



# God's Path For Us

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## **John 18:36**

*Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." (NRSVUE)*

## **2 Timothy 3:2-5**

*2 For people will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 unfeeling, implacable, slanderers, profligates, brutes, haters of good, 4 treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 holding to the outward form of godliness but denying its power. Avoid them! (NRSVUE)*

In this season of Advent, it is important to remember the path God puts forth for us. It is easy to get stuck in worldly temptations and politics which strive to divide us. We are bombarded with social media posts and advertisements on a daily basis that attempt to sway our thought processes. But Jesus reminds us that while we live in this world, it is God's kingdom we are striving to bring into reality. God's kingdom encapsulates peace, love, and justice for all which is a far cry from our modern world. We need to be careful of who and what we allow to influence us. Seeking personal pleasures that contradict God's love and command for justice will lead us down a path that can easily become harmful to ourselves and others. As you go about your week, think about how you can bring justice for all of God's creatures and allow God's love to spread regardless of politics.

## Reflection Questions

1. What was it that got your attention in this devotion?
2. How can this change my actions today? This week? This month?