



BEHOLD

Week 2

BREAKING THE ICE

What's the best Christmas gift you have ever received?

Who is someone that God placed in your life as a mentor that you didn't expect?

MAIN CONTENT

This week Pastor Kevin continued the Behold Series talking about King Jesus' arrival. He started the message by telling a story about looking for a hero instead of a pastor.

1. Where have you made someone a hero in your life and been disappointed in them when they made mistakes?

True leadership is when someone puts others above themselves and is humble. When you see a great leader, you see glimpses of Jesus in them.

2. Who has been a good leader in your life? What made them a good leader?

When we look for a hero we will be disappointed because nobody's perfect. Sin is inevitable and people will let you down.

Pastor Kevin shared some scripture about the kings in the Old Testament. The people thought these kings would change things and make things for the better. These kings failed and people were let down. But there is one king that will never let you down. He will always listen, He is powerful and everlasting. He is the Prince of Peace and will give you His peace.

3. How has Jesus led you when other leaders have failed?

When Jesus came into this world there was an earthly king named Herod. Herod was a very powerful king. Herod was about himself, while Jesus served others. Herod was insulated, while Jesus was vulnerable. Herod was fearful, while Jesus had peace.

Read Luke 4:16-21

In this scripture, it was revealed Jesus is the King they were promised. The people had to decide if Jesus was their king or if their king was Herod. It's up to us to make Jesus the king of our life, not a consultant we check in with when it's convenient.

4. In what areas of your life do you need to choose Jesus as king and not just another consultant in your life?

Jesus did more for people than the earthly kings ever can. When we chose to follow Him, He changes our lives for the better. He believes in His followers, giving us peace, joy and hope. He continues to build His kingdom in us and through us.

5. How can we continue to build Jesus' kingdom instead of an earthly kingdom as Herod did?

Jesus' kingdom continued on, but Herod's kingdom wasted away because it was based on earthly things that did not last. Jesus' kingdom continues on through us as we love and care for others. Every day we have the opportunity to share His hope with others.

6. Who can you share the hope of Jesus with this Advent season?

We can all do our part when it comes to sharing the hope of Jesus. We can invite our friends and family to join us at church and hear the good news of Jesus' arrival. We can partner with organizations that specifically reach out to the poor, imprisoned and physically impaired to hear the good news about Jesus.

As a church, we commit to continually building His kingdom by partnering with organizations that share the hope of Jesus with those who need it. To learn more about end-of-the-year giving and sharing the hope of Jesus go [HERE](#).

CLOSING PRAYER

God thank you that your kingdom continues to live on through us. Will you please show us where we are living for our kingdom instead of yours? Will you show us who we can invite to be a part of your kingdom? Will you please give us the boldness to step out in faith and do things for you? Please help us live out your kingdom in everything we do and say. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ACTION STEP

+ Invite someone to join you for our Christmas Eve services at Cross Point. Go to: <https://crosspoint.tv/christmas/> to find out more.

+ Pray and ask God where He would have you build His kingdom this Advent season. That could be using your time and talents serving locally or in your financial giving.

+ Jump into the Behold Advent Devotional with us at any time between now and Christmas Day for free as we anticipate celebrating the arrival of King Jesus.