

Jesus is Lord – Discipleship

This study highlights the good news of Jesus as the “new” king in the “new” kingdom of God which God is making available to all people and what it means to have Jesus as king or Lord.

John 13:12-15

Jesus says he is Lord – Lord is another word for master

Jesus sets an example – of deep love and a serving heart, calls us to follow that example

What does it mean, practically, to have someone Lord of your life?

What about Jesus’ example makes it easier to follow him as Lord?

Luke 14:25-27 (Matt 10:37-38)

With Jesus as Lord – He requires our connection to Him to be greater than our connection to any other person
– wife, child, parent, best friend

In the kingdom of God – we are called to put our wants and desires 2nd to God’s desires and direction

Why do you think God would require a decision where he is first?

What “cross” or sacrifice will it take to have Jesus as Lord of your life?

Luke 14:31-33

To be part of God’s kingdom we have to surrender everything to him

What does it mean to surrender everything?

2Cor 5:14-15

In these verses we are reminded of why we would want to make Jesus Lord - His love compels us, moves us to lay down our lives in gratitude for the love he has shown us on the cross

What about Jesus’ love can keep us focused on putting him first as Lord?

Luke 5:1-6

Here Peter gives us a picture of what it means to make Jesus Lord, Peter felt like trying again would be useless, pointless, it didn’t make sense. However, Peter did what Jesus asked him to do – because Jesus was Lord

What will it take for you to obey God when you aren’t feeling it makes sense or you don’t understand why God’s way is best?

Matthew 26:36-39

Jesus has deep emotions about NOT doing God’s will – going to the cross

Jesus surrendered his feelings and obeyed God – prayed through the challenge

Can you imagine a time where this type situation may happen to you?

Acts 19:1-7

Paul had a straight forward, open and real conversation with some spiritual people about what they currently understood about the good news. The disciples figured out that their current understanding was incomplete and made changes.

What did it take for them to respond this way?

Can you picture being like them?

Have you ever made a decision that Jesus will be Lord of your life like we just studied? If not are you willing to make this decision?