

## **We are saved by believing into the Lord.**

**John 3:16** - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that **everyone who believes into Him would not perish**, but would have eternal life.

**Mark 16:16** - **He who believes and is baptized shall be saved**, but he who does not believe shall be condemned.

**Romans 10:10** - For with the heart there is **believing unto righteousness**, and with the mouth there is confession unto salvation.

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## **In believing in the Lord, we also receive life.**

**John 3:16** - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that **everyone who believes into Him** would not perish, but **would have eternal life**.

**1 John 5:13** - I have written these things to you that you may know that **you have eternal life**, to **you who believe into the name of the Son of God**.

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## **We received Jesus**

**John 14:6** Jesus said to him, **I am** the way and the reality and **the life**; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

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## **We are the Children of God**

**John 1:12** - But as many as **received Him**, to them He gave authority to **be children of God**, to those who **believe on His name**

**John 1:13** - Who were **begotten** not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of **God**.

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## **How does this relate to the Kingdom?**

There are **two** ways that the word kingdom can be used:

**In biology, it is a way to classify and separate different kinds of life.**

Those in the Plant Kingdom have a plant life.

Those in the Animal Kingdom have an Animal life.

The life of God also has a kingdom - the Kingdom of God.

**The second meaning of kingdom is as in a nation** - with a head of state and citizens.  
The head of state of the Kingdom of God is God.  
We receive citizenship when we first believed.

**We who believe are in the kingdom of God!**

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**What kind of life did we have before being saved?**

**We were dead**

**Eph. 2:1** - And you, though dead in your offenses and sins,

**Col 1:13** - Who delivered us out of the **authority of darkness** and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

**John 8:44** - You are **of your father the devil**, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks the lie, he speaks it out of his own possessions; for he is a liar and the father of it.

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**What now?**

**Grow!**

**1 Pet. 2:2** - As **newborn babes**, long for the guileless milk of the word in order that by it you may **grow** unto salvation,

**Eph. 4:13** - Until **we all arrive** at the oneness of the faith and of the full knowledge of the Son of God, at a **full-grown** man, at the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,