## The King's Road: The Revelation of the King

Re: GROUP

# Small Group Discussion Questions – Matthew 1:18–25, Joseph's Crisis of Belief

#### **Getting Started**

- 1. When you face a crisis, do you tend to act quickly, wait it out, or seek counsel before making a decision? Share a recent example.
- 2. Think back to Joseph's situation—what emotions do you imagine he felt when Mary told him she was pregnant?

### **Digging Into Scripture**

- 3. Read Matthew 1:18–19. Joseph was described as a "just man." What do you think that means in light of his decision to quietly divorce Mary?
- 4. How does Joseph's response to being "bumped" (using the cup illustration) challenge or encourage you about what comes out of your own life when you're under pressure?
- 5. Read Matthew 1:20–23. Why do you think God reminded Joseph of his identity as "son of David" before giving him instructions? What does that tell us about how God speaks to us in our own crises?
- 6. "Immanuel" means "God with us." How does that truth connect Joseph's crisis to our own struggles today?

### **Applying the Word**

7. In a crisis, what helps you move from fear and confusion to faith and obedience?
8. Joseph obeyed God even though it meant social shame and misunderstanding (Matt. 1:24–25). Where might God be calling you to trust Him despite what others might think?
9. Have you ever experienced God turning a personal crisis into a deeper opportunity for faith? Share with the group if you're comfortable.

## **Prayer Together**

- Thank God for being "with us" in every situation.
- Pray for one another's current or recent crises—that each person would hear
   God's voice clearly and respond with faith like Joseph.
- Ask for strength to reflect Christ well, so that what comes out when we're "bumped" will honor Him.