

# king's chapel

## *Community Group Discussion Guide*

Week of June 12, 2016

**This Week's Focus:** Jesus, the Son of Man who has a unique relationship with God, is the final revelation of God, has authority to judge the world, and came to earth to save sinners.

**This Week's Text:** John 9:35-41

"I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed." **Daniel 7:13-14**

### **Observations and Questions for Discussion:**

- What are your general impressions about this week's passage of Scripture?
- What is the story unfolding in John chapter 9? Discuss the inquisition that the Pharisees leveled against the healed beggar. What were the Pharisees determined to accomplish during the assembly? What do you notice about the beggar's answers to their questions?
- Why were the beggar's parents afraid to answer the Pharisees? Reference verse 22. What did it mean to be cast out of the synagogue?
- Why do you think Jesus preferred to use the term "Son of Man." What does this title mean?
- Read Daniel 7:13-14. Discuss the following characteristics of the Son of Man:
  - The Son of Man has a unique relationship with God.
  - The Son of Man is the ultimate and final revelation of God.
  - The Son of Man is given authority to rule, reign over, and judge all peoples of the earth.
- Compare and contrast Jesus' statements in John 9:39 and John 3:17-18. What is the work of God that Jesus came to accomplish?
- Explain why the Pharisees refused to believe Jesus is the Son of Man despite having the Scriptures and witnessing a miracle.

- What two miracles did Jesus perform in this passage? How did the beggar respond when Jesus revealed himself as the Son of Man? Have you experienced God's miraculous work of redemption? Is there a deepening of worship and awe of Jesus as you learn more about him?
- What is the central message of this chapter and John's Gospel as a whole? Reference John 20:30-31?
- How does the passage encourage you to declare and demonstrate the gospel in your community and spheres of influence?