

The Kingdom Kingdom People Matthew 6:33

The Kingdom: God's comprehensive rule over all creation.

How can we live in harmony with this kingdom and experience all that the King has for us?

"The key to kingdom success is found in this simple word: 'first.' The power of kingdom living is found when the rule of God takes priority in every area of your life." **Tony Evans**

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." **Matthew 6:33**

Main Idea: Kingdom People Put the Kingdom of God FIRST in Every Area of Life

Six Aspects of a Kingdom Person:

I. Priorities of Kingdom People

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." **Matthew 22:37**

"If you fail to seek God's kingdom and His righteousness first, all else is for naught. God has established His rightful place as first, and without it you are on your own." **Tony Evans**

II. Growth in Kingdom People

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen." **2 Peter 3:18**

God has given you four gifts to help with Kingdom Growth: 1) Scripture, 2) Holy Spirit, 3) Trials, 4) Kingdom People.

III. Calling of Kingdom People

"One reason people can't find their calling is because they are trying to make the call themselves, to determine their own calling. But a calling always assumes a caller." **Tony Evans**

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you." **John 15:16**

IV. Minds of Kingdom People

"A kingdom mind looks at all of reality from a spiritual or divine viewpoint. A person with a kingdom mind views life through the 'glasses' of the Holy Spirit." **Tony Evans**

"The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. 'For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?' But we have the mind of Christ." **1 Corinthians 2:14-16**

V. Resources of Kingdom People

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth & rust destroy & where thieves break in & steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys & where thieves do not break in & steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." **Matthew 6:19-21**

VI. Inheritance of Kingdom People

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places." **Ephesians 1:3**

There are two keys to experiencing the fullness of God's inheritance in your life:

- **Kingdom:** Become a Kingdom Person through faith in Jesus
- **First:** Unleash the sufficient power of God by putting his Kingdom first in all areas of your life

On this Palm Sunday, you can become a Kingdom Person.

Sources & Further Reading Opportunities:

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- *The Kingdom Agenda* – Tony Evans (2013)