

## “THY KINGDOM COME - Part II”

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**INTRO:** Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom. Has the modern church replaced the gospel of the kingdom with the gospel of salvation? Could that be why the church has not had a greater impact on our culture?

### WHAT IS THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM (Mark 1:14-15)?

1. It's the good news of a present God-appointed time (“*kairos*”) of superior life being offered to everyone.
2. It's the reign (governance) of God – The King's Domain.
3. It's any dimension in which God's reign is predominant.
4. It's the present, growing and eternal reign of Jesus.

• ***This reign can be in and through individuals, groups of people and specific territories.***

### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM:

1. God's will being done on earth as in heaven (Matt. 6:10).
2. Righteousness, peace, & joy in the Holy Spirit (Rom. 14:17).
3. God's power (1Cor. 4:20) & God's provision (Matt. 6:33).
4. More emphasis on heaven to earth than earth to heaven.
5. The Father's good please to give it to you (Lk. 13:32).
6. It has come (Matt. 12:28), is progressing (Isa. 9:7; Dan. 4:3), and will one day be fully established on the earth (1Cor. 15:24; Rev. 11:15).
7. The kingdom of God is within you (Lk. 17:21)!
8. It includes Salvation (Acts 8:12-13), Healing (Lk. 9:2, 11), Deliverance, (Matt. 10:7-8; 12:28), Miracles, etc.

### HOW TO ENTER THE KINGDOM & ITS BENEFITS (Mk. 1:15)

1. Repent – to think [and live] differently (Rom. 12:2).
2. Believe in the gospel, even if it offends culture.

### THE FOUR ELEMENTS OF A KINGDOM

1. A King - the one in supreme authority [Jesus!].
  - A. The kingdom is not a democracy but a theocracy!
2. A Domain - the territory the king rules (Ps. 103:19).
3. Subjects – the citizens of the kingdom (Jesus' disciples).
4. A Culture - the principles by which the kingdom is governed (the kingdom's constitution – the Bible).

**CONCLUSION:** Thy kingdom come! Repent & Believe!