

The King's Road: The Revelation of the King

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The King's Road Small Group Guide

Faith in and of the King

Matthew 17:14–27

Icebreaker

Describe a time when someone kept a promise that strengthened your trust in them. How did that experience change your confidence in that person?

Digging into the Text

I. The Crowd Had No Faith (17:14–18)

Read Matthew 17:14–18.

1. What do you notice about the different people gathered around Jesus when He arrived?
2. Why do you think Jesus described that generation as "faithless and twisted"?
3. What does this passage teach us about the destructive work of Satan?
4. How does Jesus' authority over the demon reveal His identity?
5. Where do you see unbelief affecting our culture today?

II. The Disciples Had Little Faith (17:19–20)

Read Matthew 17:19–20.

1. Why was it significant that the disciples privately asked Jesus why they failed?
2. According to Jesus, what was the real issue behind their failure?
3. How did the sermon define biblical faith?
4. Why is the object of our faith more important than the amount of our faith?
5. What are some subtle ways Christians today place confidence in something other than Christ?

III. Jesus Was Faithful (17:22–27)

Read Matthew 17:22–27.

1. What does Jesus' prediction of His death and resurrection reveal about His mission?
 2. Why do you think the disciples struggled to understand what Jesus was telling them?
 3. What does the temple tax account teach us about Jesus' humility and wisdom?
 4. How does Jesus' miraculous provision strengthen your confidence in Him?
 5. Which aspect of Jesus' faithfulness in this passage encourages you the most?
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Living the King's Road

1. Where is God asking you to trust Him instead of relying on your own understanding?
2. Is there an area where your confidence has shifted from Christ to yourself, circumstances, or other people?
3. What promise of God do you need to believe and obey this week?
4. How does remembering Jesus' faithfulness help you face uncertainty today?

Prayer Focus

Spend time praying:

- Thank Jesus for His perfect faithfulness.
- Confess areas where unbelief or self-reliance has replaced confidence in God.
- Ask God to strengthen your trust in His promises.
- Pray for opportunities to demonstrate confident obedience this week.

Weekly Challenge

This week, identify one promise of God from Scripture that applies to a current situation in your life. Memorize it, pray through it daily, and take one practical step of obedience that demonstrates confidence in God's faithfulness rather than your own understanding.