## The Stories in History #38 — The True and Perfect King — Study

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### We resent and reject authority

* In your life, What has been the authority you have resented and rejected the most?
  + Why do we resent authority?
  + How do we get when we reject authority?

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### Big Idea: Jesus is the great King of the universe

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#### Jesus is the maximum authority

* Ephesians 1:20-23
  + 1 Peter 3:22
  + Philippians 2:5-11
* What draws your attention about these verses?
  + What does it say about the authority of Jesus?

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#### Establish all authority

* Romans 13:1-7
  + 1 Peter 2:13-17
* What does it say about authority and the authority of God?
  + What do they say about how we need to respond to authority?

What should we do?

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### Application: Submit to the authority of King Jesus

* 1 Peter 5:5-6

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#### Non-Christian: Submit to the authority of Jesus

* This is the essence of the decision He asks of you
  + And the biggest reason it costs us to make this decision
* It offers eternal life
  + And His constant presence
* You have to surrender to Him
  + Swear loyalty to the King of the universe
* By surrendering to Jesus and decide to follow Him
  + Through repentance and baptism
  + Accepting Him as your Lord and Savior
* And when you do
  + You receive the best King of the universe
  + As your God
    - Your Lord

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#### Christian: Submit to the authority of Jesus

* Is the decision you made
  + Do you remember when you made your decision?
  + You swore loyalty to King Jesus
* What’s in your life that does not reflect this deliverance?
  + Persistent sin?
  + Lack of reading His Word?
  + Not seeking His guidance by asking what should you do?
* They are not questions of condemnation
  + They are questions to guide us to receive the grace of God
    - By helping us to submit ourselves better to Him