

## LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Watch the video summary of the **December 21, 2014 Sermon** (3.5 minutes), "The Royal Christmas, Part 4." Please read the sermon passage (Psalm 110) together out loud.

### Sermon Outline:

AS OUR KING-PRIEST, CONSIDER . . .

1. **The Messiah's Royal Position** (1-3)
  - a. We like royalty mingling among us, not ruling over us.
  - b. God has placed Jesus Christ on a solitary, authoritative throne (Matthew 22:41-46)
2. **The Messiah's Perpetual Priesthood** (4)
  - a. Jesus (like Melchizedek) rules as priest and king from Jerusalem.
  - b. Priests of old had to be replaced, but Jesus' term has no end and he will never be replaced.
3. **The Messiah's final conquest** (5-7)
  - a. He will destroy every enemy (Psalm 72:9-11)
  - b. Jesus reigns over every earthly king and over all earthly powers.

### Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Based on #1, above: Many like to relegate Jesus to a position of honorary king. He wears a crown and has a palace, but he has been given no true authority in their lives. In what way have you tried to limit Christ's authority in some area of your life? Why is it so difficult to actually obey him in that area? What is your plan for submitting to him?
2. Based on #2, above: Because of the ongoing priestly ministry of Jesus, you are guaranteed access to God forever (in Christ). How has this access to God brought you peace, comfort, hope and privilege? Do you think the people around you can sense the peace, comfort and hope you have in Jesus? Why or why not?
3. Based on #2, above: Do you bring peace, comfort, hope and generosity to the people around you because you have it in Jesus? What would you have to change in order to bring it better?
4. Based on #3, above: Every enemy of God will be destroyed. In what way is this fuel for celebration and rejoicing? In what way does this truth trouble you? What people in your life right now need to see and hear the proclamation of Jesus' gospel? How can we pray for you to bring it to them?