

The Kingdom is Here Part 3 April 23, 2023

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I. INTRO/REVIEW

- A. Two messages become very clear:
 - Repent
 - The Kingdom of Heaven is HERE

A Kingdom is: A governing influence of a king over his territory impacting it with his personal will, purpose, and intent. Producing a culture, values, morals and lifestyle that reflects the king's desires and nature for his citizens

- B. Jesus of Nazareth (the CHRIST) showed up in a one kingdom and flipped the entire script on "EVERYTHING"
- C. Entering God's Kingdom is "unfair" based on our human reasoning
 - The Second Adam—Romans 5:12-19

II. LOCATION, LOCATION

- A. How the movement from one kingdom to another happens
 - First inside, then outside
 - Humans needed a heart transplant that would in fact lead to behavior change
- B. An illustration to help:
 - Heaven

Home

Holy

His

Headquarters

Earth

Expression

Eviction

Expansion

Expiring

III. OPERATING SYSTEM OF THIS NEW KINGDOM

- A. Matthew Chapter 5
 - Our King's "first sermon"
 - Are the values just on the company vehicle or does the employee live them on his journey?
- B. Blessed are the POOR IN SPIRIT, for the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is THEIRS
 - Poor—impoverished; you may know what it means to be poor, you may not
 - A person who is poor in spirit understands that if <u>GOD doesn't act out of charity and give them</u> what they need to live as it is meant to be they are going to <u>starve to death spiritually.</u>



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C. Blessed are those who MOURN, for they shall be comforted

- Whatever my need is; I have to believe in the King's sufficiency to provide and bring what is needed
- Right now I think many of us are sorting out what our real needs are vs the things that were: nice; a chosen distraction; a replacement; a want of my own (this list could go on quite a ways)

2 Corinthians 7:6, 9 (NJKV) Nevertheless God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus... Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing.

• God comforts those who are "cast down" and sometimes there is a sorrow that has to come upon us so that we repent.

D. Blessed are the HUMBLE for they shall inherit the earth

- Meekness is not weakness
- Kingdom humbleness understands the order of things
- There is ONE king in this kingdom, and I ain't it!

E. Blessed are those who HUNGER and THIRST for righteousness for they shall be filled

• We are not salesmen trying to get people to purchase the kingdom. We are representatives trying to let people know there is one who can quench their thirst

F. **Blessed are the MERCIFUL** for they shall be shown **mercy**

• Give this one a try this week, you will probably have more than one opportunity

G. Blessed are the PURE IN HEART for they will see God.

Childlike in so many ways

H. Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God

- This word is not at all what most of us think it is
- Not someone who runs away from conflict, rather faces conflict with truth as a means to bring resolution
- I. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness for the Kingdom of Heaven is THEIRS