

BEYOND SUNDAY

God's Big Story — 3.22.2026

Act 4: The Coming King — Mark Tumney

Gather

These questions help build connections with others as you share personal experiences.

1. When you think of the word "rescue," what's a moment in your life (big or small) where you needed help but couldn't fix something on your own?

Grow

These questions guide your group through scripture from Sunday's Sermon. Sharing observations that lead to greater understanding of scripture and of God's work in our lives.

Key Passages: Genesis 1:31; Genesis 3:8–10; 1 Samuel 8:19–20; Isaiah 64:1, 6; Luke 4:16–21

1. Read Genesis 1:31

- What made creation "very good" according to the sermon?
- Which of the four relationships (God, others, self, creation) feels most meaningful to you?

2. Read Genesis 3:8–10

- What changed in humanity's relationship with God in this moment?
- Where do you see fear, hiding, or shame show up in people's lives today?

3. Read 1 Samuel 8:19–20; Isaiah 64:1, 6

- Why did Israel want a human king? What were they *באמת* looking for?
- What does the cry "Hosanna" reveal about their understanding of their need?

4. Read Luke 4:16–21

- What stands out to you about what Jesus reads from Isaiah?
- What does "the year of the Lord's favor" (Jubilee) tell us about God's heart?

5. Reflecting on the passages and the sermon how does Jesus begin restoring:

- Our relationship with God?
- Our relationships with others?
- Our inner lives (shame, identity)?
- The brokenness of the world?

Give / Go

These questions help us apply the sermon's message in our lives.

1. Where in your life do you most need to say, "Father, help me"—instead of trying to fix things on your own?
2. What is one practical way you can respond to Jesus's restorative power (trusting Him, surrendering something, or extending restoration to someone else)?

Prayer

Prayer Direction:

Spend time honestly bringing areas of need before God—naming where you need His rescue and restoration.

Group Prayer Question:

How can we be praying for one another as we learn to trust Jesus as our King and Rescuer?

Going Deeper

If you're interested in exploring this week's themes further, consider one of these resources:

- **Video:**
 - BibleProject – [The Gospel of the Kingdom](#)
 - <https://bibleproject.com/videos/gospel-kingdom/>
- **Practice:**
 - Prayer of Examen (description [HERE](#))
 - At the end of the day pray that God would show you the moments of the day when you felt God's rescue or restoration. Also, reflect on the places you are still in need of rescue and restoration. Lift those to God and ask for Jesus to restore them in days to come.
- **Book:**
 - [God's Big Picture](#) by Vaughan Roberts. <https://a.co/d/067sLAnE>
(focused on chapters 3-5)