

# Kingdom Understanding

**Romans 14:17 (NASB)**

**for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.**

This passage makes it plain, the attitude of the Kingdom of God, is not about what I get out of it, but rather about what I am called to participate in. Not a “flesh” or “natural” thing, but a Spirit of Truth manifestation of power and purpose.

**Acts 1:3 (NASB)**

**To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God.**

The Kingdom life was ushered in, in His resurrection Lordship over all that separated man from the nature of God.

The teaching of Kingdom is the message of Lordship, rather than the doctrine of savior.

**Acts 8:12 (NASB)**

**But when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being baptized, men and women alike.**

The Good News of The Kingdom, is the message of all that now belongs to those who receive His Lordship over all that was lost in Adam’s fall.

A new Lord, a new King is on the throne, and we identify with and in His Lordship.

**Acts 14:22 (NASB)**

**strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying, “Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.”**

Just because our Lord won battles and victories for us, does not mean we will not be called to “enforce satan’s defeat.” We will be challenged in every area, He won victory for us.

This separates those who receive Him as savior, and those who receive Him as Lord and King.

**Acts 19:8 (NASB)**

**And he entered the synagogue and continued speaking out boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God.**

The mind does not easily grasp the full impartation of "Kingdom of Light" life and power that comes to those who receive Him.

It must be heard and meditated repeatedly until doubt and unbelief are conquered.

**Acts 20:25 (NASB)**

**"And now, behold, I know that all of you, among whom I went about preaching the kingdom, will no longer see my face.**

Even in recognizing his passing from the stage of life, Paul desired that his disciples remember the message of The Kingdom of God, and live up to its presence and power.

**Acts 28:23 (NASB)**

**When they had set a day for Paul, they came to him at his lodging in large numbers; and he was explaining to them by solemnly testifying about the kingdom of God and trying to persuade them concerning Jesus, from both the Law of Moses and from the Prophets, from morning until evening.**

The message of the rule and reign of our Lord in this present age, is so contrary to religion, and the carnal mind, that it must be broken down, into bite size pieces, and be applied to practical examples and experiences.

**Acts 28:31 (NASB)**

**preaching the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.**

The Kingdom of God, The Kingdom of Light, The Kingdom of God's Holy Son is to be declared in power and in purpose. It is a message of Lordship, of triumph over the lies, tricks and schemes of the fallen satan.

**1 Corinthians 4:20 (NASB)**

**For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power.** Herein is a turning point. It is not just a lesson, a teaching, a dream, a vision but it is an enforcing of victories won and reclaiming of territories lost.

**1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (NASB)**

**Or 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 effeminate, nor homosexuals, 10 nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.**

The Kingdom of God will not be given to, received by or allowed participation in, for those who are still flesh ruled, unregenerate, not under Lordship.

The division of a fleshly realm, seeking gratification and a spiritual realm of enforcing victories won. Kingdom of God, is a Genesis 1:26-28 realm.

**1 Corinthians 15:24 (NASB)**

**then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.**

The Kingdom of God is a very real realm, that will rule over all the earth, before the end of time comes.

**Revelation 11:15 (AMP) The seventh angel then blew [his] trumpet, and there were mighty voices in heaven, shouting, The dominion (kingdom, sovereignty, rule) of the world has now come into the possession and become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ (the Messiah), and He shall reign forever and ever (for the eternities of the eternities)!**

The kingdoms of this "present" world, come under our Lord's Lordship, He is returning for a "victorious church." A people walking out and living out, His resurrection triumph. A people living in His Lordship.

The message of The Kingdom of God, is a post resurrection truth of triumph won and Lordship established. It is ministered in power, not just promise.

**1 Corinthians 15:50 (NASB)**

**Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.**

The Kingdom of God is about spiritual authority. Spiritual Truth ruling over carnal lies. It will not be perverted to fleshly level wants, needs and desires. All must be under His purpose.

**"Cause all that you do, in word or in deed, be done to bring glory and honor to God" Colossians 3:17**

Immersed into His triumph! Immersed into His Lordship. Seated into His rule and reign. Kingdom is about regaining and ruling over all that opposes its triumph.

**Galatians 5:21 (NASB)**

**envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

The Kingdom of God is about His rule and reign, it will not be subverted to carnal passions, wills and desires.

**Ephesians 5:5 (NASB)**

**For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.**

Further reinforcement of the previous passage.

**Colossians 1:13 (NASB)**

**For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,**

By coming under His Lordship, and the victory won for us in His resurrection, the Believer is set free from satan's dominion. The born again child of The King, is supernaturally released from the rule of darkness, and is planted, seated, enthroned into The Kingdom of Light.

**Colossians 4:11 (NASB)**

**and also Jesus who is called Justus; these are the only fellow workers for the kingdom of God who are from the circumcision, and they have proved to be an encouragement to me.**

The Kingdom of God is populated by both Jews and Gentiles. It is a place of His Lordship, not of our natural heritage. There are no hyphenated residents of The Kingdom of God.

Not male, nor female, not Jews or Greek, not bond or free, not worthy nor unworthy. We are a chosen people, called of His Spirit, born of His Truth and grafted to His presence.

**1 Thessalonians 2:12 (NASB)**

**so that you would walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.**

Being a Kingdom of God participant, calls for a new way of living life. Not by the dictates of the flesh or mind, but in alignment with The King's will and word.

**2 Thessalonians 1:5 (NASB)**

**This is a plain indication of God's righteous judgment so that you will be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which indeed you are suffering.**

There is a spiritual struggle to turn around a broken and fallen world system and usher in The Kingdom of God way of being and doing.

Part of the struggle is internal, for the Believer, and once that is won, external as the world system way of being and doing is challenged, and brought into submission to The Kingdom of Light and Life.

**Hebrews 1:8 (NASB)**

**But of the Son He says,  
"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,  
And the righteous scepter is the scepter of His kingdom.**

The scepter is the symbol of the king and his absolute authority. Ruth quickly learned, that if the king did not signal with his scepter when she requested entrance to his presence, it would mean death to her, for approaching him without permission.

His righteousness imparted to all who receive His Lordship, means free entrance to the presence of the King, unfettered access to the Throne of our Lord.

**James 2:5 (NASB)**

**Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?**

**2 Peter 1:10-11 (NASB)**

**Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; <sup>11</sup> for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.**