

CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements
Week of 10/18/20

Please take a few moments to share these announcements with members of your community group and take some time to pray for the life of the church. Thank you!

Sermon Discussion Questions | [2 Samuel 1:1-16](#)

1. Consider David's lament for Jonathan in the second half of the chapter. Talk about the importance of friendship (for reference, you can read about David and Jonathan's friendship in 1 Samuel 18 and 20). What signs do you see in our world that we underplay the importance of friendship? What can we do to value it more highly?
2. Now consider David's lament for Saul. What does it tell us that, after everything he has been through, David praises Saul rather than cutting him down? How is forgiveness connected to the way we speak about the one who has wronged us when they aren't there to hear us?
3. Does forgiveness mean not holding the offender accountable? How does the grace of God in the death and resurrection of Christ affect the answer to this question?
4. David's treatment of the Amalekite who struck down the Lord's anointed seems harsh. How do we make sense of this? How is it pointing beyond itself, to *our* treatment of the true anointed one, Jesus?
5. Why do you think the Westminster Confession of Faith calls repentance an *evangelical* grace (that is, a *gospel* grace – part of the good news)?
6. Pray for our church, that the gifts of repentance and reconciliation would be granted by the Holy Spirit, in Christ our champion, who has won them for us.

Important Announcement:

The members of Christ the King Presbyterian Church are called to a Congregational Meeting to be held virtually on Sunday, November 15, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Other Announcements:

CALLING ALL FAMILIES AND YOUTH! In addition to the Sunday morning Zoom meet-ups, we're putting together some **opportunities for small groups of families and youth to get together in person**. To keep group sizes manageable and safe, we're planning these as outside gatherings around kids of similar ages. For dates and specific details for each age group visit www.ctkcambridge.org/gatherings. Please note that those attending these gatherings are expected to wear masks throughout the event (not required for children under the age of 2) and maintain physical distancing.

On **Sunday, November 1 at noon the high school youth will be meeting up** (socially distanced) at Sennott Park near the church to talk about plans and ideas for youth ministry this year. We invite students in grades 9-12 to join us to give input and fellowship together. Parents are welcome to stay but not required. More details to come. Contact Lydia Carter with questions.