

**“Jesus The Messiah-King”
First Sunday of Advent November 28, 2021**

**The Messiah Came As A _____ King
Isaiah 53:7-12**

**The Messiah Leads As A _____ King
Philippians 2:5-11**

**The Messiah Gives As A _____ King
Isaiah 42:1-8**

Next Steps For Next Week:

The word “Messiah” literally means “The Anointed One.” The Jewish people had a long history of waiting for God to send the Messiah to carry out the special mission of redemption and liberation. But what most people missed was this wasn’t redemption & liberation from physical oppressors (like the Babylonians, the Assyrians or the Romans). God wanted to redeem and liberate people from the oppression of sin. And so, Jesus the Messiah didn’t come as a conquering king, but as a humble servant.

Monday: **Read Isaiah 53:1-6** How do you see this “Messianic Prophecy” in the life of Jesus? Why did most of the people misunderstand what God wanted the Messiah to do? Do you think this is still a problem in our day and age?

Tuesday: **Read Isaiah 53:7-12** What are the words used to describe the Messiah in this chapter? How does this description challenge you in your own understanding of Jesus as God’s Anointed One? How do this challenge you in your own suffering?

Wednesday: **Read Philippians 2:1-4** Christians consider Jesus to be the Messiah. In verse 1, Paul lists 4 different “Ifs” Christians experience. What are they? Verses 2-4 explain the “Then...” or what our lives should look like when we experience the fullness of Christ. What are the results of being united with Christ?

Thursday: **Read Philippians 2:5-11** Whose “mindset” should motivate us in our relationships with each other? What was the mindset of Christ Jesus? What were the results of Jesus’ obedience? Where is God calling you to be a “servant?”

Friday: **Read Isaiah 42:1-8** How is the Messiah described and identified in this passage? What is the scope of the work of the Messiah?

Saturday: **Read John 1:29-34** How does John identify Jesus fulfilling the prophecy from Isaiah 42?

Sunday: **Read Matthew 5:13-16** As followers of Jesus, what is our role and responsibility in our own communities? What can you do to be salt & light to those you interact with during the day... especially during this Advent Season?