

Series: Revelection
Sermon: Good Citizens
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Daily Readings

Monday: Revelation 11
Tuesday: Philippians 3
Wednesday: Ephesians 6:10-20
Thursday: Matthew 6:19-34
Friday: Psalm 145
Saturday: Proverbs 21

Discussion Questions

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about living as a kingdom citizen? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Read Revelation 11:15-18. What does it mean that our citizenship resides in an everlasting kingdom? Does the Kingdom of God have the utmost priority in your life? How can Philippians 3:20 also shape our thinking along this line?
4. How do we guard against thinking "America first" and think instead "Kingdom first?" What does "Kingdom first" thinking look like?
5. As Kingdom citizens, we ought to care more about our prophetic witness than political power. Is this true of your life? Why or Why not? How can we develop a deeper care for our prophetic witness within the world?
6. In what ways can our Kingdom witness be costly? Why is it worth it though?
7. Reflect on this phrase: "Even death can't silence the witness of the Church because Jesus will vindicate His people and the message of the gospel." Why should the reality of having a vindicated witness bring such encouragement to our souls?
8. Read Proverbs 21:1 (HCSB version) again: "*A king's heart is like streams of water in the LORD's hand: He directs it wherever He chooses.*" Why is it important to keep our vote in proper perspective knowing that God alone is sovereign and we are not?
9. Think about this phrase again: "Jesus may not be on the ballot, but He is on the throne." How does this truth embolden us to stand for the truth during this time? How does this truth help us choose our Kingdom family over our political tribe? How does this truth better help us live like the Kingdom of God is not subject to political contests?
10. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

Write out a prayer before the Lord this week. In that prayer, take time to exalt the true King, Jesus Christ. Then, repent of areas in your heart where you have lived inconsistently with the heart of God. And lastly, ask the Lord (the One who alone is Sovereign) to bring about His good, pleasing, and perfect will during this moment in our nation.