

The Covenant, The King, and The Kingdom

Week 1 - Introduction - (4-21-21)

Acts 1:1-3 - For 40 days Jesus shows Himself alive to His apostles by many infallible proofs and speaks concerning the Kingdom of God.

- Psalm 24:1, Psalm 103:19, Col. 1:16-17, Rev. 11:15

Mat. 4:17 - Jesus preaches, “Repent for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand.”

Definitions

- Kingdom of God
 - God’s sovereign and universal reign over all that is. As creator of all, He is recognized as King and Ruler over all. God is eternal so His kingdom is eternal and transcends time and space. All Powerful - Present - Knowing God.
- Kingdom of Heaven
 - Dispensational term that refers to Messiah’s Kingdom on Earth for the purpose of re-establishing the Kingdom of God over this rebellious part of God’s Realm. It exists at this time in the realm of “Profession” on Earth but will become possession when Christ comes and sets up a literal Earthly Kingdom.

Topics Discussed During the 40 Days

- Christ’s Bodily Resurrection - John 21:14, Mt. 28:9-10, Mk. 16:9-14, Lk. 24:1-4
- Christ’s Rightful Authority - Mt. 28:18, Lk. 24:49, Acts 1:4-8
- Great Commission - Preach and confirm the Gospel to the whole world - Mt. 28:19-20, Mk. 16:15-20, Lk. 24:47, John 20:21-23, Acts 1:8
- Water Baptism - Mt. 28:19, Mk. 16:16
- Observe all the commands of Christ - Mt. 28:20
- Signs of the Gospel and Power - Mk. 16:17-20
- The Prophets prophecies concerning Christ were true - Lk. 24:25-27 and 44
- Christ’s suffering was necessary - Lk. 24:46
- Christ’s Resurrection and Ascension were necessary - Lk. 24:26, 1 Cor. 15:46
- Realities of resurrected bodies (touch Him, ate food, etc.) - Lk. 24:39-43
- Christ is the central theme of scripture - Lk. 24:27,44
- Baptism in the Holy Spirit - Lk. 24:49, Acts 1:4-8

Principles of The Doctrines of Christ (Hebrews 6:1-2)

1. Repentance from dead works
2. Faith toward God
3. Doctrine of Baptisms
4. Laying on of Hands
5. Resurrection of the Dead
6. Eternal Judgement

10 Primary Points on The Kingdom

1. God is the Ruler/Authority - As creator it's His Kingdom - Ps. 24:1, Ps. 103:19, Col. 1:16-17
2. Through sin man aligned himself with satan in rebellion to God's authority - Gen. 2, 2 Cor. 4:4
3. Through Covenant God calls forth a people unto Himself - Gen. 12:2-3, Gen. 17:8, Gen. 26:4
4. The Law - Sets God's standard for His people - Righteousness, Holiness, and Obedience - Ex. 19:3-6
 - All sufficient God - Ex. 3:13-14
5. God Promises a King through David's lineage (Messiah) - 2 Sam. 12-14, Is. 7:13-25, Jer. 31:14-26, Jer. 31:31-34
6. Jesus Birth gives new life to the Kingdom of Heaven
7. Our King Reaches out to us through His ministry and calling to receive the kingdom - Mat. 3:2, John 1:29, Mk. 10:13-16, Eph. 2:8-9, Col 1:13-14
8. Our King lays down His life in sacrifice for us and is then raise from the dead - Lk. 17:21, Col. 2:14-15, Heb. 2:15
9. After the King's resurrection He will go away for a while during which time His subjects continue to rescue the lost - Lk. 19:10, John 14, Mt. 13
10. Kingdom Application/Implication for us today: Acknowledge the King
 - Worship the King
 - Live out His teaching - Mt. 6:10
 - Look for His return
 - Work on the Kingdom is still in process
 - Ambassadors - 2 Cor. 5:20
 - Proclaim Good news - Our great commission
 - Occupy till He comes