

What is the Kingdom of God?

Kingdom Principles – Part 5

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John 3:3 (ESV) Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

Daniel 2:44 (ESV) And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever,

Matthew 6:10 (ESV) Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Luke 10:9 (ESV) Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

1. How does the kingdom of God _____?

Luke 13:18 (ESV) He said therefore, “What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it?”

Luke 13:19 (ESV) It is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his garden, and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches.”

Luke 13:20-21 (ESV) And again he said, “To what shall I compare the kingdom of God? It is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, until it was all leavened.”

2. How do you _____ the kingdom of God

Luke 13:23-24 (ESV) And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, “Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

Luke 13:25 (ESV) When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’

Luke 13:27-28 (ESV) But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’ In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out.

Luke 13:29-30 (ESV) And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

3. Who is _____ from the kingdom of God?

Luke 13:32 (ESV) And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.

Luke 13:34 (ESV) O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

Luke 13:35 (ESV) Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

Weekly Healing Scripture

Matthew 9:28-30 (ESV) When he entered the house, the blind men came to him, and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to him, “Yes, Lord.” Then he touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith be it done to you.” And their eyes were opened.”

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Intro. How would you describe the kingdom of God (John 3:3)?

What will be the culmination of the kingdom of God (Daniel 2:44)?

What does our petition in the Lord's prayer "your kingdom come, your will be done, in earth as it is in heaven" mean (Matthew 6:10)?

According to Luke 10:9, what does healing have to do with the kingdom of God coming near?

1A. Why do you think that Jesus spent so much time talking about the kingdom of God (Luke 13:18)?

1B. What principle does the story of the mustard seed teach us about the kingdom of God (Luke 13:19)?

1C. What principle does the story of the leaven teach us about the kingdom of God (Luke 13:20-21)?

1D. Why is it so important to recognize and nurture the small beginnings of the kingdom in your life and the lives of others?

2A. Why does Jesus say that it's very hard to be saved (Luke 13:23-24)?

2B. Why is it that so many people think they are believers when they are not (Luke 13:25)?

2C. How does Jesus describe unbelievers in Luke 13:27-28? Why?

2D. Explain the great reversal spoken by Jesus in Luke 13:29-30.

2E. What does a person have to lay aside to enter the narrow door to life? Is there anything else that you need to lay aside?

3A. What is significant about how Jesus describes his ministry in Luke 13:32?

3B. According to Luke 13:34, why were the majority of Jews not saved?

3C. When will everyone see Jesus again (Luke 13:35)?

3D. How can you make plans to rescue people from the kingdom of Satan and bring them into the kingdom of God?