

STUDY 3 Your kingdom come (Psalm 96, Mark 1:9-15)

What are some ways people try to build their own little kingdoms here on earth? How would you explain what a king does to a little child?

- 1. <u>Read Psalm 96</u> What does verse 5 tell us about the Lord? What does it mean that "the Lord reigns" in verse 9?
- 2. <u>Read Mark 1:15</u> How would you explain this verse to someone who isn't familiar with the Christian faith?
- 3. How would you define "the kingdom of God"? How is God's kingdom now present and also yert to come?
- 4. **<u>Read Matthew 6:9-10</u>** All three "yours" in these verses are linked to "on earth as it is in heaven". When we pray "your kingdom come" what are we praying?
- 5. If praying "your kingdom come" is praying that the saving rule of Jesus would be accepted and lived out:
 - How is this a dangerous prayer for some people
 - How can this be a life changing prayer for us and our friends and family?
- 6. If Jesus Christ has brought in God's kingdom now through his life, death and resurrection how does that help us sharpen our prayers? How does it change the way we pray "your kingdom come"?

Spend some times prayer shaped around "Our father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, through Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour"