Christmas and the Kingdom Yours is the Power

1. God's eternal power <u>created</u> us and is evident in everything around us and in us. 1 Corinthians 4:20; Romans 1:20; Ecclesiastes 3:11b and an eternal body when He returns in power and

authority. John 14:1-3; 2 Peter 3:10-13; Romans 8:10-11; 1 Corinthians 15:51-55

2. God's eternal power <u>came</u> to us through the miracle of The Virgin Birth - Creator came to His creation. *Matthew*

1:18; Philippians 2:6-8; Colossians 1:15-17

3. God's eternal power <u>changes</u> our nature through the powerful Gospel of Jesus Christ. *Romans* 1:16-17

What Changes Take Place Through God's Gospel Power Package?

• God's eternal gospel power <u>saves</u> us when we believe. Acts 16:31a; Acts 2:38; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Luke 24:49

- God's eternal gospel power <u>sanctifies</u> us every day. 2 Corinthians 3:17-18
- God's eternal gospel power <u>invites</u> us to surrender all of our heart and life to the Holy Spirit, and live sinlessly. *Galatians 5:24-26; Romans 8:1-9a*
- God's eternal gospel power <u>enables</u> us to stand for Him and others while we wait for His return.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Acts 1:8

God's eternal power <u>secures</u> us an eternal home

Next week's reading guide:

John 17:24; Psalm 27:4 Exodus 33:18-23; 34:1-7 John 1:14, Hebrews 1:3; Isaiah 9:1-9 2 Corinthians 3:7-18 1 Corinthians 10:31; Habakkuk 2:14 Isaiah 60:1-3; Matthew 5:14-16; Daniel 12:3 John 14:13;15:7,8; Psalm 115:1

Discussion Questions:

1. What is it in Creation that speaks most loudly to you that there is a God? What is it in nature that brings refreshment to

your soul?

Discuss the Virgin Birth and the most amazing attributes of Eternal God that were confined to a human body. What is it about this plan that most amazes you? Why? What part of the plan makes the most sense to you? Why?
What part of your heart and life have been the most difficult to surrender to the Holy Spirit? Why, do you suppose it's difficult?

4. Where in life do you Stand for Christ the most? Where in life do you Stand for others the most? Where in life do you feel the most Christ-like?