



THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

With Advent, the lectionary starts Year C which focuses especially on the Gospel of Luke. The Bible Project emphasizes the Upside-Down nature of the Kingdom of God in their overview of Luke (as well as the “Justice” video).

We’ll do an overview of this concept, the Gospel of Luke, and see how it continues our “Are You a Good Neighbor?” conversation.

Week #2

- REVIEW: Jesus Enacts the Kingdom He’s Announced**
 Using the summary of “An Upside-Down Kingdom,” identify how these words of Jesus relate to the list of God’s love-values.



MANIFESTO OF AN UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM
 GOD’S LOVE=REVERSAL OF OUR VALUE SYSTEMS
 RADICAL GENEROSITY, SERVANT LEADERSHIP,
 PEACEMAKING, FORGIVENESS, DEEP PIETY
 THAT REJECTS RELIGIOUS HYPOCRISY

Focus in on the Sermon on the Plain – Luke 6:17-49

- Identify God’s love-values as we go.

Watch Video: Upside Down

with Micah Bournes



Gospel

peace

love

disruptive

easily ignored

intense emotional reactions

radically changed

hated

upside down

authentically

time to change the pace

rethink the plan

reset the hands of time

uncertain

vulnerable

courage

legacy of revolutionaries

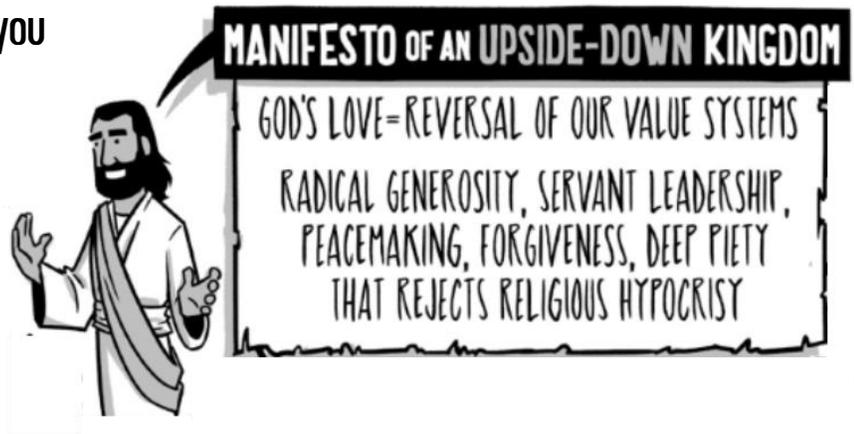
change the pace

until it ends

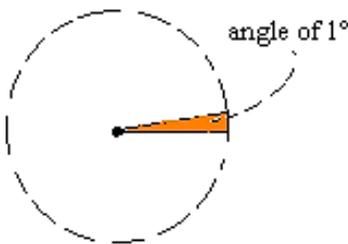
2. HEAR AGAIN: Jesus Enacts the Kingdom He's Announced

How does hearing Micah Bournes help you to hear the radical nature of the Sermon on the Plain?

Luke 6:17-49



- Take one phrase from the Sermon on the Plain that captures your attention about making changes in your life.
 - Write down the phrase:
 - How would that phrase lead you to:
 - “Change the pace”
 - “rethink the plan”
 - “reset the hands of time”
 - feel uncertain
 - be disruptive



What is **ONE THING** that you could do this week to move towards this change in your life as you live as a disciple of the upside-down kingdom?

Who will keep you accountable?

3. What's upside-down about what Jesus does right after He preaches?