

ON EARTH

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# Kingdom

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How we doing, Bold YTH MVMT?!

We are excited to jump into PART ONE of KINGDOM, a TWO PART SERIES that will span the next few months. We want to do this series together as we dare to believe God for the expansion of His Kingdom through us!

As you lean into this study, ask the Lord to give you a burden for the announcement of this Good News which is: salvation is available because the Kingdom is HERE! Allow these lessons to speak to your heart first, and from there, communicate them with passion!

We cannot wait to hear the testimonies that come out of this first part of the series. We believe that knowing who Jesus truly is, what His Kingdom is actually like, and how accessible this is for every believer, we will see all students walk in the life, family, and purpose Jesus has to offer!

Here are your essentials for this series:

- Prayer
- Your Bible
- This Catalog
- Your Squad

That's it. Are you ready? Let's get it!

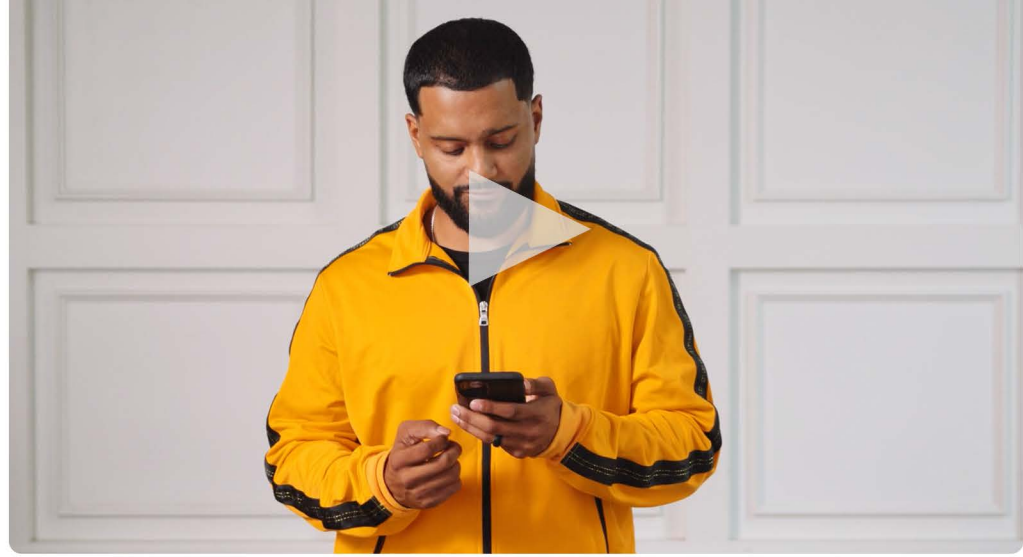
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# Power Source

**“Jesus replied, “If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask me, and I would give you living water.”**

**“But sir, you don’t have a rope or a bucket,” she said, “and this well is very deep. Where would you get this living water?... Jesus replied, “Anyone who drinks this water will soon become thirsty again.”**

**John 4:10, 11, 13**



## INTRODUCTION

There are accounts in scripture where people were deeply affected by another biblical character in a way that marked them. The queen of Sheba, when she met Solomon, was amazed at his God-given wisdom. When people met Christ, however, their whole lives seemed to be transformed.

The account we are going to look at is the Samaritan woman. Her account brought an entire city to the saving knowledge of Jesus.

### 1. Supernatural Power

**“Jesus replied, “If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask me, and I would give you living water.””**

- Jesus has power you don’t know about. It goes beyond your understanding or reasoning.
- We can’t get this water through natural means or worldly systems. When you find it, it has Supernatural, Kingdom benefits (never thirst again).

### 2. Supernatural King

**“The woman said, “I know the Messiah is coming—the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.” Then Jesus told her, “I Am the Messiah!””**

- “Messiah” means anointed one. She was seeking an anointed king.
- Jesus said “ I Am the messiah”. Jesus was saying the king you are looking for is here. He said “ I Am”. He meant He’s the King from Heaven.

### 3. Supernatural Transformation

**“Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not just because of what you told us, but because we have heard him ourselves. Now we know that he is indeed the Savior of the world.”**

**Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus because the woman had said,**

**“He told me everything I ever did!””**

- The woman was changed. She went from being an ashamed lady hiding from her town, getting water in the middle of the day (they usually go early to escape heat), to running into that town WITHOUT WATER (she left her jar), telling them about the LIVING WATER.
- The people, once they saw Him for themselves, believed in Him. She helped bring transformation to an entire city. This transformation could only come from encountering Christ Jesus.

## CONCLUSION

The King is Here.

Kings are anointed usually by the people of their town.

This King, Jesus, was anointed by the Holy Spirit!

When we all encounter Him, we are changed forever.

The woman, who was changed by Jesus, couldn’t change her town! She was, however, transformed into a woman with no shame, and she could point her town to the One who could save! She was no longer sustained by a temporary source. She was connected to a supernatural source that would change and fill her forever.

## QUESTIONS

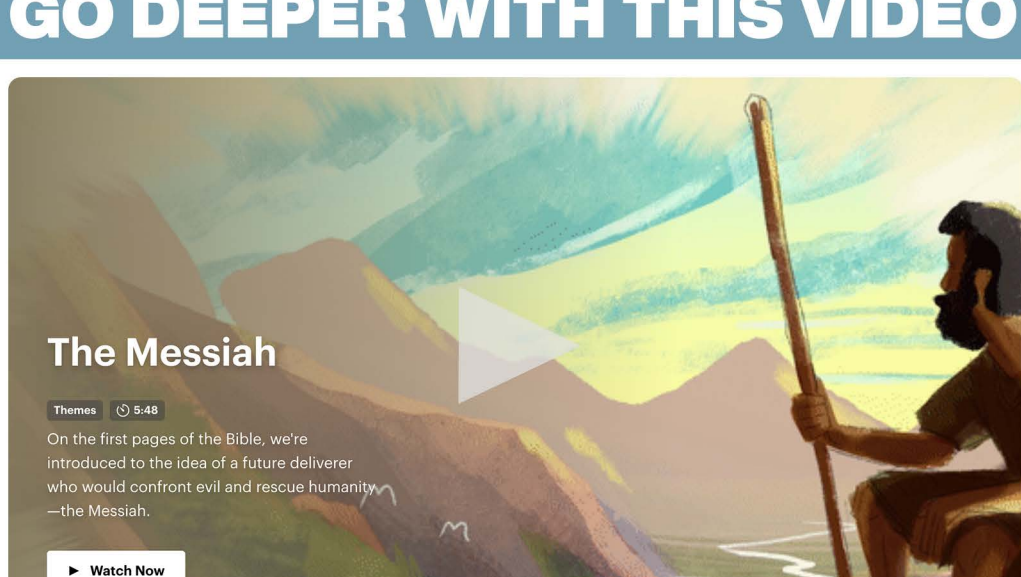
### HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Jesus had the kind of “power” that would make people forget their problems; like the woman at the well leaving the water behind to go and tell others about Jesus. What are some things in our life that, when we think about it, really don’t matter when compared to Jesus?
2. What has Jesus done for you, that you can share with others?

### JR. HIGH:

1. Why do you think the woman at the well forgot her water when she ran to tell others about Jesus?
2. When did you become a follower of Jesus? What did you become one?
3. Have you ever told anyone why you became a Christian?

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# Winning with Words

**“In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.”**

**John 1:1-4**



## INTRODUCTION

It's been said that your words carry weight; your words have power. Jesus took that to a completely different level. In fact, He is the Word. He was and is the most perfect illustration of words and the weight they carry. The various words we are studying together are words He spoke. Those words have carried His purpose to completion.

### 1. His Word Creates

**“God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him.”**

- Jesus was present from the beginning. He was speaking even then. His Kingdom has always been and will always be, because of His Word; His authority.
- The enemy cannot create with his words. He manipulates. In Genesis, the serpent in the garden tricked Adam and Eve by manipulating the words of God. We must be careful to stay close to Christ and His word (the Bible) so we can know it and not be tricked!

### 2. His Word Gives Life

**“The Word gave life to everything that was created...”**

- Jesus spoke to so many situations that seemed hopeless, and brought life. He gave a word to a soldier that his child would be healed, and they were! He spoke to Peter to fish in a seemingly empty sea, and their nets couldn't hold the fish when they obeyed.
- When King Jesus speaks, we listen! Several of His miracles involved a dialogue between Jesus and the afflicted ones. He would ask, “Do you want to be made whole?” or, “What would you like me to do for you?” It was when they engaged with His life giving words that they received the miracle!

### 3. His Word Shines Bright

**“...his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.”**

- Jesus' life brings light! Darkness cannot overcome the light that He brings. When we come to Christ, we are able to see clearly. All the darkness and confusion are pushed away by the light.
- Darkness and death are paired together in scripture some of the time. Lazarus, a friend of Jesus, had died, and all thought he was lost. His sisters gave up hope that Jesus could help. However, as dark as death was no match for the Light of Christ. The same Word that spoke creation out of existence called Lazarus out of the grave.

## CONCLUSION

When Jesus speaks, worlds are formed, hurts are healed and dead are raised. There is no limit to what his Word can accomplish. In fact, His word is just as powerful today as it was when it was written. The enemy likes to try to manipulate the word and make us think that hope is gone. Darkness likes to try to creep in. It is no match for Jesus. If we, like the stories in scripture we referenced, partner and engage with Christ's words, we will not be defeated. We will reap the fruit of the seed of His word.

## QUESTIONS

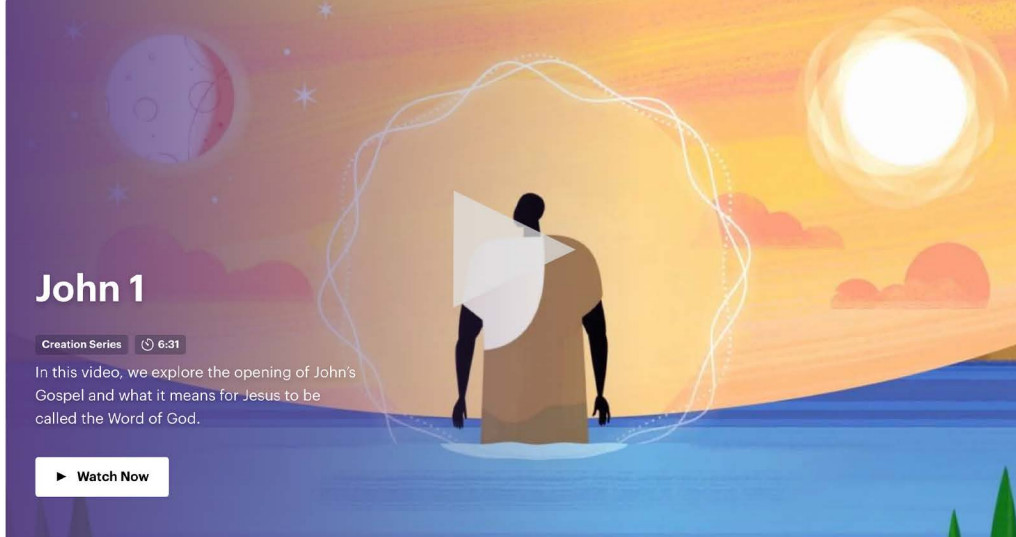
### HIGH SCHOOL:

1. It was mentioned in our lesson that His word creates. How is it important for even us to speak words that create and give life?
2. Has there ever been a moment where you've heard a scripture, and a “light bulb” went off? Or you understood something that you never knew before?
3. Why do you think it's important to know or understand that Jesus' words are true, and the enemy only tries to manipulate His words?

### JR. HIGH:

1. Did you know that your words have power too?
2. The Bible says that life and death is in the power of the tongue. What do you think that means?
3. Jesus' words are the truth! We should know His word by reading the scriptures. What are some benefits of knowing the Bible?

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# Gatekeeper

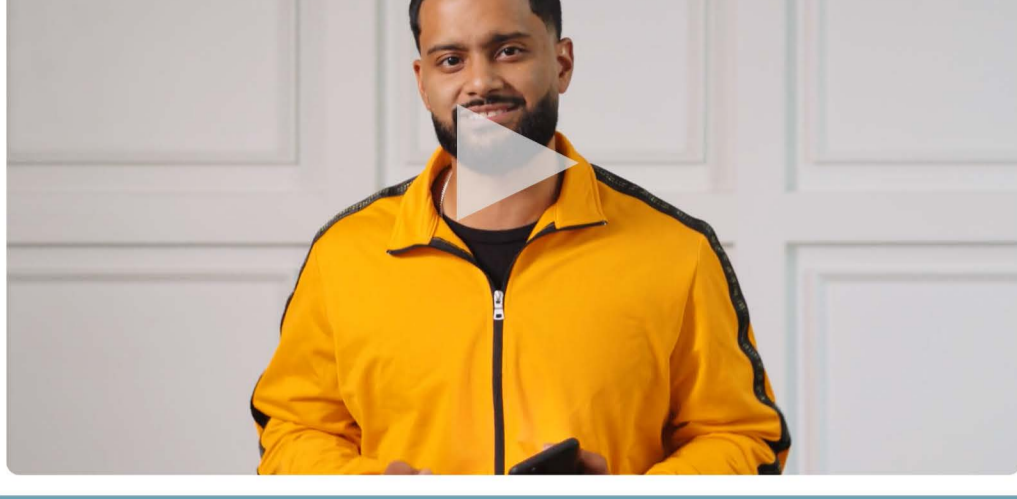
**“Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God.”**

**“What do you mean?” exclaimed Nicodemus.**

**“How can an old man go back into his mother’s womb and be born again?” Jesus replied, “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit.**

**Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life.”**

**John 3:3-6**



## INTRODUCTION

When we read this conversation, we see a man named Nicodemus who has a private audience with Jesus! Nicodemus was a priest at the time who actually led the people of Israel to seek after God and to pray for their Messiah to come and deliver them. Kind of wild, right?

Obviously, Nicodemus being a priest informs us of a few things. He probably knew the spiritual condition of the people he was overseeing. He probably also understood how to pray according to the Jewish tradition, how to behave according to the laws, and a laundry list of other rituals that he hoped would bring himself and the people closer to God. However, when Jesus begins to share with Nicodemus what the kingdom of God is actually like, it seems to confuse him.

Is it possible that his religious traditions steered him further from God, making it harder to see the Messiah right in front of Him? Jesus makes it clear that the Kingdom of God does not happen the way we think it does. There is an order that comes from above and not from man.

## 1. Kingdom Access

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**“What do you mean?” exclaimed Nicodemus.**

**“How can an old man go back into his mother’s womb and be born again?””**

- Nicodemus, and maybe us, can sometimes be in a place where the things of God are so foreign to us. We are trained to see and think certain ways because of our past experiences, etc.
- Jesus goes on to tell Nicodemus that you “can’t explain how someone is born of the Spirit”. Sounds like faith, right? If you are going to tap into the Kingdom of God, you’ll have to let go of your understanding. That’s where faith comes in.

## 2. Kingdom Understanding

**“Jesus replied, “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life.”**

- Your understanding of what it means to be in the kingdom is only half-way. As a human, we have been created to experience life, but to “have it to the fullest”, as Jesus said, something else needs to take place.
- When we are met with the reality of something more than this temporary “water” existence, we have a choice to stay back or step into “Living Water”.

## 3. Kingdom Order

**““For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.”**

- Faith. That’s it. It’s that simple. All we need to do is believe. It’s not confusing, or difficult.
- Jesus said we have to have faith like a child, which is so backwards in most people’s understanding. I’m almost certain that was Nicodemus’s hang-up (or at least one). The rules that they had to abide by as members of their religion had multiplied to hundreds! We always think we have to ascend to this certain level, but really we just need to fall at Jesus feet and just believe.

## CONCLUSION

Jesus is a King of order, and not confusion. In John 2, we find Jesus clearing out a temple of worship from all of its clutter, because the leaders of that day had turned it into “a den of thieves”.

He also healed several peoples who’s physical bodies were gone into disarray, bringing order to even their bodies! Also when He died and rose from the grave, He went out of His way to help the disciples to not doubt that He was alive, and that He did accomplish what He set out to do. So we should allow Jesus to come in and clear out our hearts! Maybe, like the leaders of that day, we’ve cheapened worship to make it easy for us, instead of giving the Lord our best! Maybe we’ve allowed doubt to creep in and steal the hope that Jesus can heal our brokenness? Maybe we had no idea how simple it is just to believe?

Whatever it is, King Jesus can bring order to our lives! When we allow Him to do it, that’s when we become whole and are tapping into our potential as His people!

## QUESTIONS

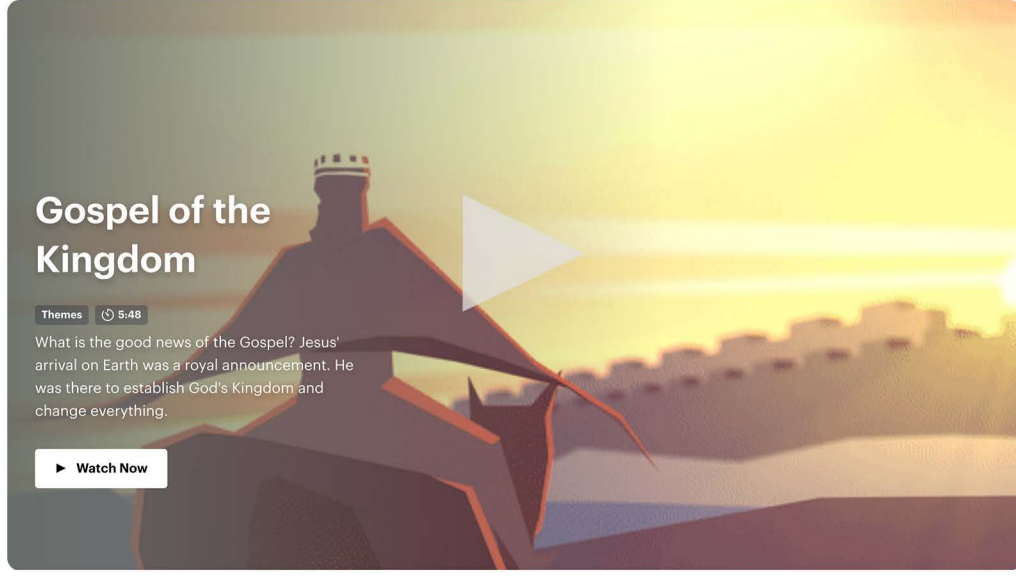
### HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Do you find that your past experience has shaped the way you see the world around you? How?
2. Based on Jesus conversation with Nicodemus, how can he receive spiritual life? (Vs. 6)
3. What do you think is so different about Jesus coming to die for His people compared to other kings? Why was it important for Him to lay down His life?

### JR. HIGH:

1. When you think about being a Christian, what do you think it means?
2. What are some ways that we can know Jesus better?
3. Jesus came to lay down His life for us. Why do you think that is important?

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**“I tell you the truth, whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven. I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them.”**

**Matthew 18:18-20**



## INTRODUCTION

This time of the semester is always the best!  
This time next week, we are going to be together and experience Jesus as one big family again!

We’ve talked through how Jesus, our King is here!  
We don’t have to look for Him! He has come to the earth and laid down His life for us, so that we could live!  
We also talked about how His word has power!  
When Jesus speaks, things happen. His word, like a seed, goes down deep into our hearts and brings a tree with fruit in our life. Finally, we’ve discussed how the order of the Kingdom is not something that our thinking can conjure up!  
We have to go to Jesus with faith like a child and trust Him to help us thrive in His Kingdom.

So as we approach this week, why don’t we consider what Jesus has done for us, the church today?

The stories that we have read show Jesus present in the moment (then). But what about today? Is He able to manifest Himself now? What about next week at Bold Night? Let’s dive into our text, and see what we find!

## 1. Here on Earth

**Jesus said to the disciples that if they agree on something here and ask, they will have it. The Kingdom of Heaven has an authority that has been given to people on earth.**

- In the previous verse, Jesus shows that as they forbid and loose, the same is done in Heaven. There is a connection between Heaven and Earth, and His name is King Jesus. He has given them authority.

## 2. Where we Gather

**When the people of God gather together, it is a powerful thing.**

- Coming together as “one body” is a MUST. When the early Christians came together under persecution, it would literally be a smaller gathering. Jesus makes it clear that as long as we are together in His name, something happens. That Kingdom connection is made.

## 3. I am There

**Jesus actually unlocks something here that is paramount for us as believers. He is here when we gather!**

- We should always want to be together with other believers. The scriptures back this up (Heb. 10:25).
- Jesus comes when we come together! We have all that we need as a people when the King Himself is there with us! When we come together, let's not be like the children of Israel in those days. Let us be aware that He is here with us!

## CONCLUSION

King Jesus has made Heaven come to earth!  
He is the connection! He also clues us in that we are a part of His Kingdom! The things that Heaven has we can have here, also. While we are here on Earth, we can come together as believers and see great and awesome things as we believe and agree together “concerning anything” we ask in His name! How is this possible? YES! He said that when we come together HE IS HERE! Heaven has come to Earth, and it’s Jesus!

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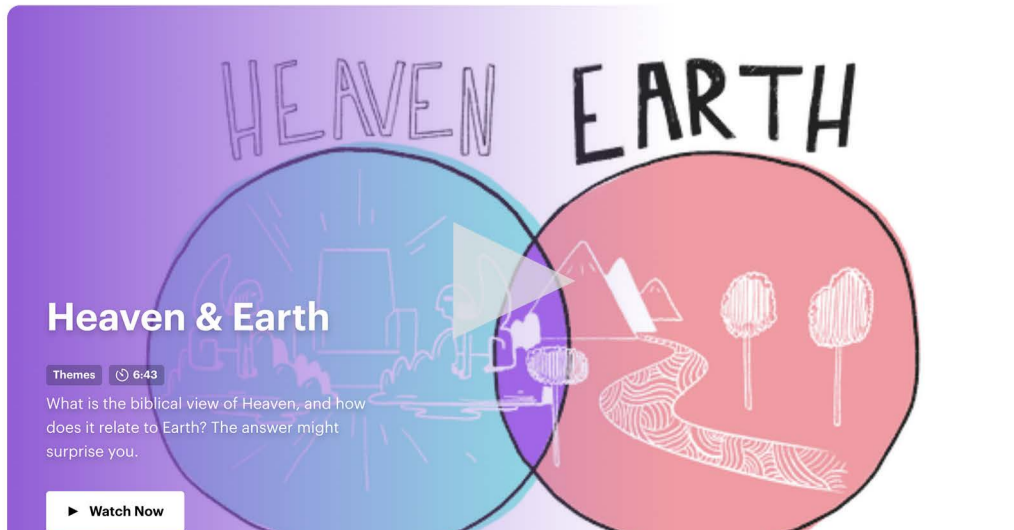
## HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Does it surprise you that Jesus would want His disciples to have authority in His kingdom?
2. Why is it important that we gather together?
3. What can ask God for in your own life to help you with?

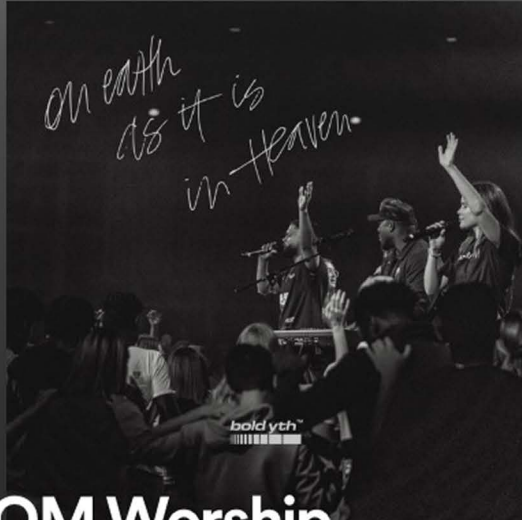
## JR. HIGH:

1. Do you think that Jesus wants you to come together at church? Why?
2. Are there other ways that we can be together and not be in the church building?
3. What can we pray about together? Do you believe that Jesus wants to answer our prayer?

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