

Meditations through Lent.

Week 4 The Man Who would be king, and then...

Read 1 Samuel 8:1 - 22

Why do you think Samuel - the last Judge - would be displeased at the people's request (v6)?

What do you notice about God's response to Samuel? (v7)

What can we learn about our role in mission/ministry today, especially under fear of rejection?

Once again God warns the people of what will happen, but they don't listen. What can we learn about coming to God with requests and demands?

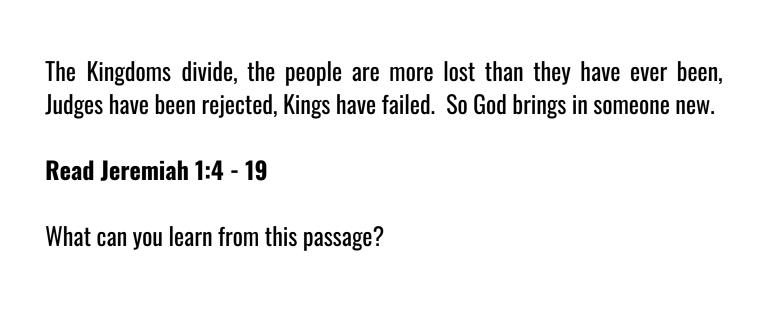
Read 2 Samuel 11 - 12.

David, a man after God's own heart...really?

Is there anything positive to take from David in this story?

So what can we learn about Nathan's rebuke?

Sin needs forgiven, but the impact of sin can be long lasting. (vv13-14) If there is some external sin that has broken your life have you turned it back to God to be healed?



What gives you encouragement?

Are you ready to answer God's call? (v17)

Jeremiah spoke the word of God (Take time and read his story through the whole book), but the people still did not listen.

Read Psalm 137.

What did it take for the people to realise their fallenness?

How will their song of lament finish? How does ours end?

Read	Isaiah	52:13	-	53:12
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Which of these verses will you take to heart?

Now, just take to reflect on what is to come as we approach Easter...

Man of sorrows, what a name... Hallelujah, what a saviour!