



“Leadership that Leads to Life”

November 21

Discussion Questions

1. Name a contemporary political leader that you admire and why. What makes a good leader?
2. Why was Jesus a threat to both the religious and political leadership structures of the day? What do you make of Pilates questioning of Jesus?
3. When Jesus talks about his kingdom not being of this world, what is he referencing and why might that still infuriate the religious and political leaders of the day?
4. Jenny outlined three options to choose from when we look for leaders. Talk through options 1 and 2 and how they relate to your own desire for a leader.
5. The way we choose earthly kings is through violence. Jesus is a King who lays down his life for us. In what ways does the kingship of Jesus bring us life - both practically and spiritually?

John 18: 33-38

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters^{ἄστυ} again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴ Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” ³⁵ Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶ Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷ Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” ³⁸ Pilate asked him, “What is truth?”

Jesus Sentenced to Death

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, “I find no case against him.