



Message Four – The Coming King

Announcements

- **God in the Mirror** – This is a great opportunity to help others *discover who they were created to be* through a *God in the Mirror* small group beginning March 8-9.
 - Leaders pick up your leader packet at Information Central or the information table in the North Café area.
 - All small group members are encouraged to get a *God in the Mirror* book. Books can be purchased for \$15 at campus Bookstores. You can also purchase the e-book online.
 - Visit GodMirror.org for online resources and tools.
- **201 Dream Team Orientation** – Sunday, March 9th at 5:00pm in LCC Globe345. Come discover how you can serve God by serving here at the church. Register at www.churchoftheking.com/register

Warm-up

Who was your hero when you were a child? Why?

Each of us longs to worship someone or something bigger than ourselves. We are wired to worship. The need is so strong in us that if we do not find a worthy object of worship, we will settle for all sorts of things to which we devote our time and attention.

Word and Application

In our discussion today we will be looking at the portrayal of Jesus as *The Coming King*.

Jesus *rules* as king where He is *worshiped* as King.

First let's lay the background of Jesus, the Coming King. Read **Zechariah 9:9** to discover what the prophet Zechariah declared about the Son of God coming as King.

Now **read Luke 19:28-38**. These verses reveal the fulfillment of prophecy that Jesus was the promised Messiah. What do you think the spectators were thinking as they observed Jesus entering the city of Jerusalem on that day? What does it mean to *receive* Jesus as king?

Jesus also made it clear that His kingdom was a spiritual kingdom. **Read John 18:36.** How does what Jesus said change your perspective towards having an earthly citizenship versus being a citizen in God's kingdom?

Read Philippians 2:9-11. Paul speaks of the return of Jesus and how everyone will acknowledge His kingship. What thoughts come to mind when you picture the return of Jesus?

Let's reflect on three ways we can honor Jesus as King:

1. Do what Jesus says.

In Luke 19:29-35, we learn that these two disciples simply did what Jesus said for them to do. The disciples' simple act of obedience brought glory to God.

Tell about a time when you obeyed God and followed His direction, even though you did not know what the future would hold? How did this act of obedience bring glory to God?

2. Feel what Jesus feels.

Read Luke 19:41-44. Jesus knew the fate of Jerusalem was destruction. He was filled with compassion and wept for the people of Jerusalem.

What are some of the issues in our world that move you to tears?

Think of the people within your sphere of influence who are hurting, wandering, and searching. What can you do to help them?

3. Live like Jesus lives.

Read Matthew 21:10-11. Matthew reports that the city was stirred. As we reflect the heart of Christ through obedience and compassion, we can be world-changers too.

List practical ways you can make eternal impact in your home, workplace or neighborhood?

Of the three ways we honor Jesus as our king, in which area do you believe are you most honorable? Which area needs the most growth?

Prayer

Ask God to show each person how we can best honor the Coming King by helping the individuals we encounter daily. Also, take time to ask for specific prayer requests from those in your small group.