

## Kingdom Dynamics

Welcome to Harvest Community Church

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Series: The Kingdom of God

**Text: Luke 17:20-21**

The Kingdom of God is the overriding theme of the Bible. The Bible is about a King, a Kingdom and the citizens of the Kingdom. Jesus came to reclaim and restore that which is rightfully His, both mankind and His creation. **Genesis 1:1**

John the Baptist and Jesus did not just come preaching salvation but the Kingdom of God. **Mark 1:14-15, Matthew 4:23, Matthew 24:14, Revelation 12:10**

Jesus is the promised Messiah, the Christ, the Anointed One. The Messiah was to be, and is, the King and deliverer of Israel. Jesus is the Savior and Deliver of all mankind. **John 4:25-26, John 1:40-41**

Jesus came to rescue man from sin's destructive power and loss and to bring us back to His order of things. **Luke 19:10, 1 John 3:8-9**

God did not send His Son to establish a religion but relationship and a Kingdom. The dynamics of the Christian walk is not found in rituals or performance but in demonstration and power. **1 Corinthians 2:4, Romans 14:17, Romans 5:8-9**

The Kingdom of God is the core of the church's message. We are called to live in the Kingdom's life in the present, while still waiting and trusting for its final completion in the future.

We are told that the pre-eminent thing we are to do is seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. **Matthew 6:33** When the Kingdom of God is alive in us, all the benefits of the Kingdom are ours.

When we pray, we are taught to say Your Kingdom come, Your will be done. **Matthew 6:9-10** Literally, we are praying Lord ' have Your way '.

The essence of the Christian life is that Jesus is both Lord and Savior. One thing that is missing in most salvation teaching is that our Savior is either Lord of all or not at all. Most salvation pleas are focused on our need for forgiveness and completely leave out the idea of Lordship. **2 Peter 1:10-11, 2 Peter 3:17-18, 2 Peter 1:2, James 4:15**

To receive Christ is to receive the King and His rule and reign in, over and through our life and by our service. **Romans 12:1-2**

There is coming a day when the Spiritual Kingdom will be physically seen in the sense of a formal government. Today the Kingdom of God is established in the inner life of the believer. **Luke 17:20-21** We begin to establish things to their original order. We begin to reinstate the rulership and dominion originally intended for mankind. **Psalms 145:13, Psalm 103:22, Romans 6:14, Jude 1:25**

The Kingdom that God is establishing in and through us is an **eternal** - everlasting Kingdom.  
**Psalm 10:16, 1 Timothy 1:17**

Those who accept Christ as the ruler of their life have eternal life. We become a part of this everlasting, never ending Kingdom. **1 John 5:20, 1 John 2:25, John 17:3**

Jesus came to earth with a five fold purpose to restore Kingdom rule to this earth. This is a spiritual and **political** endeavor. The Kingdom of God is a Government. It is not a monarchy, a republic or a democracy, it is a **theocracy**. God ruled not man ruled (self-rule) or Satan's rulership. **Luke 1:33, Isaiah 9:6-7a**

**Jesus Five-fold Kingdom Purpose:**

1. To **reintroduce** the Kingdom of God on earth. To "re" means to do again. Man used to be in the Kingdom of God before the original rebellion. Virtually every word used in the Bible begins with this prefix. (redeem, repent, reconcile, resurrection, return, renew, reward). Man needs to become **familiar** with God's original plan. The original plan was that God would rule man and that man would rule earth in His name and under His **authority**. In order to do this man needs to know the mind and will of the Father. This only happens through the **Holy Spirit**. **John 14:16-17, 1 Corinthians 2:10-13** The Holy Spirit can not dwell in an impure vessel which leads to His second purpose.
2. To **restore** righteousness to mankind. Jesus came to restore holiness to us. Righteousness is not exclusively about what we do but who we are and whose we are. **2 Corinthians 5:21** A righteous person has right standing with the authorities. Jesus restores us to right standing with the Father. He does this through the forgiveness of our sins by His **blood**. Religion is man's system of do's and don'ts in their search for God. The blood restores **relationship**. Man cannot have relationship without purity. **Hebrews 12:14, 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13, 2 Peter 3:13, 1 Peter 1:17-19**
3. To restore the Holy Spirit **in** man. The Holy Spirit is the spiritual connection between us and the Kingdom of God. He fills us with power, guides us and leads us into the knowledge of the truth and brings to our remembrance the things that Jesus taught. **John 20:19-23** The Holy Spirit is our tutor, **counselor**, the One called alongside to help us accomplish God's will in our lives. He helps us to walk, talk, think, behave and lead like royalty. **John 14:16-17, 26, John 16:7, 13**
4. Jesus came to **retrain** mankind for Kingdom leadership. Jesus came to teach us how to think and act like God. Not become God but to become like Him. **John 14:5-10** Retraining us to act and think like children of the King is the most difficult part of Jesus' mission. We as a people have been separated so long from a holy environment we needed to know it again. After being slaves to sin we had to learn not only how to live free but how to lead and rule over His creation.
5. Jesus came to restore Kingdom **rulership** on the earth. God originally planned that to happen through Adam and Eve. Now we are to establish God's spiritual and political Kingdom on earth. We each become a stone in the "building" of God's Kingdom.  
**1 Peter 2:4-5, 9-10**