

Connecting Together

1. When you hear the word "judgment," what emotions or thoughts immediately come to mind?
2. Before Sunday's message, how would you have answered the question, "Why would a loving God send people to hell?"

Connecting to the Passage

1. Read **Matthew 25:31-46**

What do you learn about Jesus from this passage?

What differences do you notice between the sheep and the goats?

What surprised you about Jesus' description of the final judgment?

Why do you think Jesus begins this passage by describing Himself as the glorious King before describing the judgment itself?

2. Read **Isaiah 6:1-5**

How did seeing God's holiness change Isaiah's view of himself? Why do we naturally compare ourselves to other people instead of comparing ourselves to God's holiness?

3. Read **2 Corinthians 5:21** and **Romans 5:8**

How do these passages help explain why **Matthew 25** is not teaching salvation by good works?

What does "The Great Exchange" teach us about what happened at the cross?

Connecting to Application

1. Why would a holy God make a way for sinners like us to spend eternity with Him? How does asking this new question change the way you think about God?
2. Which of the three responses from Sunday's message challenged you the most: Come honestly before God, Look to the cross, Come to the King?
3. For those who have trusted Christ, how should the reality of God's grace shape the way we worship and live this week? If you've never trusted Jesus as Savior, what's holding you back?
4. Who do you know that struggles with this question about hell? How could this week's message help you have a gracious, gospel-centered conversation with them?

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Current Series

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WELCOME

August 02, 2026



WORSHIP ORDER

CALL TO WORSHIP
HOUSE OF THE LORD
GREETING
WELCOME
OFFERING
WHAT A GOD
ALWAYS ON TIME
MESSAGE
RECKLESS LOVE
SEND OFF AND PRAYER

NORTHAMPTON
BIBLE CHURCH

Love God | Love People | Make Disciples

UPCOMING

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

In the Café at 8:30 - Plan to come if you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact Marcia Peters at care@nbchurchcf.org if interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain. If you have prayer request needs, please email them to care@nbchurchcf.org; if you don't email, nbchurchcf.org/prayer.

CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, or other assistance, please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to care@nbchurchcf.org.

SOUND & TECH TEAM

We are looking for volunteers to join our growing sound and tech team - we have a variety of jobs. We will train you! If you are interested in learning about the different ways you can serve, email Dawn at dsouza@nbchurchcf.org.

WORSHIP TEAM

If you have musical ability and a passion for worship, we would love to have you join our team! We are urgently in need of another drummer and another acoustic / electric / bass player. We would love to connect with you if you are musically gifted in other ways and interested (or know someone who is). Email Dawn at dsouza@nbchurchcf.org for more info.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 8, 8:00
Sign up in the **Church Center App**.

BAPTISM/ PARTNERSHIP

Sunday, September 13
If you are interested in Baptism and/or Partnership at Northampton, **please fill out the form in the Church Center App**.

READY TO TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP AT NORTHAMPTON?

Join our **Partnership Class on Sunday, August 16, 9:00-10:30am** to learn who we are, what we believe, and how you can be part of the mission. **Register in the Church Center App**.

BIBLE DOCTRINE COURSE 2026

Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30pm
August 25 - November 10
The Bible Doctrine Course is designed to help you build a solid foundation in the essential truths of the Christian faith. **For more information and to register, go to the Church Center App**.

REAL-LIFE DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

Wednesdays, beginning August 26, 7:30pm (for 11 weeks). **Sign up in the Church Center App!**

DISCOVER NORTH

Sunday, August 30
Want to know what Northampton is all about? Join us and you will meet pastors, leaders, hear the vision And find your next step.

NORTHAMPTON KICKBALL!

Sunday, August 30 • 3:00-6:00 PM
Hosted by the Young Adult Ministry
Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, fun, and friendly competition! All are welcome. Snacks and drinks will be provided!

MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

Matthew 25:31-46

A loving God does not ignore sin, He judges it justly and, through Jesus, offers mercy freely.

Who is this King?

The King appears in _____

The King's standard reveals _____

The King renders a _____

The King who _____ is the King Who took our _____

The King's invitation is _____

The better question: Why would a _____ God make a way for sinners like us to spend _____ with Him?

So how do we respond?

1. Come _____ before God

2. Look to the _____

3. _____ to the King



Check out classes and next steps: www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/



Next week: **Asking for a Friend**
Can I really trust the Bible?