

# A Kingdom Heart

Connect Group Guide - 7.20.25

## Opening Prayer

## Key Takeaways:

1. A kingdom leader is first and foremost a worshiper before a warrior.
2. True leadership in God's kingdom is about serving, not demanding titles.
3. Kingdom leaders walk in humility and obedience, confessing sins rather than making excuses.
4. Living with eternity in mind means focusing on God's legacy rather than our own popularity.
5. Our spiritual heartbeat needs to be in rhythm with God's to avoid chaos in our lives.

## Discussion Questions:

- Pastor Mike says, "Leadership in God's kingdom does not start with a title or position. It starts with a heart." How does this challenge our conventional understanding of leadership?
- Reflect on the statement: "The kingdom leader is first and foremost a worshiper before they are a warrior." How might prioritizing worship change our approach to challenges and conflicts?
- The message mentions that "Kingdom leaders don't demand titles. They take up towels." Can you think of examples in your life where you've seen this kind of servant leadership in action?
- How do you balance living in the "here and now" with keeping eternity in mind? What challenges do you face in maintaining this perspective?
- Pastor Mike talks about preparing for the next generation, even if we don't see the full results ourselves. How can we apply this principle in our personal lives, families, or workplaces?
- The message emphasizes the importance of having our spiritual heartbeat in rhythm with God's. What practices help you stay in sync with God's heartbeat?

## Practical Applications:

1. **Servant Leadership Challenge:** This week, look for opportunities to serve others without recognition. Reflect on how this impacts your perspective on leadership.
2. **Eternity Check:** Before making significant decisions this week, pause and ask yourself, "How does this align with God's eternal purposes?"
3. **Heart Rhythm Assessment:** Set aside time daily to "check your rhythm" with God through prayer, worship, or Bible study. Note any areas where you feel out of sync.
4. **Legacy Planning:** Consider one way you can invest in the next generation this month, whether through mentoring, teaching, or supporting a youth-focused ministry.
5. **Confession Practice:** If you make a mistake this week, resist the urge to make excuses. Instead, practice humble confession to God and others when appropriate.

## Closing Prayer:

Thank God for His desire to shape our hearts for His kingdom. Ask for His help in surrendering our lives fully to His will and living with eternity in mind.