



## Entrance Through Repentance

### BIG IDEA

The Kingdom of Heaven is the active rule and reign of King Jesus stepping into the chaos of our DIY dominion. We enter His kingdom through repentance, which is a joyful, 180-degree regime change in our hearts. By laying down our tiny crowns today, we renounce the darkness and fully submit to the authority of the true King.

### SCRIPTURES REFERENCED

- Matthew 3:1-2
- Matthew 4:17, 23-25
- Matthew 9:35-36

### PRAYER

### DISCUSSION

- We talked on Sunday about the exhaustion and chaos of ruling our own lives rather than submitting to God's. What is one area of life (finances, schedules, relationships, your kids, work, etc) where you feel chaos? What would it look like to submit to the reign of Jesus in that area? Can anyone share testimony of God restoring order in an area?
- How does defining the Kingdom of Heaven as "the active rule and reign of King Jesus right now" change the way you view your daily life as a Christian, compared to just treating heaven like a future "retirement destination"?
- For many of us, the word "repent" feels like a fear-based, "turn or burn" guilt trip. What do you think it means for the kindness of God to lead to repentance? How does viewing repentance as a joyful action driven by God's kindness change your relationship with Him?
- What do you think our role is in making kingdom impact in the world? How can we do this together?

### PRAYER FOCUS

- Pray for the Kingdom of Heaven to reign in Jones County and beyond
- Pray for one another to continue taking next steps
- Pray for those who were just baptized and for those on the fence about taking that next step