



Group Discussion Guide: Kingdom | November 28, 2021

Begin with prayer (10 minutes).

As you begin, read **Psalm 145**. Once finished, pray to open your time together.

Split into three or four mini-groups for Scripture and reflection (20 minutes).

In this message, Dan talked about being All In on the Kingdom of God. Take some time to debrief following Scriptures and questions:

- **Read Acts 20:24.** When Paul says, “I consider my life worth nothing to me...” Do you think that you could repeat Paul’s words in this verse and mean it? Why or why not?
- Later, Paul says, “My only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me – the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace,” what do you think he means when he talks of “finishing the race”? What do you think he means when he says his only aim is to finish the task that Jesus has given him?
- Would you say your only aim in life is to “finish the race” and “complete the task the Lord Jesus has given” you? What other aims or tasks might be competing for your attention, time, and energy?

After the allotted group time finished, have everyone come together to share their insights.

Re-group to share insights and go over the sermon (25 minutes).

- How did your group discussions go? What sorts of things rose to the surface from those conversations?
- How did this sermon about being All In on the Kingdom challenge you? What resonated with you?
- What, in your mind, does it mean to be “Kingdom focused?” What is God’s kingdom? Check out some passages like **Matthew 4:23-25; Mark 1:14-15; Mark 6:7-13, Acts 28:23-31** for some additional insight.



- In his sermon, Dan mentioned some ways we can be all in on God's kingdom: (1) It means we are fully committed to God's work; (2) It means we are fully committed to sharing the gospel with others; and (3) It means we are fully committed to serving God with our finances and resources. Which of these three comes most naturally? Which one could you stand to grow in?
- What would 1% more devotion to the Kingdom look like for you in your life, in your marriage, in your parenting, or in your friendships? How can this group help you grow in your devotion?

Split into gendered accountability groups (25 minutes).

Throughout this series, we'll create space each week to have accountability with one another. This will provide each person a more intimate, and hopefully, safer space to share where they might struggle with being All In on their family, marriage, God, or the Kingdom. Here are a few questions to guide this time after you separate into gendered groups:

- In what arenas or in what ways have you had to live out your commitment to God's Kingdom above other things recently?
- In what areas have you displayed a lack of commitment to the Kingdom? How do you feel about that?
- How is your relationship with God these days?
- Are there any barriers to living fully for God's Kingdom that you couldn't express to the large group that you'd like to share now?

Finish by praying over and for one another.

Come back as a large group and finish with intercessory prayer (10 minutes).

Like each week, finish your group session with prayer. You might designate someone in your group to write down everyone's prayer requests and then send them to the whole group for everyone to be praying about through the week.

- What is on your heart that you need prayer for?
- Who in your life needs prayer?

Have someone close in prayer.