

## **Sermon Discussion Questions: Numbers 214-25**

**July 29th 2018**

1. What in the sermon encouraged you, comforted you, challenged you, or informed you?
2. Too often the church has been characterized by a conflict between the church and the physical world, the church and our present political structure, or the church and the culture. Read Ephesians 2:1-4. How does realizing that the true nature of our conflict is between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of darkness and the rebellion of Satan shape the way we pray and act in these different spheres of life in this world? How might this keep us from outright rejection of politics, culture, and the physical world around us?
3. Read Numbers 24:17-19. We live now in between the coming of the King to die on the cross and the coming of the king to fully renew the world under his rule. This means that the renewing power of the King's resurrection has already broken into the world, but has not fully arrived and not yet fully renewed the world. How does this shape our expectation of renewal in the present and cultivate patience for the future?
4. How does Isaiah 9:6-7 further clarify the identity of this future king who conquers and what is the goal of his conquering? Why must this king be more than a mere man?
5. Read Psalm 96. Spend some time adoring the Coming King in prayer. Use Psalm 96 as a guide for your prayer, emphasizing his rule and his reign among the nations. I encourage you to pray that specific nations and people groups will come to saving faith in King Jesus who reigns, establishes this world, and judges the peoples with equity (Psalm 96:10).