

God's Kingdom #1

The Prominence, Magnitude and Importance of God's Kingdom!



God's Kingdom is an Eternal Kingdom!

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. Psalms 145:13a NIV See Obadiah 1:21, Psalms 145:13a, Daniel 4:34b, Luke 1:31-33, Revelation 11:15, Micah 4:7.

* God's People Rejected Him as King: 1 Samuel 8:7-8

What Makes a Kingdom a Kingdom? Four main elements for every Kingdom:

1. A King - Jesus Messiah is the King of Kings!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9-11 NIV See Ephesians 1:20-21, Isaiah 9:6-7, Acts 2:30-32, 1 Timothy 6:15 & Hebrews 1:3-4.

On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: **king of kings** and lord of lords. Revelation 19:16 NIV See Revelation 17:14.

But the holy people of the Most High will receive <u>the kingdom</u> and will possess it forever—yes, for ever and ever.' Daniel 7:18 NIV See Daniel 713-27

2. A Kingdom - The Kingdom of God Is a Spiritual Kingdom! Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place." John 18:36 NIV

"My kingdom is not of this realm." John 18:36b NASB

3. Laws - Scripture, Christ's Commands, Law of the Spirit!

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. John 14:15-17 NIV See 1 John 4:7-8 and 1 John 5:3.

For the <u>law of the Spirit</u> of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:2 ESV

³⁴ "<u>A new command</u> I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34 NIV See The Greatest Commandment – Mark 12:28-31

¹² So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 7:12 NIV

⁸ If you really keep the <u>royal law</u> found in Scripture, "<u>Love your neighbor as yourself</u>," you are doing right. James 2:8 NIV Leviticus 19:18, Matthew 19:19, Matthew 22:39, Mark 12:30-31, Luke 10:27, Romans 13:9, Galatians 5:14 See the meaning of the Royal Law in Matthew 5:21-48.

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will **fulfill the law of Christ**. Galatians 6:2 NIV See 1 Corinthians 9:21, James 2:8

4. Citizens - People of God's Kingdom, His Church!

³ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. John 3:3,5 NIV See Matthew 18:1-4 & Ephesians 2:19.

¹⁹Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, Ephesians 2:19 NIV

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33 NIV