**Questions for Group or Personal Reflection:**

1. What stood out to you most about the message?
2. Have you ever considered attempts at utopia to be attempts to earn our salvation? Do you think this is true?
3. Why have human attempts at utopia (salvation) always ended in dystopia? (Give some examples.)
4. Why do we need good news rather than good advice?
5. Why does it matter that we understand that we won’t experience utopia fully until eternity? How might this impact how we live right now?
6. In the message, Kory said Jesus saves us by:
   * Representing us
   * Restoring the image of God in us
   * Paying our debts
   * Dying and rising again (proving his kingship)
   * Giving us his Spirit

How are each these good news for you?



**Saving King**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = “a good place”

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = a place that doesn’t exist

**All ideas about utopia have two things in common:**

1. They believe it can be achieved by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ effort.
2. They have all ended in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

All human efforts to bring about utopia lead to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The problem with ideologies is that they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the problem.

The Bible tells us the real problem is something called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 1 & 2 describe a *utopia* of sorts.**

**Two Trees:**

The Tree of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Tree of the Knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (towb) and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ra).

The human dilemma: “Do I get to be the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who determines right and wrong, good and bad, or do I leave that to the real \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?”

Ever since Adam and Eve’s sin, we see the same pattern: people exchanging their God-given purpose to build our own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

As a result, the world is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

To fix it, we don’t need \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, we need \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The good news? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

**King Jesus saves us by…**

…\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us.

…\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Image of God in us.

…paying our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

….\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ again.

…giving us his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The world will not be fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until the King returns.

**True Utopia:**

* The return of the Tree of Life.
* The lifting of the curse.
* The reign of God with his people forever.