

# **21 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING**

*with Second Baptist Church of Doylestown*

**DAY 3 - SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

## **The King of the Kingdom**

### **Matthew 21:1-11**

**Reflection:** One of the main characteristics of a kingdom is that it must have a king. The King is the central component of a kingdom and embodies the essence of the kingdom. The king is the ultimate source of authority in the kingdom and through this authority establishes the kingdom. The sovereignty of the king is inherent in His royal authority.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6) In the first gospel, Matthew presents to us Christ as the King, the One who at His first coming over two thousand years ago came in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. The world in general did not and does not know Him, nor will it accept Him; but to those to whom the heavenly Father reveals the Son, this Jesus of Nazareth is the Anointed One of God. And hence the purpose of the King's coming to the world, as is shown by Mathew, is to gather to himself a people in whom by the Spirit of God He can build a kingdom that is not of this world but which is of heaven. (John 18:36)

We learn from the Parable of the Ten Minas (Luke 19) that the world crucified Him because they said, "We don't want this man to be our king". What distinguishes us from the world is that we have accepted His kingship over our lives. Hence, we worship, bow to Him, surrender our lives to Him and obey Him because we accepted Him as our king.

- 1. Worship Jesus because He is the king over your life, and He is merciful, wonderful and gracious. Psalm 25:10**
- 2. Worship Him because His Kingdom does not cease, but His kingdom reigns forever and we are going to reign with Him. Psalm 146:10**
- 3. Ask that God will give you a fresh revelation of the kingship of Jesus. Philippians 2:10**
- 4. Ask Him to come and occupy the throne of your life. Ask Him to be king over your life, in your home and in your finances.**
- 5. Pray that every problem and challenges in your life will bow to the Lordship and kingship of Jesus. Philippians 2:10**
- 6. Pray for grace to know God more; to know His Lordship, His kingship, His power. Philippians 3:10**
- 7. Pray that the Holy Spirit will help you grasp how wide and long and high and deep the love of Christ is, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge.**
- 8. Pray that through the knowledge of His love, you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**