

The King's Road: The Revelation of the King

Re: GROUP

The King's Road: Whose Side Are You ON?

Matthew 12:22-37

Small Group Questions

I. WHO IS THIS MAN? (Matthew 12:22-24)

Theme: Recognizing Jesus' Identity

1. The crowd asked, "*Can this be the Son of David?*" What evidence did they see—and why were they still hesitant to fully believe?
2. The Pharisees saw the same miracle but reached a completely different conclusion. What does this teach us about how our hearts influence what we believe?
3. Read *Isaiah 35:4-5*. How do Jesus' actions clearly point to His identity as Messiah?
4. In your own life, what evidence of Jesus' work have you seen—and how have you responded to it?

II. WHICH KINGDOM IS HE FROM? (Matthew 12:25-30)

Theme: No Neutral Ground

1. Jesus says a divided kingdom cannot stand. Why does His response completely dismantle the Pharisees' accusation?
2. What does Jesus mean when He says, "*the kingdom of God has come upon you*"? Why is that such a weighty statement?
3. Verse 30 says, "*Whoever is not with me is against me.*" Why do you think Jesus removes the option of neutrality?
4. In practical terms, what does it look like to be "gathering" with Jesus rather than "scattering"?

III. DOES IT REALLY MATTER? (Matthew 12:31-38)

Theme: The Seriousness of Rejection

1. Why is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit described as unforgivable? What makes it different from other sins?

2. Jesus says our words reveal our hearts. What do your everyday words (at home, work, online) reveal about what's inside you?
3. How does understanding that we will give an account for our words (vv. 36–37) change the way we speak?
4. Read *Matthew 7:15–20*. How does the “fruit” principle help us evaluate both ourselves and others?

Concluding Application Questions (King’s Road Focus)

1. Jesus makes it clear—there is no middle ground. **Whose side are you truly on**, and what in your life demonstrates that?
2. If your words reveal your heart, **what needs to change internally** so that your speech reflects a life aligned with Christ?

Prayer Prompts

- **Recognition of Jesus:**
Ask God to give you clarity and conviction to see Jesus rightly—not with doubt or distortion, but as Lord and Messiah.
- **Repentance of Divided Allegiance:**
Confess any areas where you’ve tried to stay neutral, compromised, or lived with divided loyalty.
- **Heart Transformation:**
Pray that God would change your heart at the root level so that your words, attitudes, and actions reflect Him.
- **Guarding Your Words:**
Ask the Lord to help you speak with truth, grace, and integrity, remembering that your words reveal your heart.
- **Kingdom Focus:**
Pray for boldness and faithfulness to “gather” with Christ—helping others see, know, and follow Him.