



GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF AUGUST 4, 2024 | JESUS, THE ELECTION AND YOU - PART 1

**There are ways to discuss these topics constructively, fostering understanding rather than division. We encourage you to prioritize protecting the safety of your group space ensuring all conversations are approached with kindness, and ultimately point to Jesus.*

WARM-UP QUESTION

What emotions do you feel as we move into this topic?

DISCUSS

Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's message. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read [John 18:33-36](#)

- What do you notice about Jesus in these verses?
- In verse 36, Jesus says, "My kingdom is not of this world." What do you think Jesus means by this statement? How is this idea counter-cultural in our modern climate?
- How does Jesus' response differentiate His Kingdom from the earthly kingdoms of the world?
- When our political climate creates tension between worldly expectations and His Kingdom, how can you navigate that as Jesus did?
- What does it mean for believers today to be part of Jesus' Kingdom? How might this impact their interactions with worldly systems of power?

Read [Daniel 4:17](#)

- Where do you see God in this passage?
- What does this verse teach us about God's sovereignty and authority over human affairs?
- How does this passage challenge our understanding of power, leadership and authority in the world today?
- What practical steps can we take to acknowledge God's sovereignty in their daily lives, especially in times of political division?

Read [Joshua 5:13-15](#)

- Have you ever had an experience where you felt a clear sense of God's presence or direction in a challenging situation? How did that impact your actions or decisions?
- In what areas of your life might you need to recognize and submit more fully to God's leadership and authority?
- In what ways do you need to refocus your heart and mind on God's Kingdom rather than the earthly world?



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RESPOND

- Based on what you just discussed, what do you think God is prompting you to do in response? When will you do it?
- Pray together as a group for the specific goals or areas of struggle that came up in your discussion. Thank God for revealing more of who He is, and ask Him to help you apply what He's prompting you to do this week.