

A Kingmaker and a Kingdom, Pt. 2

November 23, 2025



WELCOME

Whether you are a Christian or an other-than-Christian, we welcome you. We gather every Sunday morning to renew our covenant with God as we celebrate the Lord's Day by worshiping Him in Spirit and in truth. If you're new here, we would love to meet you! Nursery is available for children 2 and under during Sunday school and the worship service. Worshipers in Training (WIT) is available for 3-and 4-year-olds and they are dismissed prior to the sermon during the worship service. The Sufficient Grace Worship Room is available upon request for children & adults with special needs. Please go to the check-in desk for more information. For those who may be hard of hearing, we have assisted listening devices available for use. Please ask an usher to be directed to a member of the A/V team for assistance.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

At Heartland we observe The Lord's Supper on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The Lord's Supper is meant to further unite us to Jesus Christ and to one another. We welcome to this table all who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who have professed faith in Christ for salvation, and who have been admitted to the table by the leadership of a Bible-believing Church. If you are unsure or have questions, please contact one of our pastors or elders.

CONNECT

Looking to connect with others in the church? Have questions about Heartland Community Church? Hurting and need someone to talk to? If so, we're here to help. To get started, please email connect@heartlandpca.org or scan the QR code with your phone's camera and complete the online Connection Card.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

GETTING AHEAD - JAN 5TH THRU MAY 4TH

Heartland is excited to host "Getting Ahead", a 16 week program for individuals and families that are struggling to get by. Each Monday evening the participants will be provided a meal, childcare, and essential tools to change their circumstances. Please see the announcements page for further details about how you can get involved!

Gathering Song

Psalm 116

Welcome & Announcements
Call To Worship & Invocation

Song Of Adoration

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven (T76)

Prayer Of Confession

Assurance Of Pardon

Song Of Thanksgiving

Not In Me

Doxology

Prayer Of Supplication

Song Of Preparation*

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 26:1-25

Sermon

God's Return Policy - Pastor Jonathan

Confessing Our Faith

The Lord's Supper

Song Of Response

There Is One Gospel

Benediction

(3-4 YEAR OLDS ARE INVITED TO WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING)*

DISCUSSION GUIDE

A KINGMAKER AND A KINGDOM, PART 2

1 Samuel 26:1-25

CONTEXT

In the story of Saul and David (chps. 16-31), David has been anointed at the LORD's next king of Israel, but Saul is still on the throne. On the run from Saul, who is seeking his life, David faces another test of his trust in the LORD's sovereign justice. How will he respond in his final encounter with Saul?

STRUCTURE OF THE TEXT

- 26:1-5 Saul seeks David in the wilderness
- 26:6-12 David sneaks into Saul's encampment
- 26:13-25 David confronts Saul

EXPLORING THE TEXT

- 1. When David realized that Saul was "encamped" near him, he decided to sneak into Saul's camp at night. What does the text reveal, either explicitly or implicitly, about David's motives?
- 2. When they found Saul asleep, David restrained Abishai from "destroying him". What were David's reasons (see vv9-11)?
- How did the LORD reward David for not killing Saul (see v12)?
- 4. When David called out to Saul's army, Abner answered. What did David say Abner deserved, and why (see v1v5-16)?
- 5. When Saul was awakened, what did David ask him (see vv18)?
- 6. What did David say Saul deserved if his "stirred up against him" was of "men", and why (see vv19-20)?
- 7. What spiritual principle does David point to as the basis for his decision to let Saul live (see vv23-24)?

CONNECTING TO THE GOSPEL

- 1. In 2 Samuel 22:21-25, David praised God for rewarding him "according to my righteousness". How do we reconcile this with David's moments of unrighteousness (e.g., 2 Samuel 11)?
- 2. What does the Bible say about our "righteousness" (see Ps 53:1-3, Isa 64:6, Rom. 1:18, 3:10)?
- 3. What does our unrighteousness deserve (see Romans 6:23)?
- 4. How then are we to be found righteous (see Phil 3:9, Rom 1:17, Rom 5:18)?

CONCLUSIONS

- 1. How do you respond to the fact that God repays each man according to his righteousness and faithfulness?
- 2. How does it convict you of your need for a "righteous one"?
- 3. How does the fact that "the righteous shall live by faith" encourage you?
- 4. How does this truth reorient the way you think about justice in this world?
- 5. How does it lead you to adore Jesus, the Righteous One (Acts 3:14)?

SERMON NOTES	
God's Return Policy 1 Samuel 26:1-25	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GETTING AHEAD - HOW TO GET INVOLVED

We're inviting **Heartland Community Groups** to partner with us by providing dinner. We ask our Community Groups to discuss this as a group and prayerfully consider joining together to make or cater a meal for one or two Mondays this spring. Dinner will be served at 5:15pm. Leaders can see further information and sign up using the QR Code.

We're inviting Heartland families to partner with us by helping with childcare for the participants. We will require there to be two adult members present in the nursery during childcare, your children are welcome to join and/or assist. You will be compensated for your family's time. To see further details and to sign up please scan the QR Code.



Childcare

THE BIGGEST STORY - ADVENT

The Biggest Story - Advent books are available in the Gathering Area. We are asking that you "pay what you can". We would love for families to enjoy these books this holiday season and will have them available as long as supplies lasts.

MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS

You can now pick up missionary Christmas cards from the Gathering Area and send a personalized Christmas Greeting to the Heartland missionary of your choice!

The time has come for the opportunity to contribute to our annual missionary family Christmas gifts. We want our missionaries to know we remember them and honor their sacrifice of living far from family and friends this time of year. If you are interested in donating to this cause, specify "Missionary Christmas" on your check or by selecting "Missionary Christmas Gift" as the fund in our online giving platform.

FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE PLANNING TEAM

We are looking for those who may be interested in being part of the planning team for the Father Daughter Dance! The planning team decides the theme, plans the details for the dance, and implements the ideas. There is usually one meeting several weeks before the dance. If interested, please contact Tara Whitley by email at tararosewhitley@live.com or by phone at 920-309-2622.

SAVE THE DATE

November 23 - Jeff & Nancy Stout's Going Away Party - Gathering Area, 3:00-5:00pm

November 29 - Church Christmas Decorating - 9:00am

December 17 - Heartland Community Caroling - 6:00pm

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service - 5:00pm

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

YEAR TO DATE GIVING 2025

BUDGET: \$917,958

ACTUAL: \$912,472

