



THE KINGDOM IS ... -1 COR 15:20-28

A. Introduction

We want to discover or re-discover what it looks like to live in the Kingdom of God

- So that God will be glorified
- Our joy will be full
- The nations of the earth will see, know and believe that Jesus alone is Lord!!

B. 11 Questions We Want to Answer About the Kingdom of God

1. Why did Jesus speak about it so much?
2. What is the Kingdom of Jesus? Can we define it?
3. What does it have to do with our discipleship/follower-ship of Jesus?
4. Why does it appear so far away? (sin and suffering)
5. How is the kingdom of God structured?
6. Are there other “kingdoms” in this world?
7. Am I a citizen of the Kingdom of God and if so is it making a difference in my life and the life of others? (purpose)
8. What are the “rules” of the Kingdom?
9. What kind of King is Jesus?
10. How does the kingdom change the way I think and act?
11. Why is the kingdom now but not yet?

C. What is the Kingdom?

- The Trinitarian God of Scripture has REIGNED and will REIGN forever
 - Psalms 103:19
 - What does reign mean?
 - Dominion, Rule, Govern, Authority, Wielded Power
- Jesus Rules!
 - No corner of anything, no molecule that has ever existed is outside of the Rule of Jesus Christ our Lord
 - Daniel 4:34b-35
- The Kingdom of God is the Reign/Rulership of God so Jesus is the King of the Kingdom-1 Cor. 15:20-28

D. The Kingdom has Citizens

- Those saved by Jesus
 - New Citizenship-Ruled by Jesus alone
 1. Must understand His Kingdom
 2. Must obey and submit to Him
 3. True Joy
 - Philippians 3:20-21
- Ephesians 2:19-22

E. The Father's Good Pleasure is to Give His Citizens The Kingdom

- Luke 12:32
- It's important for us to know
 - We want self-esteem
 - God wants us to have the KINGDOM!!