WEEK 4: THE HUMBLE KING Small Group Discussion Guide // March 25, 2018

- 1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that challenged, intrigued, surprised, bothered, confused, or was new to you?
- This week Pastor Brandon talked about the prophecies related to the coming Messiah and the struggles that God's people were facing during the time Jesus was on Earth. (Isaiah 61:1-2)

What were the people's expectation of Jesus? What misconceptions do people today have about Jesus?

3. During Jesus ministry on Earth, many of the religious leaders enjoyed the benefits that came with their position. They had a civil relationship with the Roman empire, were respected by the Jewish people, and overall, lived very comfortable lives. It became clear to the religious leaders that if Jesus was the Messiah, he was not a Messiah that intended to make life easier for them, but rather would disrupt their lives tremendously. This was not the kind of change they were willing to tolerate. (John 2:13-17)

In what ways can a person or a church become too comfortable? How might following Jesus create discomfort or hardship in a person's life today? Are there areas in you own life that you have become too comfortable?

- 4. Please read John 13:1-10. Washing feet was a normal part of the culture during Jesus' time on Earth and was done by the lowest ranking servant in the house. Jesus very clearly showed His disciples that He loved them more than his pride, dignity, status or position. He called His disciples, us, to love and serve in the same way. What does it look like for us to wash the feet of those in our lives? Would you feel comfortable caring for the same people that Jesus cared for during his ministry on Earth?
- 5. This week, where might you need to respond with love and humility? How might the guestion, "What would Jesus do?" provoke you to act differently in a situation?
- 6. What is one thing you need to remember or act on this week as a result of this teaching and study? What accountability do you need to ensure action?

