

Christmas Changed Everything

DISCUSSION GUIDE | December 14, 2025

BIG IDEA

*Jesus came to launch God's Kingdom on earth,
not to provide an escape route to heaven.*

Message title: When Kingdoms Collide

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-16 NIV

Contrary to what many people believe, Jesus didn't just come to offer us a prayer to pray. He came to invite us to be a part of a new kind of Kingdom not of this world but for this world.

1. *How were you first introduced to the Christian faith, and how did that shape the way you thought about "believing in Jesus"?*
2. *What differences do you see between believing in Jesus and participating with Jesus?*
3. *How might your life look different if you consciously related to Jesus as your King each day?*
4. *Where do you most feel the tension between that Kingdom and the values of the culture around you?*
5. *Where might Jesus be inviting you to embody His Kingdom in a tangible, counter-cultural way this week?*

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

This week, choose one place where your allegiance to Jesus could move from belief to participation and take a concrete action that reflects the upside-down Kingdom.