

Kingdom Come: Sermon Review Guide

Authority of God: Entrusting Everything to Him

1 SAMUEL 24 & 26

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MAIN POINT

The greatest victory you will ever have is the victory over your own spirit when you surrender your spirit to God's authority.

CATCHING UP

Spend some time simply hanging out, catching up, and sharing about what's going on in your lives. Remember that groups are a place to process and apply what is taught in community as we grow together.

What is typically your attitude towards those in authority/leadership? What experiences have you had with good authority/leadership? What about bad?

UNDERSTANDING

REVIEW THE STORIES OF I SAMUEL 24 & 26.

After being warned that Saul once again was serious about killing him, David fled to the desert. But Saul was still out to get him. It was a painful time in David's life. He wrote at least 15 of the Psalms during this period, on average, about one a year for the decade and a half he was on the run from Saul. David had never compromised his respect for Saul's office as king. David's respect for Saul remained uncompromised during the entirety of Saul's unjustified pursuit of David. 1 Samuel records several dramatic examples.

What stood out to you in these stories?

On Sunday, Rob shared the following three keys to understanding the authority of God:

- 1. Recognize Authority: Seeing those who God has placed in authority over you.
- 2. Respect Authority: Making a choice to willingly submit to them.
- 3. Rest in God's Authority: Finding comfort and confidence in God's total authority over everything.

APPLICATION

Help your group identify how the truths from the Scripture passage apply directly to their lives.

Which of these three areas do you feel you need the most growth in? Give specific examples.

How might God be teaching you how to submit to authority in your life right now?

How can the group encourage you towards growth?

PRAYER

Pray for leaders, by position and/or by name. Ask God to give wisdom to group members who have shared tough situations. Thank Him for the leaders in your life. Ask Him to give those leaders Christ-like attitudes. Pray for the courage to be like David when faced with unjust leadership. Thank God for His guidance through His Word and His Spirit. Praise the Lord for always hearing us when we pray brutally honest prayers, and for loving us all the while!