**This, is our King**

**Week 5: Matthew 27:15-23**

Beginning Truths:

1. The **holiness** of God.
   1. God is **sovereign** over all things.
   2. God is **righteous** in everything that he does.
   3. God’s **wrath** must punish sin.
   4. God offered us immeasurable **love** and **grace**.
2. The **sinfulness** of man.
   1. We **denounced** his sovereignty.
   2. We **despised** his righteousness.
   3. We **disregarded** his wrath.
   4. We **denied** his love and grace.

The Mystery of the Gospel:

* How can a **sinful** man be right before a **holy** God?
  + God’s forgiveness of sin is a direct threat to his **character**.
    - The cross is for God’s **justification** and Christ’s **glorification**.

Setting the Scene:

* Barabbas
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This is our king…

* Jesus **died** our **death**.
* Jesus **endured** our **condemnation**.
  + The **people** didn’t set Barabbas free.
  + He **diverted** our **deserved** wrath.
* Jesus **suffered** our **separation**.
  + The **gospel** is Jesus setting us free.

Closing Thoughts:

* Our biggest issue is believing the **gospel**.
* We are no match for the powers of **hell**.
  + There is only one **Messiah**.