Small Group Questions: King Richard

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Read

Matthew 7:7-11; Jeremiah 1:5; Ephesians 2:10; Hebrews 4:15; Isaiah 53:3-4

Reflect

The gospel of Matthew shares many of Jesus's teachings. While we are told to pray, not judge others, and not worry, these actions are challenging on a daily basis. Mental and verbal accusations can impact us negatively. How can you be more like Jesus?

Pastor Jack Hoey highlights the following:

1. He has good plans for me.

- a. Describe a time in your life when God had a good plan for you.
- b. Are you able to praise God during the really tough times? How can you improve your daily life and reach out to God more during challenges?

2. His plans are an invitation for us to partner with him.

- a. Read and discuss Matthew 7:8.
 - "For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."
- b. Since God knows in advance his plans for you, how can you better receive his guidance and partner with him?
- c. Discuss the lyrics of "Good Good Father" and the meaning of the song.

3. He has walked through what he asks of us.

- a. When leading your own children, how can you reach out to God for guidance and encourage youth to turn to him in prayer?
- b. Jesus endured suffering on the cross for us. How much burden will you face for him?
- c. How can you bring the joy and kindness of knowing Christ into your conversations about doing the right things each day?

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?