| CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH | Voices: Who Are You Listening To? - Life to the Full |
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| BIG IDEA | Jesus is King and I am not. |
| ICE BREAKER | What's one voice (person, podcast, social media account, etc.) that has significantly influenced your thinking or decisions in the past year—for better or worse? |
| MAIN POINTS | The Kingdom of Heaven = The Reign and Rule of Jesus in Your Life Like the treasure in the field and the pearl of great price, discovering Jesus changes what we value. We can't call Jesus "King" and keep our crown. Instead of praying "God, what can you do for me?" we should pray "God, what can I do for you?" This shift changes everything. The Kingdom Is an inclusive Invitation but an exclusive Allegiance |
| DISCUSS | What most stood out to you from the message this weekend? Why? How does understanding the "Kingdom of Heaven" as God's reign and rule in your life (rather than just a future place) change your perspective on following Jesus? Read Matthew 13:44-46. Why do you think both men were willing to sell everything for what they found? What does this tell us about the value of Jesus and His Kingdom? Shan said "Jesus plus nothing equals everything." What are some things we're tempted to add to Jesus (wealth, success, comfort, approval) thinking they'll complete us? Where is it hardest for you to let Jesus be King right now? (Your beliefs, decisions, relationships, finances, career, etc.) The sermon mentioned that many of us live "lives of quiet desperation" because we want to be our own king. What does quiet desperation look like? Have you experienced this? |
| NEXT STEP | Change your prayers this week. Ask not what God can do for youask what you can do for Him. |
| SCRIPTURE | John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. Matthew 13:44-46 The Kingdom of Heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. |
| NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK | Join us next week and invite a friend as we continue in the the series Voices: Who are you Listening to? |