



STUDY NOTES – NOVEMBER 24, 2109

Sermon Series: “Worldview Sunday”

Pastor Kris preaches from the English Standard Version (ESV).

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Scripture: John18:33-36

➤ The nature of the Kingdom of God (Vs. 33-36)

John 18:33–36 (ESV)

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?”

³⁵Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?”

³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.”

- Life lesson: Keep your main focus on God's rule in human lives, not human politics.

Wrong views of the role of government and religion:

1. “Government should compel religion”
2. “Exclude religion from government”
3. “All government is demonic”
4. “Do evangelism and reject all politics”
5. “Do politics and minimize evangelism”

➤ God's Kingdom view: Keep the Gospel as your highest priority, while...

1. ... expressing the two great commandments in your political involvement. (Matthew 22:37-39)

Matthew 22:37–39 (ESV)

³⁷And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

³⁸This is the great and first commandment.

³⁹And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

2. ...using your influence to further a just society. (Isaiah 1:17)

Isaiah 1:17 (ESV) learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow’s cause.

3. ...voting through the lens of Kingdom values. (Micah 6:8)

Micah 6:8 (ESV)

⁸He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- Have someone read Sunday’s passage: John 18:33
 - What truths stand out to you?
- 1. As a group, describe the characteristics of the Kingdom of God?
 - Why can’t the Kingdom of God be brought about through human politics?
 - Look at the box that contains the wrong views of the role of government and religion. What other additional wrong views with you add?
- 2. What does it mean to keep the gospel as our highest priority?
 - How can we love our neighbor as ourselves through political involvement?
 - What are some characteristics of a just society?
 - What do you believe is the role of a free society in bringing about justice?
 - Using Micah 6:8, discuss what these characteristics look like in a political candidate (without using any names).
 - As a group, take time to pray for our government and the upcoming elections.

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