

Kingdom Living—
Where Do We Go From Here?

“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 14:17)

Introduction:

Acts 1:3 (NLT), “During the forty days after His crucifixion, He appeared to the apostles from time to time, and He proved to them in many ways that He was actually alive. And He talked to them about the Kingdom of God.”

1. The King of the kingdom of God is:

2. The King wants us to be:

Acts 1:6 (NLT), “So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking him, ‘Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?’”

1. We must give up our limited views:

Acts 8:12 (NLT), “But now the people believed Philip's message of Good News concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ. As a result, many men and women were baptized.”

1. It is because of our verbal sharing:

Acts 14:22,(NLT) “...where they strengthened the believers. They encouraged them to continue in the faith, reminding them that we must suffer many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God.”

1. We have a responsibility:

2 Peter 1:10-11 (NLT), “So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away. Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

1. We don't earn our citizenship into the Kingdom:

1 Thessalonians 2:12, "...we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into His own kingdom and glory."

1. It is a marvelous privilege and a sobering responsibility:

Acts 28:31, "He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance."

1. Our circumstances are our opportunity to:

2 Timothy 4:18 (NLT), "Yes, and the Lord will deliver me from every evil attack and will bring me safely into his heavenly Kingdom. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen."

1. Every child of the Kingdom:

Conclusion:

*Revelation 12:10-11 (NLT), "Then I heard a loud voice shouting across the heavens, "It has come at last—
salvation and power
and the Kingdom of our God,
and the authority of His Christ.
For the accuser of our brothers and sisters
has been thrown down to earth—
the one who accuses them
before our God day and night.*

*And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb
and by their testimony.
And they did not love their lives so much
that they were afraid to die.*