

DNA - Citizens of Heaven

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- Pastor Derwin said, “In the Story of God, there is a King. His name is Jesus, and He has a Kingdom with a people called the Body of Christ, who have a transformational mission.” Read through **Philippians 3:18-21** aloud as a group. What in this verse lets you know that Jesus is the true King?
- Read **Colossians 1:19-20**. Who is this verse talking about? How is Jesus different from earthly kings? What is the role of the cross?
- Think about the Kingdom of God. What does this term mean? What is the Kingdom of God? (Re-read **Phil. 3:18-21** for clues.)
- Read **Romans 14:16-17**. The Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Take time to discuss what each of these terms means.
- Righteousness is rooted in love for God, your neighbor, and yourself. How are you pursuing righteousness in your life?
- Peace is not passive but an active pursuit of reconciliation. How can you pursue peace in your family? With your neighbor? At work or at school?
- Joy comes from love and peace. Do you feel joy in your life? If so, describe this joy. If not, what can you do to get that joy?
- Read **1 Corinthians 12:27**. We are all a part of the Body of Christ. How does the reality that you are not alone change your perspective of the Christian life? How can you walk in faith with other believers?
- Read **Psalms 1:1-3**. In this passage, to prosper means to bear fruit. How does this change your view of prosperity? Now read **Galatians 5:22-24**. What is this fruit we will bear? What is the link between happiness and holiness?

Soul-tattoo: Embrace your true citizenship. Read the creed below 3 times a day (morning, noon, night):
(Take time to recite this together as a group.)

**Jesus is the King of the Kingdom
His blood purchased our citizenship
We are His; He is ours.
May His Kingdom come to earth in us and through us.
Amen. Amen. Amen.**