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REALM

Rediscovering the Spiritual World of the Bible



Reclaiming God's Kingdom

When Heaven and Earth Collide



What makes up a kingdom?

Earthly kingdoms have specific details

- They have established rulers (kings, princes, etc)
- They have subjects (citizens, servants, slaves,)
- They have armies (to protect and advance their kingdom)
- They have geography and boundaries (kingdom location)

The unseen realm has kingdoms also!



Satan and demons have temporary reign on the earth

- John 12:31 The prince of this world
- John 14:30 The prince of this world
- John 16:11 The prince of this world
- Ephesians 2:2 Ruler of the kingdom of the air



“The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”

2 Corinthians 4:4 NIV

The demonic influence on humanity

- They can tempt you so that you might sin
- They can deceive you so we will replace the truth for lies
- Demons and unclean spirits can oppress you
- Demons can possess people
- They want souls for their kingdom

Satan and his demons know time is running out and they are desperate

Our Hope is in King Jesus

The King of Heaven came to earth on a rescue mission

The kingdom has come

“In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

“I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”

Matthew 3:1-2, 11 NIV

“As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

Matthew 3:16-17 NIV

The time the “prince” tempted King Jesus

“Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, “*If you are the Son of God*, tell these stones to become bread.” Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every Word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Matthew 4:1-4 NIV

Second Temptation

“Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. *“If you are the Son of God,”* he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written: ‘He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’” Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Matthew 4:5-7 NIV

Third Temptation

“Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’” Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.”

Matthew 4:8-11 NIV

Jesus began his rescue mission

“to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.” From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

Matthew 4:14, 16-17 NIV

He began to set the captives free

“Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.”

Matthew 4:23-25 NIV

A sunset over a landscape with three crosses on a hill. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene. The sky is filled with orange and yellow clouds. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of hills and three crosses of varying heights on a prominent hill. The text is overlaid on the top half of the image.

His work was finished at the cross,
but ours has just begun

“having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; He has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having *disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.*”

Colossians 2:14-15 NIV