

# king's chapel

Community Group Discussion Guide

Week of March 24, 2019

**This Week's Focus:** Jesus Christ is the supreme King from David's lineage who reigns in perfect righteousness and who is the sole mediator between sinful men and a holy God.

**This Week's Text:** 2 Samuel 23

The King there in His beauty,  
Without a veil is seen;  
It were a well spent journey,  
Though sev'n deaths lay between;  
The Lamb with His fair army  
Doth on Mount Zion stand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Immanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garments,  
But her dear Bridegroom's face;  
I will not gaze at glory  
But on my King of grace;  
Not at the crown He giveth,  
But on His pierced hand;  
The Lamb is all the glory  
Of Immanuel's land.

**The Sands of Time are Sinking by Anne Ross Cousin**

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

- What has the Holy Spirit impressed on your heart and mind from this week's sermon/text? What have you learned so far from our study of 1 & 2 Samuel?
- How does 2 Samuel 21-24 function with the rest of 1 & 2 Samuel? What is the author's aim by including these non-chronological accounts and psalms? Why do you think the author included David's "final words" in the epilogue to this book?
- Although they are two separate psalms, how do chapters 22 and 23 function harmoniously? Explain how 2 Samuel 22:50-51 links these two chapters together.
- What is the Kingdom of God, and how did it impact the theology, psyche, and identity of the people of Israel throughout their history? How did it shape David's thoughts, words, and actions?
- Who is the supreme King from David's lineage who reigns in perfect righteousness? Discuss why those who have repented and believe the gospel (Mark 1:15) have hope in life and in death.
- In what way do David's words function as an "oracle" (verse 1)? What four self-descriptions does David use, and how do they shape his identity, role, and posture?
- If you wrote your own last words, what would you include? What would be the central theme?

- What three ways does David describe God (verses 2-3)? How do these point to the triune nature of God (Holy Spirit, Father, and Son)? What does David find beautiful about the King's reign?
- What do the accounts of Jesus' healing ministry teach us about the Kingdom of God (Matthew 9:35, Luke 10:8-9)? Do you possess awe, wonder, and delight for Jesus and his life-giving work?
- What's the source of David's confidence and security in God (verse 5)? What is the result of those who accept God's covenant promises (Philippians 1:6)? What about those who reject it (verses 6-7)?
- Discuss how Jesus is our covenant mediator, without whom no one would be saved from the righteous wrath of God. What is the object of your hope?
- How does this passage encourage you to live on mission by demonstrating and declaring the gospel to those in your community and spheres of influence?