The Gospel of the Kingdom

Week 3 - Day 5: Share the Gospel

This week, we have just concluded the Pentateuch. So often, this is where people lose track of the Bible as they start from page one and move forward. Our encouragement is that you would use this study guide and other resources to remember that through all of the laws, God is crafting a story that points to Jesus.

The **GOOD NEWS** found in the Pentateuch is that God is beginning to reveal His pattern of His covenant faithfulness towards his *kingdom purposes* discussed in week 2. Even while we were sinners, God still comes through and saves us! Therefore, when we share the gospel with others, let's keep this overarching story in mind!

Share the Gospel Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sew1kBle-W0

Community Group Discussion Questions:

This week, we invite you to pause along with the Israelites. Take the time to revisit some of the entries you rushed through or did not quite grasp. Reflect on your observations and prayers to each entry and see what God is saying through these first 3 weeks! As always, feel free to come up with questions of your own based on your observations and conversations

Question: What observations / reflections / prayers stood out to you about this week?

Exodus: God's loving faithfulness toward His people extends beyond the depths of your bleakest circumstances. Our God offers a *salvation* from the foreign kingdoms and a *reestablishment* of His kingdom rule in His kingdom space as we become members of His kingdom family!

Question: In what areas of your life do you long to experience the Lord's salvation? How might God be using this area of brokenness to shape your role in His kingdom? How do you reconcile that Jesus has brought salvation to us yet we still live in a world of sin?

Leviticus: Leviticus foreshadows the means by which our savior -- the one who would crush the serpent, the descendant of Abraham, the Isaac-like sacrifice, the King from the tribe of Judah, and the Moses-like prophet -- would lead God's people to their *salvation* from the kingdom of sin into the kingdom of God. Leviticus leaves us wondering whose sacrifice would

be able to *eternally* cleanse us of our sin so that we might be brought into God's kingdom space?

Question: Describe what it felt like when you first realized that your sinfulness alienated you from God but that God had made provision for you to have access to Him through Christ. Is there anyone in your life who is experiencing the brokenness of the world through their sin or the sins of others toward them that needs to be introduced to God's love and forgiveness? Will you pray for them now and ask God for an opportunity to tell them about God making a way for them to come to Him?

Numbers: Despite our failures and evil's best attempts, God will continually be faithful to His promises and people. He will not only bring discipline but blessing and restoration to His people.

Question: Where do you find yourself prone to complain? What are the implications in your life that there is discipline and hope of blessing and restoration during these moments?

Deuteronomy: It's so easy to forget some of the most important and memorable events that God has orchestrated in our lives. Through Moses' last words, God is reminding a new generation of His people to not forget what He has said and done so that they might be blessed in the promised land.

Question: Using one word or a short phrase, write down the blessings God has given you! Write out in abbreviated form, the challenges you are currently facing and any specific promise God has given you in order to endure! What are some of the ways that you can remember what God has done for you (part 1) in the midst of the challenges you face (part 2)?