**WEEK 7 | 1 SAMUEL 31 – 2 SAMUEL 7 | GOD’S PROMISE & FAITHFULNESS**

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What does it mean to you that someone is faithful in keeping a promise? Discuss how it feels when someone keeps a promise vs. when they don’t.

Read 2 Samuel 7:8-17

* What did God promise to David? And to Israel?
* How did Solomon fulfill this covenant? (see 1 Kings 6:11-14, 8:20)
* How does Jesus ultimately fulfill this covenant? (see Jeremiah 23:5-6, Isaiah 9:6-8, Luke 1:30-33, and Acts 13:30-39)
* How has this promise come all the way down to us?
* How does knowing God has kept this most significant promise affect your faith?

Read Matthew 1:17, 9:27-31, and 21:1-17

* Why was Jesus’ genealogy important to Matthew (and Luke)?
* What do you think the blind men were thinking when they referred to Jesus as “Son of David”? What significance did this term carry?
* What do you think the crowd was thinking as they shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David!”? Why were the religious leaders upset by this?

Read Luke 20:41-44 and Acts 2:22-36

Many of the Jews, including religious leaders, were looking for a Messiah who would restore Israel’s kingdom under David.

* What point is Jesus trying to get across?
* What is Peter saying about Jesus?
* Jesus was focused God’s Kingdom which is far greater than any physical/political kingdom, even Israel under David, and He is the new and greater King of kings!