

## The Kingdom Regulations of the Kingdom

Isaiah 33:22

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

*"For the LORD is our judge; the LORD is our lawgiver; the LORD is our king; he will save us."* **Isaiah 33:22**

**Main Idea:** **The Regulations of the Kingdom come Straight from the King**

**Options:** For creatures like us to understand our creator, there are only two options: 1) **Speculation** or 2) **Revelation**. The first makes us out to be kings and queens; the second is what our good King has graciously provided!

**Two Revelations of Regulation in the Kingdom of God**

### I. Regulations in Natural World

*"For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse."* **Romans 1:19-20**

*"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork."* **Psalms 19:1**

*"Humans cannot open their eyes without being compelled to see God."*  
**John Calvin**

### II. Regulations in Scriptural Truth

*"The Bible has suffered more from the ignorance of its friends than the attacks of its enemies."* **Anonymous**

**Five Things to Know About the Scriptures:**

- **They are Good:** *"Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him."* **Proverbs 30:5**
- **They are from God:** *"All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness."* **2 Timothy 3:16**
- **They are Purifying:** *"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you."* **Psalm 119:11**
- **They are Powerful:** *"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."* **Hebrews 4:12**

- **They are Sufficient:** *"That the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."* **2 Timothy 3:17**

**Sola Scriptura:** Scripture alone is our highest authority (i.e.: Supreme Court)

Just as there are consequences for breaking Kingdom regulations in the natural world, there are consequences for breaking Kingdom regulations in Scripture truth. And we are all guilty!

*"For the wages of sin is death..."* **Romans 6:23a**

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We have broken the regulations of the Kingdom and are guilty before the King, yet he is the one who will save us. How? Through a third type of revelation: 1) Nature, 2) Scriptures, and 3) His Son!

*"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."* **Romans 6:23**

**Inv:** Jesus, God's son, lived the perfect life and died a substitutionary death to reconcile us to the God we had offended. The King made peace with his rebellious subjects at great cost to himself...That's the Gospel!

**Read This Together:**

*"The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;  
The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;  
The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;  
The rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.  
More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
Sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.  
Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.  
Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.  
Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;  
Let them not have dominion over me!  
Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.  
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
Be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer."*  
**Psalm 19:7-19**

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