## KINGDOM TRUTHS INTRO

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Since the 1980's I have had an interest in making disciples for Jesus. I began to dream of putting together a course on discipleship that was based on the pattern I saw in the Bible and which focused on the kingdom message. God had already given me a hunger to learn about His kingdom. By the early 1990's I was asked to write some courses on various topics for a Bible School in London, England.

In 1999 God showed me that the apostle Paul's greatest legacy was not the sermons that he preached but the letters he wrote. I then began to write a book on 'Walking in Love'. About 10 years later, I could not get Matthew 3 out of my mind. As this continued for months, I realized that God wanted to reveal some things to me about discipleship as I placed myself there at the Jordan river with Jesus. First of all, I discovered that Jordan means 'descender'. It struck me that Jesus left the glories of the highest heaven and started his public ministry near the lowest place on earth! That was the first key that I saw in Jesus.....humility. Soon I saw three other key truths, and then over the next several years God showed me many others. Here is the outline of truths that were demonstrated at the beginning days of Jesus' public ministry. - Matthew 3-4, Luke 3, John 1. Thanks for joining us on this journey of discipleship under our teacher, the Lord Jesus Christ.

## KEY TRUTHS FROM JESUS EARLY MINISTRY

+ KEY APPETITE Hunger for God and hope Kingdom of God is here + KEY ANNOUNCEMENT Repent from dead works - KEY ADMONITION God's Ax to the Root of the Tree - KEY AIM + KEY ATTITUDE Humility, Submission, Obedience - KEY ANNULMENT Baptism - Bury the old man Holy Spirit - Empower the new man + KEY AGENT - KEY ANTAGONISTS Religious Leaders Grace, Faith and Prayer + KEY ACCESS **KEY ACCOUNTING Eternal Rewards and Punishments** The Lamb of God and His Blood + KEY ADVOCATE + KEY AFFIRMATION The Father's Love - KEY ADVERSARY Satan / The Devil Fasting KEY ABSTINENCE The Word of God + KEY AUTHORITY **KEY AUDIENCE** The Common People

The knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of God has been given to you. -Luke 8:10

Healing, Miracles, Doing Good

Teaching, Preaching, Making Disciples-

Sermon on the Mount / Kingdom Lifestyle

+ KEY ADVERTISING

+ KEYACTIVITY

+ KEYADDRESS