

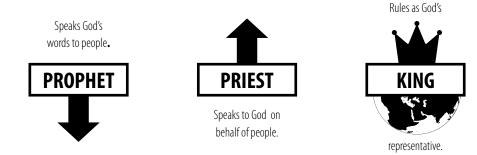
Sunday, December 6, 2020 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

Part 2 | King of Righteousness

Deuteronomy 17:14-20; Isaiah 11:1-5

Three Offices/Roles of Christ

These are also roles of God's people — fulfilled perfectly in Jesus.



God promised a KING

from the Garden

Genesis 3:15 -> Revelation 19:11-16ff

The plot line of Scripture is tracing how God will fulfill the promise of Genesis 3:15!

stipulations Deuteronomy 17:14-20

all the kings...

who always does **RIGHT**

unlike all the others Psalm 71:19

King of Righteousness Isaiah 11:1-5; Hebrews 7

and **BEFRIENDS** his people.

gentle and lowly Matthew 11:28-30



STUDY GUIDE

What is this? — Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them Life Groups. The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a parallel passage of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a Life Group, let us know on the Connect Card in your bulletin.

Getting Started

Getting to Know You: Part of our goal

together is getting to know one another. Describe something you once strongly desired (for example, a car, television, stereo or a relationship with a particular person). When you got it, did it fulfill your expectations? Explain why or why not.

Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.

* This week's questions are adapted from: Cindy Bunch, ed., Advent of the Savior: 6 Studies for Individuals or Groups: With Notes for Leaders, A LifeGuide Bible Study (Downers Grove, IL: IVP Connect: An

The Magi's Search for the King

 What are you currently waiting for or anticipating? How does it affect your thoughts throughout the day?

The nation of Israel waited for centuries for God's anointed king to be born. Jesus' birth, however, was not greeted with royal gladness by the nation and its leaders. Instead, there was intrigue and conflict. The political and religious establishment felt threatened by the coming of the Messiah. It was left to foreign leaders to welcome the newborn king. **Read Matthew 2:1–18.**

- Compare and contrast Jesus the heavenly king and Herod the earthly king in this chapter of Matthew.
- 3. There are many traditions and myths in church history about the Magi that may or may not be true. But drawing only from the information in this passage, what can we discover about them?
- 4. Describe the details of their search for Jesus.
- 5. How has knowing Jesus involved you in a search or journey—either initially or in your ongoing spiritual life?
- 6. How has what you have found in your journey with Jesus been similar to or different from what you expected?
- Compare and contrast the response of the religious leaders (v. 4–6) to the response of the Magi (v. 7–12).
- 8. On hearing of Jesus' birth from the searching Magi, Herod also begins a search for the newborn Christ (v. 13–16). How does his search compare with that of the Magi?
- The responses of the Magi and Herod are typical of the ways people respond to Jesus today. Describe some different responses to Jesus you have witnessed?
- 10. What factors might cause people to respond to Jesus in radically different ways?

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- 11. God is the unseen actor throughout the chapter. In what ways can we see his behind-thescenes actions (v. 6, 15)?
- 12. The way in which we celebrate the Christmas season can lead to much anticipation and at times great disappointment. What disappointments has the most recent season brought for you?
- 13. What gifts has it brought?
- 14. What activities or practices might help you to foster a season of Advent which is centered on the Christ child who has come to fulfill God's promises to us?

Pray

Spend time praying for one another by name, and praying for Jesus to come again soon as our righteous King!



DECEMBER CHALLENGE

Memorize our Mission Statement:

This month let's memorize our mission statement as a reminder to live it out!

We are sent to love people and invite them to follow Jesus with us.

Word Find for Isaiah 11:1-5 (ESV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

¹ There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ² And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom

and understanding , the Spirit of	_			_		_	_	_			_	.,		.,
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judge by what his eyes see, or	F	Е	Α	R	S	Т	Н	L	Т	U	N	N	U	Υ
decide disputes by what his ears	В	R	Α	N	С	Н	W	1	S	D	0	М	1	J
hear , ⁴ but with righteousness he	В	S	J	Е	S	S	Е	G	Υ	G	W	Q	Т	Р
shall judge the poor , and decide	S	Т	U	М	Р	Т	D	Н	С	Е	L	R	Υ	0
with equity for the meek of the	В	Α	1	K		R	Р	т	0	Α	Е	0	F	0
earth; and he shall strike the earth														
with the rod of his mouth , and with	Е	N	Р	U	R	ı	В	Т	U	R	D	0	Υ	R
the breath of his lips he shall kill	Α	D	D	S	1	K	R	Т	N	S	G	Т	U	K
the wicked. 5 Righteousness shall	R	-1	G	Н	Т	Ε	0	U	S	N	Е	S	S	М
be the belt of his waist, and	Т	N	L	0	R	D	В	R	Е	Α	Т	Н	G	Е
faithfulness the belt of his loins.	Н	G	С	0	М	Е	В	Е	L	Т	0	J	С	Е
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