reign of Jesus as King.

1. The word "Christ" is used almost 500 times in the New Testament and each time it means "God's anointed King". Read the following passages from the Gospels and use the phrase "King Jesus" where you see the word "Christ" or "Messiah"

Matthew 1:1, Mark 1:1, Luke 1:30-33, John 20:31

How does this renewed focus shape how you read the Bible and view Jesus?

2. How do you view authority? How you feel that our culture in general views authority?

How does our current experience of authority affect our ability to see Jesus as our King?

3. We need a King. Share about time (or circumstance) when you acted as your own King and the results were painful.

4. Read the following passage and note the things that Jesus had authority over:

Mark 4:39, 41, Luke 9:1-2, Mark 1:7, Mark 7:28-29, John 19:11, Matthew 28:18-20

On a scale of 1(not at all) to 10 (complete authority) How much authority does Jesus in your life in the following areas:

My Time: _____. My Money: _____. My Body: _____. My Relationships: _____

5. Discuss these three possible responses to Jesus as King. Which do you embrace? Which do you struggle with? What other appropriate responses could there be?

Obedience: We do what the King says with a posture of *"Not my will but yours be done."*

Acceptance: Even when we don't understand, we submit to the way that he is ordering our lives from a posture of *"The King knows best."*

Expectation: We fix our expectations for life and the future on the King. Our hope is found in who He is.