The King and His People The King's Ministry Matthew 4:17-25

Sermon Notes for April 18, 2021

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The King and His People Discussion/Study Guide for The King's Ministry

We hope this guide will help you go deeper into God's Word and spur you on in obedience to what God is teaching us today. Please feel free to use all or part of it for your group discussion or personal study.

- Take a few minutes and read the following passages in the gospel that summarize the ministry of Jesus. Matthew 4:17-25; 9:35-38; Mark 1:14-15; Luke 8:1; John 1:1-18. What words would you use to describe the characteristics and components of Jesus' ministry?
- Read Matthew 4:17. What are the first words Jesus began to preach? What is your image of someone who preaches a message of repentance?
- Given Mt. 4:12-16, why are these words significant? How could these words be interpreted as more of an invitation rather than condemnation?
- Why do you think Matthew includes the call of Peter, Andrew, James and John at this point?
- What is the call that Jesus gives to the 4 fishermen? What does it cost them to follow Jesus?
- How has or could following Jesus made/make your life more significant? What is the cost of following Jesus been for you? What has or might be the gain for you?
- o How would you describe Jesus' ministry in verse 23-25?
- In what ways is preaching and teaching and healing an expression of Jesus' compassion?
- In what ways might you be used by Jesus this week to carry on His ministry in the peoples' lives around you?
- Take some time and pray for Jesus to show you how you might be used to carry on the King's Ministry. What do you need to repent of? What significant act is Jesus calling you to? How can you express compassion to someone in need this week? Write down one or two actions you can take to be involved in the King's ministry this week.