

SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM

Thy Kingdom come on earth, Thy will be done as it is in heaven. Christ Revealed, Church Reformed, City Rebuilt

The Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy. God will back us up if we live in righteousness. Then we will have peace and joy because of righteousness. When we have righteousness we will have peace and joy and from peace and joy we will have prosperity.

What does it mean for the Kingdom of God to come on earth?

When God's Kingdom manifest, all that He is doing up there will start doing through our lives.

Mat 6:33 *But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.*

Don't worry about tomorrow because today all these things will be added to us; health, wealth, good family, husband, wife, children, security, hope, better future, etc. There is nothing wrong to look for money but doing it the wrong way will destroy our lives. It is nothing wrong to have a good house but we must have all the resources. God does not take away from us. He adds. He wants health and peace to reach us. God wants to add things into our lives; strength, energy, etc.

Seek first the Kingdom of God. Once we seek first the Kingdom everything will fall in place. The problem with us is that we think that the world gives us everything. When God gives us something, He has the way to fulfill it. When He says He will bless us, He will bless us through His ways, not our ways.

Most people think if they don't do a job, money will not come. Our God can make all things happen and nothing is impossible. Make the choice to live the Kingdom lifestyle. The problem is that we live the wrong way and not living the accurate way and wonder why things do not happen. God is not at fault. We are because we keep seeking our own way.

The Kingdom is in the midst of us. How do we seek it and how to make it happen?

1. Born into the Kingdom

We are born in Malaysia and we have the privileges of the nations. If we are born in Singapore, we will have the privileges of the nation of Singapore. Everything that happens for us in Malaysia must be a blessing for us.

Eph 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies in Christ;

When we start to live Kingdom lifestyle, righteousness, peace and joy will be our fruits. All these things that the world is looking for will be given to us in due time. God wants us to live in a good house. There is no glory if the rain is pouring and the roof is leaking. God does not want us to drive a car that will stop half way. The best must come God's way. In Him, God has given to us all spiritual blessing and earthly blessing.

Eph 1:13 in whom also you, hearing the Word of Truth, the gospel of our salvation, in whom also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,

When we listen to the message of Truth, the gospel of salvation, and receive Jesus into our heart, we are born into the Kingdom. We will be now a child of the Living God and not the children of darkness. We are transferred from one zone into another zone.

Col 1:13 For He has delivered us from the power of darkness and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son;

When we are born again into the Kingdom, God removed us from the domain of darkness. The devil does not have a kingdom, just domain. Whatever we give the devil, he will be in charge. If we give our lives to God, God will be in charge. He wants to give us the best once we are saved. Every one of us has a pathway we can go all the way.

When we are born into the Kingdom, we don't own everything. Just like when we are born in Malaysia, we don't own everything of Malaysia. We have parents, go to school, find a job, etc. We have to grow up.

2. See the Kingdom

Joh 3:3 Jesus answered and said to him, Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Heb 12:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear,

If we cannot see the Kingdom, we cannot run towards it. Before the sport's day or the event, we will look at the prize and cause the excitement for us to win. After we are born again and God shows us the Kingdom, what to reach for, and what is available, we will not be running around to look for other things. Most Christians run away here and there because they don't know what God

offers. Most Christians are short sighted. Jesus is crowned King and He is the King of kings. We are a Kingdom of priests and kings. When we are born again, we will qualify for the Kingdom and we can go for the best. In the Kingdom is a place of great freedom where we can live our lives to the full extend. If we find wealth in the Kingdom, we are not cursed.

Once we are born again and God offers the Kingdom, listen to us and do what He says, He will give us the best; His Son and His Kingdom. His Kingdom is not the world and not cheap things. If we can capture this, our lives will change. If we are born into the Kingdom we can see the Kingdom. The gates of the Kingdom will be opened.

Mat 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, Lord! Lord! shall enter the kingdom of Heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in Heaven.

3. Enter the Kingdom

We enter the Kingdom by doing the will of the Father. This is the access code. Most Christians do what they like. When we do with our own ways, the door will be shut. How long will the door stay shut? Until we choose to do His will.

We must find out what does God want in our life, family, brother, and sister. Just like playing the video game we go up to different level when we reached certain marks. We must find the way to do it, and not just pray about it. If we don't find the way, nothing will happen.

It's nice to think of having a cake but if we don't have the ingredients, make the dough, cry, laugh and etc nothing will happen if we don't put our hands to it. We must do the will of the father. We cannot have our own brand of instructions. A lot of times Christians don't follow instructions. They just read the bible and try to lower the standard of God. If we cheat, we will not the sense of achievement. The reason God blesses us is because of obedience. Obedience is better than sacrifice. Money will not save us. Obedience will.

Mat 13:19 When anyone hears the Word of the kingdom and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and catches away that which was sown in his heart. This is the seed sown by the wayside.

When anyone hears the word of the Kingdom and don't understand, the devil will be ready to take everything out from our hands. When we don't understand, we will not know the way. Then the devil will take away the seed. When there is no seed, there will be no beginning of life. If we let the devil take away the seed, there will be no harvest. Every Sunday we gather seeds. If it is

good seed, we will get a good tree. However if we don't understand, we will let the seed go and we will not have trees and harvest. The potential harvest is there in one seed. In the seed is life and abundance. If we don't obey and don't understand, we will not enter. Just do it, and we will enter. We don't have to know a lot of things in the bible. Whatever we know, just do it. When God wants to prosper His people, He will know who to bless.

Once we live in the Kingdom, we must obey the Kingdom rules. We cannot enter unless we are prepared to be obedient. When we start to live in the Kingdom and do what God wants, He will cleanse us and make us better.

4. Be cleansed in the Kingdom

When we buy fish from the market, we don't cook it straight away. We clean the fish. We have to cut the fish and the fish must be ready to be cooked. God wants us to enter into the Kingdom and after that He will cleanse us. He will change us and change our character. The more He changes us the higher we will go. Each time He cleanses us, we will go to the next level. He will cut off the old and we start with the new. We will realize that our heart will change and we will think first before we talk. If we are not cleansed, we cannot get nearer. A lot of people stopped changing and that's when they start doing wrong things. The more spiritual we are, the more we can exercise the power of God in our lives.

Mat 13:41 The Son of Man shall send out His angels, and they shall gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who do iniquity,

God must wash us and clean us every day of our thoughts and actions. God won't use someone who is useless. If we are the captain of the soccer team, we will want to look for the best. We don't choose on terms of relatives or friends. We choose the best. It is always worth to live a pure life because God will always look for the best. God will always promote the best.

5. Qualify in the Kingdom

In order to be qualified in the Kingdom, God has to cleanse us. The purer we become the higher we will gold. The purer the gold the softer the gold is and it can be bent and shaped. Pure gold is soft and can be shaped easily. Who qualifies us? The Father will come one day into our lives and mark us out. He is not looking for regular Christians but Christians who will raise the standard; study His Word and do what He tells us to do.

6. Inherit the Kingdom

The Kingdom is now ours. We cannot get the gold medal until we qualify for it. When we run the race, we must win the race or else we don't qualify the prize. We can enjoy Christian life and enjoy the best life by doing the right things. We cannot enjoy the right things by doing the wrong things.

What we need this year is to have God's Kingdom come down and inherit the Kingdom and our future will change. We want a great future, we can make it happen. No one in the world can give it to us. When Heaven comes down, His glory will fill the earth. Don't fool around. Make it work.

God will make our name great and strong. Most Christians don't know what God has prepared for us. If we know, we will not surrendering it to sin and live carelessly.

Set our family, finance, our heart, behavior, and life in order. Let understanding come in our life. We must choose which kingdom to remain; our kingdom, kingdom of darkness or God's Kingdom. We must choose to do what is right.