

## The Trials of a King

April 6, 2025 – Chapter Twelve  
Adult Bible Class

### Chapter 12: The Essence of the Gospel

#### Four Key Theologies

1. \_\_\_\_\_

Key components:

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

*When desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.*

James 1:15

Sin is an \_\_\_\_\_ . Sin is evil \_\_\_\_\_ .



*We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.*

2 Corinthians 10:5

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Forgiveness that's conditional isn't forgiveness at all; it's just \_\_\_\_\_ .

*I assure you, those who listen to my message and believe in God who sent me have eternal life. They will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from death into life.*

John 5:24

*So we praise God for the wonderful kindness he has poured out on us because we belong to his dearly loved Son. He is so rich in kindness that he purchased our freedom through the blood of his Son, and our sins are forgiven.*

Ephesians 1:6-7

*So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. For the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you through Christ Jesus from the power of sin that leads to death.*

Romans 8:1-2

*Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? Will God? No! He is the one who has given us right standing with himself.*

Romans 8:33

*For all have sinned; all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet now God in his gracious kindness declares us not guilty. He has done this through Christ Jesus, who has freed us by taking away our sins. For God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins and to satisfy God's anger against us. We are made right with God when we believe that Jesus shed his blood, sacrificing his life for us...our acquittal is not based on our good deeds. It is based on our faith.*

Romans 3:23-25,27b

3. \_\_\_\_\_

*When I refused to confess my sin, I was weak and miserable, and I groaned all day long. Day and night your hand of discipline was heavy on me. My strength evaporated like water in the summer heat. Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide them. I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the LORD." And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone.*

Psalms 32:3-5

*To confess your sins to God is not to tell Him anything He doesn't already know. Until you confess your sins, however, they are the abyss between you. When you confess them, they become the bridge.*

—Frederick Buechner

*If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.*

John 1:8-10

Confession is \_\_\_\_\_ with God about your sin and \_\_\_\_\_ His perspective of it.

*"Lord, you are in the right; but our faces are covered with shame, just as you see us now. This is true of us all, including the people of Judah and Jerusalem and all Israel, scattered near and far, wherever you have driven us because of our disloyalty to you. O LORD, we and our kings, princes, and ancestors are covered with shame because we have sinned against you. But the Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him."*

Daniel 9:7-9

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Consequences are what we live with in this world to remind us of \_\_\_\_\_.

*And have you entirely forgotten the encouraging words God spoke to you, his children? He said, "My child, don't ignore it when the Lord disciplines you, and don't be discouraged when he corrects you. For the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes those he accepts as his children." As you endure this divine discipline, remember that God is treating you as his own children. Whoever heard of a child who was never disciplined? If God doesn't discipline you as he does all of his children, it means that you are illegitimate and are not really his children after all.*

Hebrews 12:5-8

### Today's Equipping Point:

**Build \_\_\_\_\_ around yourself.**

### Discussion Questions

1. Be honest: Where is the pattern of sin hardest to resist in your life?
2. What inescapable consequences do you still live with?
3. Starting today, what will you do to be more intentional about confession?



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