1. <u>Launcher</u>: When have you forgotten something that was of the utmost importance to you? What was it like when you realized you had lost it and what was it like when you found it?

2. Worship God – Psalm 2:7-12

Praise the Lord for His Love of all things righteous and good. Give Him thanks for His patience in dealing with sinners like us, and then rejoice that one day, He will end evil and sin for good.

3. <u>Sermon Reflection: "The Urgency of True Repentance"</u>

Review and Highlight

- How would you describe the process the Israelites are in? What does it mean to "learn" to be God's people?
- How can a good God order the destruction and killing of the Amalekites?
- R.C. Sproul described verse 29 as God's version of "baby talk." What did he mean by this? What does this show us?

The Kingdom Torn Away

- What do we see Saul do in this story? How does he blatantly disobey?
- What is so fraudulent about Saul's repentance?
- Why is it good news that God cannot be "manipulated by religion"? What does it mean that God is concerned with the substance of who we are?

The True Kingdom

- What were the 6 ingredients from the puritan Thomas Watson? Which one resonated or convicted you the most?
- Why is David's psalm of repentance (Psalm 51) so profound and rich?
- Where is there so much joy in a "life of repentance"?

4. Kingdom Centered Prayer: You Can Pray with Us

- 1. Praise the Lord for His Love of all things righteous and good. Give Him thanks for His patience in dealing with sinners like us, and then rejoice that one day, He will end evil and sin for good.
- 2. Where can you repent about your lack of joyful repentance? Where do you need Christian repentance that leads to joyful obedience to the Lord?
- 3. Give Jesus thanks that he loved obedience to His Father. Ponder how obedience was the great delight of Jesus' life, and we have a secured eternity because of His love of obedience.
- 4. Pray for someone in your life who is missing out on enjoying intimacy with the Lord. Pray that they see the beauty of repentance and obedience as the daily call on our life.
- 5. Pray for ways the Holy Spirit is prompting you to deep repentance more and more. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you new desires to get out of your own way so you can worship the Lord all your life.
- 5. <u>Mission:</u> Our mission as Christians is to repent and turn towards Jesus with humble hearts all the days of our lives. Acknowledging our own lack, along with His abundance.