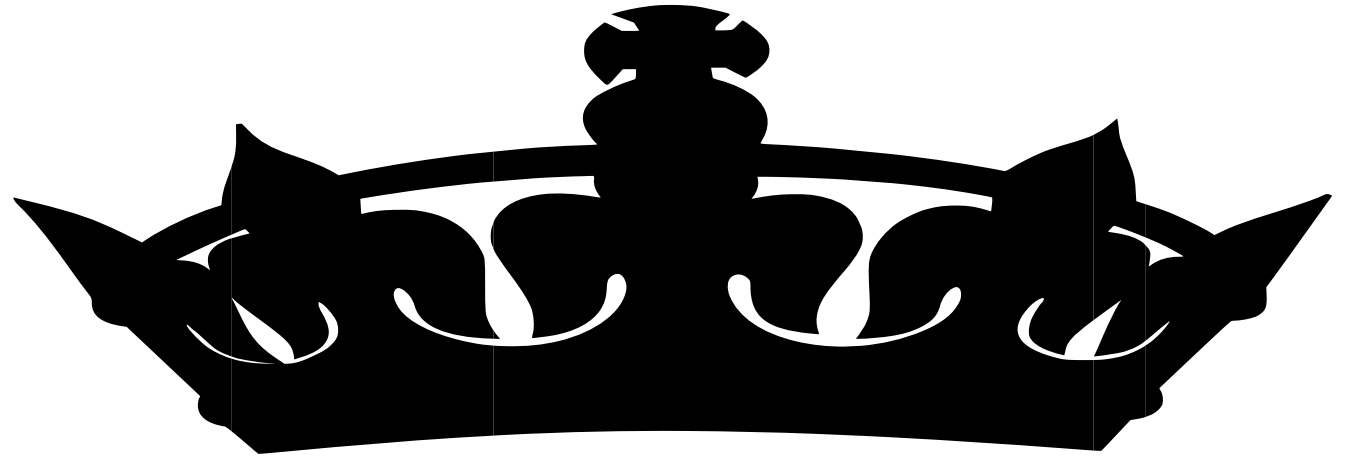


MODULE 7: THE KINGDOM OF GOD

WEEK 2: THE ALREADY BUT NOT FULLY MANIFESTED
KINGDOM OF GOD



The timeline: Creation...the fall...Christ came...the Church...His return...Millennial reign of Christ...new heavens and new earth

- The mandate as ambassadors of heaven; failure of Adam and eve to keep it; the timeline put in place to restore it.



• Transfer of authority and power to Satan and the fallen angels

Prophecy of Jesus

The world without our King



You cannot have a King without a Kingdom, or a Kingdom without a King



- ***Psalms 45:6*** *Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.*
- ***Isaiah 43:15*** *"I am the Lord, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."*
- ***Daniel 2:44*** *And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.*

Our King Jesus

- **John 18:33-39** Then Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered him, “Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?” ³⁵Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?”
- ³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here.”
- ³⁷Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?” Jesus answered, “You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this
cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.”
- ³⁸Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?”
- **Phil. 2:7-13** ...but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.
- ⁹Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Before Jesus physically came to earth:

- Babel...70 nations...Israel was God's portion
- God built a nation, a kingdom out of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob
- ***Isaiah 19:24*** *In that day Israel will be one of three with Egypt and Assyria—a blessing in the midst of the land, ²⁵whom the Lord of hosts shall bless, saying, “Blessed is Egypt My people, and Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel My inheritance.”*
- ***Isaiah 41:8-9*** *“But you, Israel, are My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the descendants of Abraham My friend. ⁹You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called from its farthest regions, and said to you, ‘You are My servant, I have chosen you and have not cast you away...’”*

Before Christ came:

- Isaiah 43:1-4, Exod. 4:22-23, Deut. 32:7-10
- Sovereignty and stewardship. God still remained Judge of the nations.
- Ambassadors of God's Kingdom: The faithful lineage, the believing, those in covenant, prophets, Israel's kings.



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When Christ came:

- **Acts 3:18-21** *But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled.
¹⁹Repent therefore and be converted... that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.*
- **Mark 1:14-15** *Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”*

The King came preaching the kingdom of God

- **Luke 4:43** *but He said to them, “I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent.”*
- **Luke 8:1** *Now it came to pass, afterward, that He went through every city and village, preaching and bringing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with Him...*
- **Mark 1:12-15** *Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness. ¹³And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him. ¹⁴Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”*

Jesus taught and demonstrated the Kingdom

- **Acts 1:1-2** *The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, ²until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen...*
- He explained the Father and His relationship with mankind. He explained the Kingdom. He showed the ways of heaven, which were love, forgiveness, mercy, wisdom, deliverance from demonic control and oppression, overcoming lies of the darkness, healing the sick, raising the dead, contending with the effects of the curse on the earth and mankind.

Jesus set the precedent

- The Church carries on His mandate to usher in the Kingdom of God into the earth until He comes again. We are now His ambassadors, with the help of the Holy Spirit, working together for the will of God to be done in the earth.
- **Matt. 6:10** *“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”*
- **John 14:14-18** *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask anything in My name, I will do it. ¹⁵“If you love Me, keep My commandments. ¹⁶And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— ¹⁷the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.”*

• The Kingdom of God is like...

