**A TALE OF TWO KINGDOMS**

**Matthew 6:10**

Jesus - *“Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”* (Matthew 6:10)

**THE BIG IDEA: We are temporary residents of this world, but as Christians our citizenship is in God’s eternal kingdom.**

**THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS THE EFFECTIVE RULE AND REIGN OF CHRIST OVER ALL THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* *“The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.”* (Psalm 103:19)
* *“His kingdom is an eternal kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation.”* (Daniel 4:3b)
* **There is nothing in the universe that is not subject to the authority of the LORD.**

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* Jesus - *“Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”* (Matthew 6:10)
* **When we fix our focus on the things of this world we miss out on God’s Kingdom agenda.**

**THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS THE EFFECTIVE RULE AND REIGN OF CHRIST OVER ALL THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (CHRISTIANS)**

* *“But seek first the kingdom of God an His righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you.”* (Matthew 6:33)
* **Living as Kingdom citizens in this world means investing our time, talents, and treasures in that which will have an eternal impact.**

**THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NOW AND \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_**

* *“And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed.”* (Daniel 2:44)
* **God’s Kingdom agenda is carried out now through us as disciples of Jesus, and will be permanently established when Christ returns again.**

**CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION**

**Ice Breaker:**

* Describe the ideal vacation?

**Start thinking:**

* What stands out to you as you read Matthew 6:10?
* When you think of the term “Kingdom” what comes to mind?
* How would you describe the term “citizenship”?
* What impacted you most from the sermon?

**Start sharing. Discuss in depth to create openness***.*

* The Pastor used the term “effective rule and reign” to describe the Kingdom of God. What does that phrase mean?
* Describe what goes through your mind when you think about being citizens of God’s eternal Kingdom?
* In what areas have you struggled to allow Jesus to have an “Effective Rule and Reign” in your life?
* How can you more effectively live as a Kingdom citizen on this earth? (Be specific.)

**Start praying. Be bold, and pray specifically.**

* Lord God, Thank you for saving me from my sins and adopting me into Your family as a Kingdom citizen. My heart’s desire is to live as a Kingdom citizen in a way that honors You. Help me to surrender every area of my life under the effective rule and reign of Christ so that I can bring honor to Your Name. Use me for Your glory and Your Kingdom purposes. – Amen.