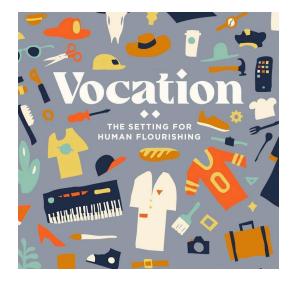
Royal Redeemer Going Deeper Guide

Based on the sermon for February 2, 2025 Vocation: The Setting For Human Flourishing



Begin by reflecting on/sharing a high and/or a low from your week

- CONNECT
 - o Think about the last time you helped someone in a way that felt small or routine. Maybe it was making a meal, offering encouragement, or just showing up for someone. Looking back, how do you think God was working through you in that moment?

• GROW

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed

clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.

44 "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

45 "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

46 "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

- o Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
- Why do you think the righteous in the passage are surprised when Jesus says they served Him? What does this reveal about their understanding of faith and service?
- o How does this passage challenge the way we view our daily work, responsibilities, and interactions?
- o What are some ways we might overlook or underestimate the significance of our vocations in God's kingdom?
- o Jesus ties acts of service to Himself—how might this shape the way we approach our jobs, families, or communities?
- o Who in your life right now might be considered one of "the least of these," and how could you reflect Christ's love to them?
- o How does viewing our vocations as God's work help us find purpose, even in the mundane or challenging moments?
- SERVE others
 - Think about your current vocation (take a minute and write them down)—whether it's a job, a role in your family, or how you serve others. How can you more intentionally see it as a place where God is working through you?
- End with Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, or a short Blessing