



THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

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A Kingdom is a territory ruled by a KING!

We have a KING

John 18: 36 Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

TO HEAVENLY MINDED to be any EARTHLY GOOD?

Not the case!

In Ephesians 1: 20 we see

The father by the Spirit raised Jesus from the dead

Ephesians 1: 20 he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

seated him at his right hand in the heavenly

You are a citizen of Heaven!

Seated with HIM!

(1) The kingdom of Heaven Is Near

Matthew 10: 7As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ 8Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, ^a drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

9“Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts— 10no bag for the journey or extra shirt or sandals or a staff, for the worker is worth his keep.

- + 8Heal the sick,
- + raise the dead,
- + cleanse those who have leprosy,
- + drive out demons

Luke 10:9 Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

Our Prayers

- + Come by your power
- + Where are you God
- + We are desperate for you God
- + Make us Holy God

**Heaven is
Near**

How you perceive yourself is how you LIVE

So see yourself with God’s EYES!

I am spiritual

I am an eternal being

I am a child of God

Heaven is my HOME!

Jesus on the Cross

Matthew 27: 50 And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. 51At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split 52and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. 53They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and ^e went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

+ the curtain 60 feet high, 30 feet wide, 6 inches thick

+ torn in two Access to God, Jesus said I am the Way .
(Curtain)

+ from top to bottom The hand of God not man

+ tombs broke open Death is defeated

+ people who had died were raised to life

**Heaven is
Near**

The Stoning Of Stephen (Stephen brings correction to the Sanhedrin) = The elders and judges of Israel

Acts 7: 54 When the members of the Sanhedrin heard this, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. 55But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 56“Look,” he said, “I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”

**Religion
Says
Heaven is
Shut**

57At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him,

Mathew 6: 9“This, then, is how you should pray:

“ ‘Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
10your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Thy Kingdom come

That realm can come here but this realm cannot go there

- (1) The Kingdom of Heaven is near
- (2) The Kingdom of Heaven is yours

Understand your Position in Christ

Children don't know how to move in authority. Son's and Daughters of God understand Who they are

I understood The assignment

Matthew 12: From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been subjected to violence, and violent people have been raiding it.

+ days of John the Baptist

A new prophetic flow had come **prepare the way of the Lord**

400 years there was no voice of God in the Land
In 333 B.C., Israel fell to Greeks, and in 323 B.C. it fell to Egyptians. they adopted the Greek language and many of the Greek customs and manners,

+ and violent people have been raiding it. (Take it By force)

= men of eager, impetuous zeal, who grasp the kingdom of heaven

Not passive not if it be your will not whatever God wants will happen

You are on the Earth to establish the Kingdom of God.

Luke 17: 20 Once, on being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, “The coming of the kingdom of God is not something that can be observed, 21 nor will people say, ‘Here it is,’ or ‘There it is,’ because the kingdom of God is in your midst.”

+ not something that can be observed

With the natural man

+ kingdom of God is in your midst.

Within you

You are the Tabernacle of God

The essence of Heaven is inside of you

JESUS

Romans 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,

+ eating and drinking

The Law = rules and regulations

+ righteousness

I am right with God = GRACE

+ peace

Greek - eirēnē = prosperity

+ joy

The source of joy

You can function in the kingdom of HEAVEN

It's yours to manipulate !!!!

Acts 17:24 “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.

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