

# THE KINGDOM OF GOD: A PRESENT REALITY

Psalms 145:10-13

## I. WHAT IS THE KINGDOM?

- A. Abstract noun denoting sovereignty, royal power, dominion
  - 1. Denotes a territory or people over whom a king rules
  - 2. Sphere of God's rule
  - 3. The sphere in which at any given time, His rule is acknowledged
  - 4. Seeking willing obedience
- B. Kingdom both present and future
- C. When God asserts His rule universally, Kingdom will be in glory; will be manifest to all
- D. Kingdom of God in midst of you--where the King is, there is the kingdom

## II. TWO DOMAINS

- A. The visible world
  - 1. Theme of hopelessness
  - 2. Age of terror
  - 3. Economic disaster
  - 4. Tailspin in morality
  - 5. Shortages
- B. The invisible world
  - 1. Invisible world controls visible
    - a. Unrestricted, unlimited, infinite
    - b. Failure to recognize exists right now
    - c. Though invisible, it is real
  - 2. We have the ability to look from visible into invisible
    - a. Elisha
    - b. Look from world filled with impossibilities into one filled with possibilities

## III. SEEING THE KINGDOM

- A. Must be born again
  - 1. Rebirth the beginning
    - a. Provides access to invisible world
    - b. Worship and communicate in spirit and truth
  - 2. Great Commission
    - a. Make followers and learners
    - b. Teach principles of kingdom of God
  - 3. Learn how to live in this world
  - 4. Invisible to rule visible

## IV. ENTERING THE KINGDOM

- A. Walk in His will

B. Not all who say Lord, Lord shall enter the kingdom

## V. HOW KINGDOM WORKS

A. Absolute abundance in the Kingdom of God

1. Kingdom a sphere of total possibility  
2. God never diminished by circumstances--transcends laws of nature

3. His is total world

- a. Total health, total life
- b. Total energy, total strength
- c. Total provisions

B. Possible to have total favor with the ruler of that abundance

1. Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man

2. Grace - the unmerited favor of God

- a. Brings us into righteousness
- b. Allows us to stand before God
- c. If access to Father, have prospect of continuous blessing

3. When God's blessings are upon us

- a. Cause us to appear in light that far transcends our natural abilities
- b. Cause our plans to succeed
- c. Cause us to be preferred and chosen above others of equal talent
- d. Protect children; guard property

## VI. IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GOD

A. Have faith in God

B. Know who He is

C. Know what He is doing

D. Trust his favor is upon us

E. Participate with Him

## VII. DETERMINING THE WILL OF GOD AND DOING IT ON EARTH