

# King of Kings

## Small Groups Weekly Bible Study

April 20-26

**Palm Sunday:** – “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.”

**Theme:** Handling Adversity

### Warm-Up Questions:

1. How do you respond to what Peter Baye stated: “**Conventional wisdom often masquerades as Biblical truth.**” What is one other thing that stood out to you from his sermon?

### Observation and Interpretation Questions:

**Read Matthew 6:31-34. God is in control.**

1. Why is it important that Jesus cautions us not to worry (verses 31-33)?
2. What does Jesus remind us that is true about our lives (verse 34)?

**Read Matthew 7:3-5. Life is not fair.**

1. Why is it important that Jesus cautions us not to judge others (verse 3)?
2. What does Jesus remind us that is true about our situation (verse 4)?
3. Who does Jesus say we should attend to first in any situation (verse 5)?
4. How might keeping this in mind help you face some things in your life right now?

**Read Matthew 8:18, 23-26. Suffering often blindsides us.**

1. Why do you think Jesus decided to get into the boat (verses 18,23)?
2. What warning of the storm did Jesus and the disciples have (verse 24)?
3. What was the truth that He wanted everyone to realize (verses 25-26)?
4. How might this message be helpful to someone you know?

**Read Matthew 14:22-25. God is present in our storms.**

1. What does Jesus have the disciples do while He dismisses the crowd (verse 22)?
2. What was happening to the boat during the night (verses 23-24)?
3. What does Jesus decide to do when He sees their situation (verse 25)?

### Application Question:

1. How are you going to apply one of these three truths to your life this week?
2. What can you do this week to let God’s word transform the way you do life?

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as we are in the middle of a time of testing, help us all to remember these truths and not lose sight of You and the promise of Your continued presence.

**Talk and Pray** with one another about how you can Join Jesus on His mission in your own lives this week, and pray for one another about any personal concerns or praises you have.



## Going Deeper

Peter Baye stated, ***“Until God is all you have, you’ll never realize that He is all you need.”***  
What do you think he meant by this statement?

### 1. Read Psalm 23:1 – “My Shepherd”

Who do you think the Psalmist meant by calling the LORD his shepherd?

### 2. Read Psalm 23:2 – Green Pastures, Still Waters

What is so important to sheep about green pasture and still waters?

### 3. Read Psalm 23:3 – Paths of Righteousness

What is the importance of how and where sheep are being led?

### 4. Read Psalm 23:4 - Rod and Staff

How do you think having this mindset would affect the way you live?

### 5. Read Psalm 23: 5-6 – Goodness and Mercy

How do you think having this mindset would affect the way you handle adversity?

Share how you might look for an opportunity to share these truths this week.

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, show us again this week that You are truly the One who leads us through the dark valleys of life and that only You truly care for and provide for us.