

# Who Is This Man?

Authorized User

## **John 14:1-6 (NLT)**

*"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. <sup>2</sup> There is more than enough room in my Father's home.<sup>[a]</sup> If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?<sup>[b]</sup><sup>3</sup> When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to where I am going."<sup>5</sup> "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?"<sup>6</sup> Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.*

Object Lesson: *Pull out your smartphone- It gives us access to everything...currency, directions hobbies, social media, and connections. There's an app for everything but It's protected with face idea. So, if I want to engage with what's on this phone, to be an authorized user, I've got to start with identification. My face ID.*

- They've been with him 3 and 1/2 years. They've watched all the miracles, the power, the healings, walking on water, raising the dead.
- **How?** Jesus had access to Heaven's Apps. Healing, power, direction, currency (faith), peace, authority, and anointing were at His disposal. Good News from Heaven!
- **Why?** When Jesus put His face in, He was the exact image of His Father. Being in the image of His Father gave Him authorization because of His identification.

## **Authorization begins with identification.**

## **Mark 1:14-15 (TPT)**

*14 Later on, after John the Baptizer was arrested, Jesus went back into the region of Galilee and preached the wonderful gospel of God's kingdom. 15 His message was this: "At last the fulfillment of the age has come! It is time for God's kingdom to be experienced in its fullness! Turn your lives back to God and put your trust in the hope-filled gospel!"*

- The Kingdom is the King's Domain. It's where the King has authority. We experience the Kingdom life when we identify with Christ.

## **Genesis 1:27-28 (NKJV)**

*<sup>27</sup> So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion...*

- If I want to dominate what's dominating me, I must identify with Jesus. If I want to experience the fruitfulness of the Kingdom, if I want to access all that God has for me

(healing, joy, purpose, calling) then when I put my face in His Kingdom smartphone, it's going to have to recognize Him.

#### **Kingdom Elements:**

- 1. King- Governing Ruler**
- 2. Territory- specific location with defined boundaries**
- 3. Citizens- people within the territorial jurisdiction** (representatives) John 14 "Guys, you've been reflecting me, I'm about to leave and I need you to represent me."
- 4. Laws- a form of government through which the will of the ruler is exercised.**
  - It is God's will for you to free, whole, joyful, healed, blessed.

#### **Matthew 6:10**

*Your Kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.*

- Know the difference: Heaven is a place while the Kingdom of Heaven is the entire territory in which the King rules.
- Jesus: "My assignment isn't to just get you into Heaven, it's to get Heaven into you!"

#### **Heaven isn't God's plan of escape. Heaven is God's plan of expansion.**

- He is raising up Authorized Users to expand His Kingdom rule. (Authorization begins with identification)

#### **Authorized Users Know the Way to the Kingdom**

- Jesus gives us directions to a place that we couldn't access without Him.
  - Jesus makes what's foreign; familiar and what's familiar; foreign.
  - There are not a lot of turns. Jesus is a straight shot. One turn, REPENT, for the Kingdom is at hand.
  - They wanted a path; Jesus showed them a Person.
- Jesus gives us instructions on how to experience the Kingdom.
  - He doesn't point, He leads.
  - Ex. You can have directions to IKEA, but you will need instructions on how to put together what you buy.
  - His WORD: We've been given full directions in the Word but won't access the instructions. Work the Word!
  - The Kingdom isn't a wish, it's a reality.
  - They wanted directions to a place called Heaven; Jesus gave them instructions on having Heaven wherever they went.
  - Ex. GPS "You have arrived" what? We can get so focused on the directions that we lose sight of the destination. (Jesus told the disciple "Come follow me" but they were continually distracted by where they were going.)

## Authorized Users Know the Truth of The Kingdom

### **John 14:9-11 (NLT)**

*<sup>9</sup> Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me. <sup>11</sup> Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of the work you have seen me do.*

- God has done works in your life. You need to look back at what He done.
- "Truth" here in the Greek means "to be uncovered or revealed" Jesus is saying I'm going to reveal part of me that you have not seen.
- Many times, information gets in the way of revelation. We process so many facts that it blocks our faith. Jesus is challenging them to look beyond what they've seen with their eyes and to see in the Spirit.
- You've been given natural eyes for information but spiritual eyes for revelation.
- I AM truth: He is the revealing of what is unseen. (The situation might be true, but God's promise is the truth, it might not look good, but His goodness and mercy follow me, the diagnosis might be bad, but the truth is I'm healed, my heart might be broken but He is close to the broken hearted....)
- We don't need my truth or your truth, we need Kingdom truth on earth and Jesus said I want to reveal it through you!
- Where He reveals His Kingdom, the King is now in charge of a territory full of representatives that exercise the will of the ruler. See the laws of Heaven override the laws of Earth: what was supposed to kill you, can't kill you; what was supposed to take you out, can't stop you.
- TRESPASSING! Everything that doesn't line up with God's Word is trespassing. (Cancer, failed marriages, anxiety, gender confusion, fear, depression.)
- How?? The Spirit of Truth

### **John 14:16-17 (NLT)**

*<sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate,<sup>[e]</sup> who will never leave you. <sup>17</sup> He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.<sup>[f]</sup>*

- Jesus must go so that they would stop missing Him and start being Him.
- So, they could see what He sees and know and what He knows.
- Example: (smartphones) Have you ever had to have a young person help you figure out stuff on your phone? You already had it on your phone, maybe you just needed an update. Jesus is introducing a software update to the disciples. The Holy Spirit is the new operating system and will give you access to the Kingdom.

## Authorized Users Have the Life of the Kingdom

### Verse 12

<sup>12</sup> *"I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father.*

### John 10:10 (NLT)

*I came that you may Have life...*

- Not outdo Jesus but You will continue my Kingdom-mission.
- It's one thing to LIVE life; it's another to HAVE life.
- Kingdom people are different. Culture tells everyone to live life, and even tells them *how* to live it, but in the kingdom of Heaven, the truth is you don't just live life, you have life.

### Galatians 2:20 NIV

*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

- Jesus identified with us on the cross, taking our sins and shame so that we could identify with His resurrection, giving us full access to the Kingdom.

## In Christ, you are an Authorized User!