



Kingdom of God 1

Week 1: Overview

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Introduction

- Importance of the Kingdom
- Background on VBI
- Course objectives
- Course activities

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TIME OF DAY	ATM	RUNNING TIME
#10	SALVATION	7
# 9	RAISING THE DEAD	8 (3 PEOPLE)
# 8	REPENT	25
# 7	DELIVERANCE	28
# 6	SIN	30
# 5	FORGIVE	37
# 4	LOVE	40
# 3	SIGNS / WONDERS	46
# 2	HEALING	83
# 1	KINGDOM	113
REFERENCES IN THE GOSPELS		

Heavenly and earthly reality

Heavenly

John 18:36: 'Jesus said, 'My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place.'

Matthew 8:11: I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven

Earthly

Luke 22:29-30: And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Acts 1:6-8: So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you;

Rev. 11:15 The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever."

Future and present reality

Future

Luke 19:11 While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. ¹²He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. ¹³So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas....

Present

Matthew 12:28: But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.

Internal and external reality

Internal

Luke 17:20-21: Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, ²¹nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you."

Matthew 5:1 Blessed are the poor in Spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 3:2, 4:17, Mark 1:15: Repent for the Kingdom of heaven is near.

External

Matthew 9:35: Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

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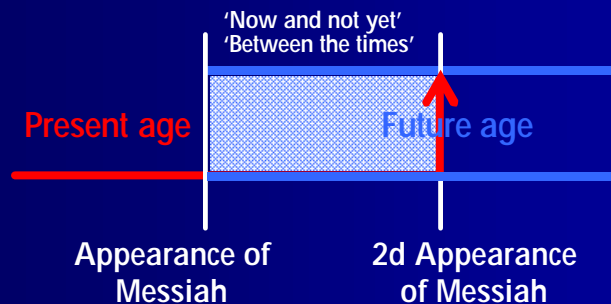
'Kingdom' defined

Greek *basileia*:
sovereignty, authority, rule, reign

- Person
- Territory and Subjects



'Now and now yet': 1 John 3:2



God's Kingdom breaks into our dimension

- God
- Eternal
- Immortal
- Invisible
- Spirit
- All knowing
- All present
- All powerful
- Good and perfect
- Loving and righteous
- Creator
- King



Unifying theology of scripture

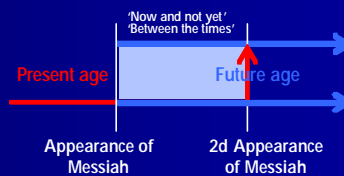
■ Covenant theology

ETERNAL COVENANT OF REDEMPTION				
Covenant of works		Covenant of Grace		Eternal State
Man in the garden	The Fall	The Old Covenant	The New Covenant	

■ Dispensational theology

Innocence	Conscience	Human Government	Promise	Law	Grace	Kingdom
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■ Kingdom theology



Overview of Course

Old Testament

- The Lord is king.
- The Lord will become king.

New Testament

- The kingdom of God will come.
- The kingdom of God has come.
- The kingdom of God is coming immediately.
- The kingdom of God is delayed.

Overview of Course

Old Testament

- Pictures of the Kingdom
 - Exodus*
 - Sinai covenant*
 - Conquest and Davidic Kingdom*
- Promises of the Kingdom
 - Isaiah*
 - Daniel*

New Testament

- Fulfillment of the Kingdom
- Mystery of the Kingdom
- Centrality of Christ
- Implications of the Kingdom
- Bringing in the Kingdom
- Acts of Intervention

'So what???'

- 1. Vineyard value**
- 2. Basis for teaching**
- 3. Basis for prayer**
- 4. Basis for healing, deliverance, signs, wonders**
- 5. Basis for evangelism**