

The Already Not Yet Kingdom Lessons from the Master – Part 1

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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.’

Revelation 21:2-3 (ESV) And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

1. When will the _____ come?

Luke 17:20-21 (ESV) Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, “The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There!’ for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.”

Luke 17:22-23 (ESV) And he said to the disciples, “The days are coming when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. And they will say to you, ‘Look, there!’ or ‘Look, here!’ Do not go out or follow them.

Luke 17:24-25 (ESV) For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

2. The _____ of the Kingdom

Luke 17:26-27 (ESV) Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

Luke 17:28-29 (ESV) Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building, but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all—

3. Be prepared for Jesus’ _____

Luke 17:30-31 (ESV) so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed. On that day, let the one who is on the housetop, with his goods in the house, not come down to take them away, and likewise let the one who is in the field not turn back.

Luke 17:32-33 (ESV) Remember Lot’s wife. Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will keep it.

Luke 17:34-35 (ESV) I tell you, in that night there will be two in one bed. One will be taken and the other left. There will be two women grinding together. One will be taken and the other left.”

Luke 17:37 (ESV) And they said to him, “Where, Lord?” He said to them, “Where the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

The Already Not Yet Kingdom Study Guide
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Intro. What does Matthew 6:10 teach us about the Kingdom and our role in it?

In what ways is healing the sick a sign that the Kingdom has come near (Luke 10:9)?

What will be the end result of the Kingdom completely coming to earth (Revelation 21:2-3)?

1A. What was wrong with the Pharisees understanding of the Kingdom of God (Luke 17:20-21)?

1B. What is Jesus warning us about in Luke 17:22-23?

1C. What will Jesus' return be like according to Luke 17:24-25?

1D. In what ways can you bring the Kingdom near to people?

2A. How was the judgement of the flood in Noah's day an illustration of the judgement coming at Christ's return (Luke 17:26-27)?

2B. Why specifically did God bring judgement on Noah's world and on the city of Sodom (Luke 17:28-29)?

2C. What can we learn for our own lives and witness from the examples of God's judgement in Noah's and Lot's days?

3A. At Jesus' return, how should His followers not respond (Luke 17:30-31)?

3B. Why was Lot's wife destroyed, both in this life and for eternity (Luke 17:32-33)?

3C. What do you think will be the response of the world when believers are taken to be with the Lord on His return (Luke 17:34-35)?

3D. Why does Jesus paint such a graphic picture of the plight of those left behind at His return (Luke 17:37)?

3E. What impact should Jesus' teaching on His return have on our lives?