

What is the Kingdom of God?

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Jesus was always speaking about the Kingdom of God. He gave many examples of what the Kingdom of God represents, but He didn't give us a direct definitive meaning of what the Kingdom of God is all about. If the Kingdom of God is so central to the teachings of Jesus, why then did He not give us the direct meaning of the Kingdom of God? Jesus said the Kingdom of God has been given to his disciples, but for the others; they will only get His parables. He indicates that all those who hear Him will be forever learning but never understanding as He didn't want them to so easily know what he was talking about.

What then is the Kingdom of God? I will reveal this mystery once we get all the scriptures that mention this Kingdom and assemble them into one place.

Psalm 45:6 (New King James Version)

6 Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

Matthew 4:17 (New King James Version)

17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven [a]is at hand."

Matthew 6:33 (New King James Version)

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

Matthew 12:28 (New King James Version)

28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.

Matthew 18:1-5 (New King James Version)

1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

2 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, 3 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. 4 Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. 5 Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.

Matthew 19:24 (New King James Version)

24 And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

Matthew 21:28-31 (New King James Version)

The Parable of the Two Sons

28 "But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, 'Son, go, work today in my vineyard.' 29 He answered and said, 'I will not,' but afterward he regretted it and went. 30 Then he came to the second and said likewise. And he answered and said, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?"

They said to Him, "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that tax collectors and harlots enter the kingdom of God before you.

Luke 9:2 (New King James Version)

2 He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

Luke 17:20-21 (New King James Version)

20 Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; 21 nor will they say, [a]'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is [b]within you."

Mark 4:30-32 (New King James Version)

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

30 Then He said, "To what shall we liken the kingdom of God? Or with what parable shall we picture it? 31 It is like a mustard seed which, when it is sown on the ground, is smaller than all the seeds on earth; 32 but when it is sown, it grows up and becomes greater than all herbs, and shoots out large branches, so that the birds of the air may nest under its shade."

Mark 9:47 (New King James Version)

47 And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into [a]hell fire—

Mark 10:15 (New King James Version)

15 Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.”

Luke 8:10 (New King James Version)

10 And He said, “To you it has been given to know the [a]mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that

‘Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.’

Luke 9:62 (New King James Version)

62 But Jesus said to him, “No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.”

Luke 11:20 (New King James Version)

20 But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.

John 3:3 (New King James Version)

3 Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born [a]again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

John 3:5 (New King James Version)

5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Romans 14:16-17 (New King James Version)

16 Therefore do not let your good be spoken of as evil; 17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 4:20 (New King James Version)

20 For the kingdom of God is not in word but in power.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (New King James Version)

9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor [a]homosexuals, nor [b]sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

1 Corinthians 15:50 (New King James Version)

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

Galatians 5:19-21 (New King James Version)

19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: [a]adultery, [b]fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, 21 envy, [c]murders, drunkenness, revelries,

and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Ephesians 5:5 (New King James Version)

5 For [a]this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

2 Thessalonians 1:4-5 (New King James Version)

4 so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and [a]tribulations that you endure, 5 which is manifest[b] evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer;

Hebrews 1:8 (New King James Version)

8 But to the Son He says:

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

A [a]scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

Revelation 12:10 (New King James Version)

10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, “Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

Matthew 6:9-11 (New King James Version)

9 In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

The Kingdom of God is not a physical place that you can find by seeing with your eyes. The Kingdom of God is also the Kingdom of Heaven. It is not of this world. Yet it has effects that can be observed. It's about the will, power and operating system of God. To enter into this spiritual kingdom, you have to get approval from God. The conditions to enter in, is that you must be born of Water and Spirit. You also need to have a pure soul like that of little children, putting your full trust in what God says. When the power of God comes upon you to heal you, that's the effect of the Kingdom of God, its God's Will being done on earth.

This kingdom of God is in the bible because it contains the Word of God. The kingdom also exists in the person who has the Holy Spirit of God. But the Kingdom of God is also in your midst because the power of God sustains the sun, moon and earth in space and all of creation. Jesus prayed for God's Will to be done on earth as He wills it in heaven. Heaven is the Kingdom of God. This Kingdom of God will be coming upon the earth in its fullness in the end times and it is now coming upon those who have received salvation from Jesus. Those who have entered into the Kingdom of God can hear what God is speaking to them. When someone has a prophetic dream, the Kingdom of God has also come upon them. When someone receives the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the Kingdom of God has also come upon them. When someone receives a miracle, the same Kingdom of God has come upon them.

All sinners will still be unable to enter into the Kingdom of God, that's why normal people don't get to experience the power of God moving in their lives. The conditions of being granted access into the Kingdom of God is spelt out clearly in the above scriptures from Galatians and Ephesians. I don't mean you have to be totally sinless to experience the Kingdom of God, no as long as you have repented and have a change of heart, you will begin to experience the Kingdom of God coming upon your life.

That's why there is a need to repent from your old ways. It's hard to change your habits by yourselves, but with the help of Jesus, all things are possible. However, you must sincerely want to change. Repentance begins with a change of heart attitude. To have a true

overcoming life you must seek first the Kingdom of God, the approval of God is to seek the righteousness of God. Then, He will restore to you a new and better way of life. In order to change your life, you have to work with God, by deciding not to go back to your old ways of living and to reprogram your mind to do things the bible way. Making the right decision is the very first step towards a life of light and glory. The Word of God in the bible will be your light to a better way of life and the Holy Spirit will guide you when you invite him into your life. This is the truth.