

LESSONS FROM THE KING

Pre-message exhortation:
Acts 16:24-25: So the jailer put them into the inner dungeon and clamped their feet in the stocks. Around midnight Paul and Silas were praying and signing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening.”

During the forty days after He [Jesus] suffered and died, He appeared to the apostles from time to time, and He proved to them in many ways that He was actually alive. And He talked to them about the Kingdom of God. Acts 1:3 (NLT)

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He said, “Then you see how every student well-trained in God’s kingdom is like the owner of a general store who can put his hands on anything you need, old or new, exactly when you need it.”

Matthew 13:52 (MSG)

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O God, whom I praise,
don't stand silent and aloof
while the wicked slander me
and tell lies about me. Psalm 109:1-2

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But to the Son He says, “Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. You rule with a scepter of justice.
9 You love justice and hate evil. Therefore, O God, your God has anointed You, pouring out the oil of joy on you more than on anyone else.”

Hebrews 1:8-9 (NLT)

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- All His ways are just-Deut. 32:4
- He loves justice-Psalm 11:7
- He upholds the cause of the oppressed-Psalm 146:7
- He will be exalted by His justice-Isaiah 5:15
- He is compassionate towards victims-Psalm 10:14
- He will execute judgement with equity-Psalm 9:8

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But if we would examine ourselves, we would not be judged by God in this way. 32 Yet when we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned along with the world.

1 Corinthians 11:31-32

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For we must all stand before Christ to be judged.
We will each receive whatever we deserve for
the good or evil we have done in this earthly
body. 2 Corinthians 5:10

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Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say,
“I will take revenge;
I will pay them back,”
says the LORD.

Romans 12:19

1 Samuel 24: David cuts Saul's robe.

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“You have heard the law that says the punishment must match the injury: ‘An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.’ 39 But I say, do not resist an evil person! If someone slaps you on the right cheek, offer the other cheek also. Matthew 5:38-39

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²⁰ Instead,

“If your enemies are hungry, feed them.

If they are thirsty, give them something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap

burning coals of shame on their heads.”

Romans 12:20

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²¹ Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good.

Romans 12:21

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But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who
persecute you! Matthew 5:44

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So the LORD must wait for you to come to Him
so He can show you His love and compassion.

For the LORD is a faithful God.

Blessed are those who wait for His help.

¹⁹ O people of Zion, who live in Jerusalem,
you will weep no more.

He will be gracious if you ask for help.

He will surely respond to the sound
of your cries. Isaiah 30:18-19

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