Gen 14:17-24 7/24/16

## "El Elyon: God Most High" Sermon Notes

> In one of the most ancient revelations of the names of God, He reveals Himself as El Elyon, God Most High, the God who stands in authority over his creation.

Two possible responses are illustrated in this text:

1. the righteous response of Abram and Melchizedek: <u>submission</u> and worship (vv. 19, 22, 24),

2. . . . or the unrighteous response of the king of Sodom: <u>self-reliance</u> and bargaining (vv. 21, 23).

Next Week: Genesis 16:13 (1-16) - "El Roi: The God Who Sees"

## **MEFC Community Group Study Guide**

For the Week of May 8th - 14th

This week, we're going Swedish. For those who are not familiar, the following Bible study technique is known as "The Swedish Method". It's simple, remarkably fruitful, and it will keep your personal or group study on track as you review the text from this Sunday's sermon in Genesis 14:17-24. Try it out!

- What shines in this passage?
   What stands out?
   What is blindingly obvious that the author is getting across?
- What questions do I have of this passage?
  What confuses or baffles me?
  What is unclear to me?
- 3. What is this passage telling me to think? What is this passage telling me to feel? How does this passage intend to change my mouth? What is this passage telling me to do?
- 4. How does this passage speak to the work of Christ on the cross? What does Jesus' death for my sins have to say about this passage?
- 5. How does this passage reflect the truth of Christ's resurrection?

  How does the fact that Jesus is the risen, ascended, reigning, and soon to return king of the universe affect this passage and how I apply it?