Seasons are a part of life. A clash of the two great seasons in the year of the church are Advent and Lent.

Jesus priorities and perspective were always bound to the Kingdom with ____________________.

Mark 9:2-8

The Transfiguration is in the synoptic gospels only:
______________________________.

Transfiguration: the glorification of the physical (or human) body of Christ, or a revealing of the divine nature of Christ.

Metamorphoō:
__________________________________________.

At the Transfiguration, Peter speaks without thinking and makes a couple key mistakes that show his lack of Kingdom priority and perspective.

1. He decides that the situation is
______________________________.

2. He separates and equates
______________________________.
“This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” Mark 9:8

What were Jesus’ priorities?

1. Giving Glory to the Father; doing His will.
   John 17:1-5

2. Seeking out, loving, teaching and saving the lost; revealing the Father’s heart to His children.
   John 6:38-40

“So if you have been raised with Christ; seek the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.” Colossians 3:1-3

When we don’t persevere with eternal perspective then the seasons of our lives will overwhelm us,

because this world is a ______________________ (Ephesians 6, 1 Peter 5:8-9, 2 Corinthians 10:4) and when we

lack eternal perspective we focus on the wrong ______________________, and our priorities get out of sync.

When we believe Scripture that says this world is not our home (Hebrews 13:14) but is ruled by our Enemy (Ephesians 2:2, John 12:31, John 14:30), then we know that part of our eternal perspective is that we must endure the hardships of this world (John 16:33), our seasons as Kingdom warriors with Kingdom

________________________________________.

Leaning into Kingdom Perspective this Advent Season: Whether you find yourself in a season of joy or a season of hardship, how can you focus, or refocus, your priorities? Ask the Father to reveal seeds that He’s planting in this season of your life and write them on the back of the “Christmas Gift Card” provided.
Further Study:

What are Jesus’ priorities?

1. Finish reading the gospel book of Mark, chapters 10-16.

2. Use the passages below, which show us the priorities that Jesus kept on earth as Son of Man and Son of God, to enter into this season of Advent with a heightened sense of what’s important to Him, allowing it to become important to you. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal how you can shift your priorities to be more like those of Jesus.

   Jesus priority was to glorify the Father; doing His will.

   - Matthew 26:42
   - Mark 14:35
   - John 6:38
   - John 12:27-28
   - John 13:31-32
   - John 17:1-5

   Jesus’ priority was to seek out, love, teach and saving the lost; revealing the Father’s heart to His children.

   - Matthew 9:12
   - Mark 1:38
   - Mark 2:17
   - Mark 10:45
   - Mark 12:29-31
   - John 6:39

3. Refer to what you wrote about the seeds that God is planting in you during this season of your life and look up compatible verses for those seeds. During this Advent Season, meditate and journal about the truth of those verses as it pertains to you and your current life circumstances.