

The Kingdom of God

Matthew 6,7,8. Contain the main messages of Jesus.

These chapters cover the Sermon on the Mount and the Beatitudes

- The Blessings
- The Declarations
 The Fulfilment of the Law
- 1. Murder
- Adultery Love for Enemies Giving to the Needy Prayer 2. 3. 4.
- Treasures in Heaven
- Do Not Worry

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well . Matt $6\!:\!33$

The Kingdom of God

- 1. Who does it belong to? Who can enter
- 2. Who does it not belong to
- 3. Rank in the Kingdom
- 4. What is it like?
- 5. Where is the Kingdom
- 6. Who is the least in the Kingdom
- 7. Who advances the Kingdom
- 8. Secrets of the Kingdom
- 9. Keys of the Kingdom
- 10. Other Scriptures about the Kingdom

The Kingdom of God

- 1. What is the Kingdom of God like?
 - MT 13:24 Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

 • MT 13:31 He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a
 - mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field MT 13:33 He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast
 - that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough."
 - · MT 13:44 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought
 - that field.
 MT 18:23 "Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

 MT 20:1 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in
- the morning to hire men to work in his vineyard.

What is a Kingdom

When you choose to live in the Kingdom, you can expect righteousness, peace and joy

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,

The Kingdom of God manifests power

1CO 4:20 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

What is a Kingdom



A kingdom is a place where a King rules.

- It is the realm of his influence, where his values, laws and enforcement are in operation.
- The King is the ruler, and his government and subjects follow his rules and values.

3 positional statements Jesus states about the Kingdom of God

- 1. The Kingdom of God is near or at hand
 - "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near. " Matt 4:17
- 2. The Kingdom of God is within you.
 - Nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'there it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you." Luke 17:21
- ${\bf 3.}\ The\ Kingdom\ of\ God\ has\ come\ upon\ you.$
 - But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you Matt 12:28

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1. Jesus Demonstrated the Kingdom over Human Bodies

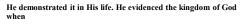


He demonstrated it in His life. He evidenced the kingdom of God when

- · He healed the sick
- · Cleansed the lepers
- · Set the demonic free
- · Raised the dead

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2. Jesus Demonstrated the Kingdom over Human hearts



- · Spoke life to the woman caught in adultery
- · Spoke acceptance the women at the well
- · Restored Peter when he sinned
- Acknowledged Thomas's lack of faith and offered his hand to see put his fingers in the holes to build up his faith

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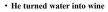
3. Jesus demonstrated the Kingdom over the world



- This world and its government structures
- The spiritual world and all the demons and Satan himself
- All Nature: He caught a fish and it gave coin to pay His taxes
- He rebuked the storm

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4. Jesus demonstrated the Kingdom over Molecular Structure & Time





 Nuclear transmutation involves the use of a particle accelerator to change one element into another

• The best wine takes at least 1 year to age



Paul Demonstrated the Kingdom

My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, [5] so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power. I Cor 2:4 & 5

We are called to do the same He said

- I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. John 14:12
- He sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. Lk $9{:}2\,$

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Kingdom of God Truths

Authority of the Kingdom

Matthew 16:19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Secrets of the Kingdom

Matthew 13:11 He replied, "The knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them.

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The Secrets are revealed in His Commandments



- 1. Be the Light of the World
- 2. Love the Lord
- 3. Love your neighbour's
- 4. Family
- 5. Abide in Me
- 6. Honour your parents
- 7. Render unto Caesar
- 8. Go the extra mile
- 9. Stewardship
- 10. Leadership
- 11. Seek the kingdom of God

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Learning to Live in God's Kingdom

We start by speaking the language of God's Kingdom, which is love

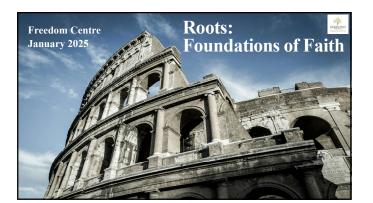
- 1. Where there is hate, show love, demonstrate mercy
- 2. Where there is persecution and prejudice, show acceptance
- 3. Where there is lack and poverty, show generosity and giving
- 4. Where there is selfishness. Show care for others and a servant's heart

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Personal Application: Journaling Exercise

Father, what would you like to say to me about the Kingdom of God?

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