

Lectionary Bible Study

For Sunday, November 26, 2023 (Christ the King)

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Discussion Starters

1. In this allegory, who are the sheep? Who are the shepherds?
2. What will God do for the sheep, and what will He do for those that have been scattered? Who is the coming shepherd?
3. What does this passage tell you about the mission of Jesus?
4. How would you describe the sheep in our congregation?
5. How does God provide food and safety for His sheep (both then and now?)

Ephesians 1:15-23

Discussion Starters

1. What does Paul pray for the Christians at Ephesus? Why does he want them to have these things?
2. What does God's "incomparably great" power enable the Christian to do?
3. If the Christians at Ephesus had everything for which Paul prayed in this passage, how might their lives have been different? How might your life be different?
4. For whom do you continually give thanks?

Matthew 25:31-46

Discussion Starters

1. Is this passage a parable or a prophecy?
2. What criteria will Jesus use as the basis for His judgment? What kind of actions are these? How do they benefit the doer?
3. How are those who do the acts similar to those who do not do them? How are they different?
4. Who qualifies as "one of the least of these?"
5. Which of these areas of service comes most naturally to you? Which is most problematic?

WRAP UP

What key insight did you gain from this Bible study? How might it make a difference in how you live today?