

THE KINGS ROYAL SUBJECTS

"Jesus At the Center"

Matthew 6:33

INTRODUCTION:

1. THIS IS SO IMPORTANT:

a) God saved us to be His advertising agency.

2. **LISTEN UP:** As the King's Royal Subjects (Loyal and Obedient to the King), *we are to make His Kingdom so attractive* that observers not only admire them but are drawn to the Kingdom because of how impressive we look as **KING JESUS REPRESENTATIVES**.

3. That is why the primary concern of a disciple of Jesus Christ must be the promotion of God's Kingdom.

4. **THE LONGEST SERMON JESUS PREACHED** - while on earth is **THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT**.

a) Found in **Matthew 5-7**

I. THE CENTER OF KINGDOM LIVING

1. **Matthew 6:33** is the central verse in the SERMON ON THE MOUNT.

2. To experience life to its fullest...

a) "*and to experience all that God has for you...and created you to do*"

1) GOD AND HIS KINGDOM MUST BE FIRST

3. **THE PROBLEM IS THIS:** People just don't have time for God.

II. RE-ARRANGING PRORITIES

1. *Proverbs 3:9-10*

a) God is concerned with our offering Him the "First fruits" of what He has given us.

2. *Revelation 2:2-3* (Commendation)

a) *Vs 4* (Condemnation)

b) Their problem wasn't that they didn't do some good things.

1) Their problem was they left their first love.

3. **Colossians 1:18**

a) "**preeminent**" - 1st place

4. **Colossians 1:18 NLT**

a) "**so that He is first in everything**"

5. **Matthew 6:33**

6. When we do not seek the Kingdom (authority) of God first, **WE WILL NOT EXPERIENCE HIS KINGDOM BENEFITS.**

7. **Vs 33c**

a) "**and all these things shall be added unto you**"

1) That's conditional!!!!

III. HOW DO YOU KNOW?

1. **QUESTION:** Where do you turn when you have a decision to make?

2. **NOW BUCKEL UP!!!**

a) Getting God's perspective on a matter and the applying it to your situation, *is the primary revealer of God's position in your life and where you are as a disciple.*

3. **WOW!!!** There are a whole lot of people wondering why they aren't hearing from God or experiencing His abiding presence and victory in their lives.

a) **John 9:31**

b) **Psalm 66:18**

4. Here's God's answer to their question:

a) "**Because you came to me last!!!**"

b) "**In fact, you go you go to the world first!!!**"

1) "**And when none of that works, you come to me.**"

5. **THE KEY TO SUCCESS?** "**Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness**"

a) **AND THEN - "all these things will be added"**

IV. WHY ALL THE WORRY?

1. The Context of **Matthew 6:33** is critical to its understanding.

a) **Cf. Vs 19-24 NLT**

2. When we look @ the surrounding verses, we can see a recurring theme.

a) **Matthew 6:25-34** NLT

3. THE THEME OF THESE VERSES IS "WORRY"

4. **HERE'S the KEY idea:** God says if you will seek His Kingdom first and His Righteous standards first, He will willingly grant you all the things we all too often worry about.

5. **LISTEN UP:** Putting God first reduces our anxiety and worry.

6. **WORRY IS COMMON IN THE DAY IN WHICH WE LIVE.**

a) We worry about what's going on in our **country**.

b) We worry about the nuts around the **world**.

c) We worry about our **kids**.

d) We worry about the **future**.

e) We worry about our **health**.

f) We worry about what's in our **food, water, and the air we breathe**.

7. **WORRY IS A JOY KILLER!!!!!!!!!!!!**

a) WHAT'S THE ANSWER????

1) Vs 33

b) Vs 34

CONCLUSION:

1. **HAVE YOU LOOKED TO HONOR GOD FIRST??**

a) With your **money**?

b) With your **time**?

c) With your **talents**?

d) **WOW!!! With your Kids?**

2. Have you asked God for **WISDOM** and to know His **WILL**?

a) And how to **HONOR HIM IN EVERY SITUATION?**

3. **IF NOT THEN HAVE REASON TO WORRY**

4. **BUT IF YOU ASK GOD FOR WISDOM - You can REST BECAUSE GOD'S GOT IT.**