

The Promised Kingdom

Understanding the Kingdom of God






What is the Kingdom of God?



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What does this
mean?

How do we do
this?



But seek first the kingdom of
God and His righteousness,
and all these things will be
added to you.

MATTHEW 6:33

THE WORD FOR THE DAY

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Thy kingdom come.
THY WILL BE DONE
in earth,
as it is in heaven.

Matthew 6:10

He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.

Luke 1:32-33



Questions to Cover

- ◆ How did the Old Testament explain the Kingdom?
- ◆ How did Jesus explain the Kingdom?
- ◆ Is the Church in the Kingdom now?
- ◆ The Millennial Kingdom in Revelation

The Bible's Main Plot-line

1. God created man, Adam, to have dominion over the earth in the literal, material realm. He was to be God's under-ruler in subjection to God.
2. Man screwed it all up and continues to screw it up. People can't fix it. They can't fix themselves and they can't fix the world.
3. God sent His Son, the second Adam, to be the sacrifice for all the sin, to reverse the curse and to triumph over all evil earthly and heavenly adversaries.
4. In eternity, the second Adam, Jesus Christ, will be God's under-ruler **OVER A RESTORED PHYSICAL EARTH**. We, the church, reign with him.
5. This is **GOOD NEWS**. This is the gospel of the kingdom. You can be in it!

'And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever, just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. A great God has made known to the king what shall be after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure.' '

Daniel 2:44-45



Nebuchadnezzar Image

This is Messiah

Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days **Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.** And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.

Jeremiah 23:5-6

How did the crowd understand this?

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Matthew 3:1-2

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Matthew 4:17

How did the crowd understand this?

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:14-15

Time of trouble then deliverance

Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness? Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even **the time of Jacob's trouble**; but he shall be saved out of it.

Jeremiah 30:6-7 (KJV)

Time of trouble then deliverance

For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him: but they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

Jeremiah 30:8-9 (KJV)

Time of trouble then deliverance

Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD ; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid. For I am with thee, saith the LORD , to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished. Jeremiah 30:10-11 (KJV)

Time of trouble then deliverance

For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

Zechariah 14:2 (ESV)

Time of trouble then deliverance

Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle. On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward.

Zechariah 14:3-4 (ESV)

Time of trouble then deliverance

Behold, I am about to make Jerusalem a cup of staggering to all the surrounding peoples. The siege of Jerusalem will also be against Judah. On that day I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples. All who lift it will surely hurt themselves. And all the nations of the earth will gather against it.

And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

Zechariah 12:2-3,10

Is this man the King of the Jews?

- ◆ Herod killed all the babies around Bethlehem to remove this threat.
- ◆ Jesus kept the Pharisees and Jewish leaders guessing.
- ◆ They wanted to turn him over to the Romans for claiming to be king.
- ◆ At his trial the high priest said, “I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God.”



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- ◆ Romans did not want someone claiming to be Messiah
- ◆ His sentence was “King of the Jews”

