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Lesson Series: Kingdom Minded

Lesson Series Text: *(Luke 17:20-21)*

Lesson 1: Introduction Of The Kingdom Of God

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All Scriptures are KJV; unless otherwise noted.

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- I. Jesus made it clear what the believer's priority should be.
 - A. The Kingdom of God in the KJV is mentioned (69) times in the New Testament.
 - B. Jesus mentions it (26) times in the book of Luke.
 - C. The Kingdom of Heaven is mentioned (32) times in the book of Matthew in the KJV; of which Jesus mentions it (30) of the (32) times.
 - D. Jesus spent the (40) days after His resurrection, speaking to His disciples about things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. *(Acts 1:1-3)*
 - E. The end of the world cannot come until the gospel of the kingdom is preached in the entire world. *(Mat. 24:14 - And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.)*
- II. The Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven are used inter-changeably in the gospels. They refer to a spiritual manifestation now and a physical manifestation later.
- III. Jesus came to deliver us from a Kingdom of Darkness into His Kingdom of Light. *(Col. 1:13 - Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son)*
 - A. Jesus told those who believed on him that if they continued in His Word, that they would understand truth that would make them free. *(John 8:31-32)*
 - B. People are in bondage to Satan's Kingdom without knowing it. They are in bondage to Satan's World System and its principles of operation.
 - C. After the new birth, our minds must be renewed to Kingdom Principles; which are God's right ways of doing things.
 - D. Living by these Kingdom Principles and the Gift of Righteousness will cause us to reign in life. *(Rom. 5:17)*
- IV. Repent for the Kingdom is at hand. *(Mat. 3:1-2)*
 - A. John was announcing the coming of a new kingdom.
 - B. He was informing the people to leave the Kingdom of Darkness and enter into the Kingdom of Light.
 - C. John commanded his followers to repent: which is a change of mind and actions.
 - a. To turn away from sin and their old ways of doing things.
 - b. To seek God and His new way of doing things.
 - c. To change their way of thinking and turn to God.

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- V. The only way to enter into the Kingdom of God is to be born again. (*John 3:1-8*)
 - A. One must be born again to see the Kingdom. (3)
 - B. One must be born again to enter the Kingdom. (5)
 - C. In the Greek, the word again is (an'-o-then), which means from above. Jesus said one must be born from above.
 - D. The person who was born from flesh, must be born from the Holy Spirit, (Pneuma or OT (Ru'-ach); breath or wind of God), which is from above. (6)
 - E. Must be born of water and spirit. (5)
- VI. As my father has sent me; even so I send you. (*John 20:21*)
 - A. The Father sent Jesus, His Son, into the world to represent Him, with the ministry of reconciliation; to receive sons and daughters back into the Kingdom. (*2 Cor. 5:19*)
 - B. Jesus now sends sons and daughters into the world, to represent Him with the ministry of reconciliation; to receive sons and daughters back into the Kingdom. (*2 Cor. 5:18-20*)
 - C. The Kingdom was limited with Jesus being the only person having the Holy Spirit dwelling within. Jesus said that if He did not return to heaven, the Holy Spirit could not be sent. (*John 16:7*)
- VII. When we came into the Kingdom of God; the Kingdom of God came inside of us. (*Luke 17:21*)
 - A. The Holy Spirit dwelling inside of us helps provide everything we need on earth; whether natural, supernatural, or spiritual.
 - B. That's why we are commanded to seek first the Kingdom of God and His way of doing things. This seeking will produce (add) everything that we need.
- VIII. What we have inside of us is for nations. (*Mark 16:15-20*)
 - A. God wants us to go into areas; bringing Heaven's Kingdom to earth.
- IX. God or Mammon. (*Mat. 6:24*)
 - A. Mammon is part of the World System of the Kingdom of Darkness.
 - B. It functions like God's Kingdom, but makes slaves of us rather than set us free.
 - C. This is the lesson of the rich young ruler. (*Luke 18:18-30*)
- X. We must live our lives with a Kingdom Mentality.

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