

Whom Do You Seek? John 18:1-11

SERMON OUTLINE

Intro: King David crossed the Kidron Valley in a similar situation of great betrayal.

I. Setting (vv. 1-3)

- A. At least several dozen Roman troops seek Jesus (v. 3)
- B. This is a military confrontation, a massive show of force
 - 1. These soldiers fall down at the word of the I AM
 - 2. Same response as everyone who encounters God's presence in the Scriptures
- C. Whom do you seek?

II. Jesus is the King who provokes fear (vv. 4-6)

- A. He is not your buddy or boyfriend. He's the King.
- B. He possesses all authority and all will bow before Him
- C. The Passover Lamb is also the Lion of Judah

III. Jesus is the King who protects His followers (vv. 7-9)

- A. Jesus demands the soldiers let His followers go
- B. Jesus is the King who disadvantages Himself for His ppl
- C. If you stand outside Christ, you are exposed
- D. If you are in Christ, you are eternally protected

IV. Jesus is the King who propitiates the Father (vv. 9-11)

- A. Jesus does not need to be protected
- B. Jesus will complete His assignment
 - 1. He will drink the cup of God's wrath
 - 2. He will satisfy God's wrath on our behalf

APPLICATIONS

- Whom do you seek? A therapist, friend, guru?
- Seek the eternal, all-powerful, sovereign King.
- We need to adjust our understanding of King Jesus.
- Trust Him for your justification

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who is your favorite historical king? Movie, book, etc.?
2. What are some common misunderstandings people have about what Jesus is like?
3. How has your perspective about Jesus changed over time?
4. How did this sermon challenge your understanding of Jesus' character and nature?
5. What are some examples of faulty attempts man makes to atone for their sin or justify themselves?
6. What can we do to practically remind ourselves that Jesus is the perfect King who propitiates the Father?

OTHER QUESTIONS THAT MAY HELP

1. What does this text tell us about God?
2. What does this text tell us about man?
3. What should I put on or put off in my thinking?
4. What should I put on or put off in my doing?

PREVIOUS HOMEWORK

1. Reconcile with any believer with whom you have disunity.
2. Make a personal holiness strategy and share with someone in your CG.

HOMEWORK

1. Read Revelation 19. Ask God to help you see and understand Jesus more clearly.
2. Examine your fears and anxieties. Ask God to help you trust in His protection and trust Him to work for your good.

2 Timothy 3:16	THINKING	DOING	
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