



#2 - THE KINGDOM: WHERE? WHEN? WHAT?

? _____ WOULD THE KINGDOM COME?

You, Bethlehem of Ephrathah, even though you remain least among the clans of Judah, nevertheless, the one who rules in Israel for me will emerge from you. His existence has been from antiquity, even from eternity. **Micah 5:2** (ISV)

Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your King is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet He is humble, riding on a donkey--riding on a donkey's colt. **Zechariah 9:9** (NLT)

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. ³² And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance..." **Joel 2:28, 32a** (NIV)

The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit by me at my right side until I put your enemies under your control." ² The Lord will make you king in Jerusalem over all nations. And you will rule your enemies in their own countries. **Psalms 110:1, 2** (ICB)

? _____ WOULD THE KINGDOM COME?

"During the time of the kings of the fourth kingdom, the God of heaven will set up another kingdom that will continue forever. It will never be destroyed. And it will be the kind of kingdom that cannot be passed on to another group of people. This kingdom will crush all the other kingdoms. It will bring them to an end, but that kingdom itself will continue forever. **Daniel 2:44** (ERV)

The LORD All-Powerful says, "I am sending my messenger to prepare the way for me. Then suddenly, the Lord you are looking for will come to his temple. Yes, the messenger you are waiting for, the one who will tell about my agreement, is really coming! **Malachi 3:1** (ERV)

But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary...." ³¹ You will become pregnant and give birth to a son. You must name him Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king like

his father David of long ago. ³³ He will rule forever over his people, who came from Jacob's family. His kingdom will never end." **Luke 1:30-33** (NIV)

In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was, ² "Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near." ³ The prophet Isaiah was speaking about John when he said, "He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the LORD's coming! Clear the road for him!'" **Matthew 3:1-3** (NLT)

From then on, Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, because the kingdom from heaven is near!" **Matthew 4:17** (ISV)

Jesus went on to say, "I tell you the truth, some standing here right now will not die before they see the Kingdom of God arrive in great power!" **Mark 9:1** (NLT)

? _____ IS THE KINGDOM?

- It is God's _____ and _____ people: The _____ of God.

He has enabled you to share in the inheritance that belongs to his people, who live in the light. ¹³ For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, ¹⁴ who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins.. **Colossians 1:12- 14** (NLT)

... you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. ...for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. **1 Peter 2:9** (NLT)

- "Church" comes from the Greek *ekklesiá*, meaning "_____."

Then Peter stood up with the eleven apostles. In a loud voice he said to them, "Men of Judea and everyone living in Jerusalem! You must understand this, so pay attention to what I say..." ¹⁶ ...this is what the prophet Joel spoke about: ¹⁷ 'In the last days, God says, I will pour my Spirit on everyone. Your sons and daughters will speak what God has revealed. Your young men will see visions. Your old men will dream dreams....' ³³ Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. ³⁴ For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, "The Lord said to my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand...'" **Acts 2:14-16, 33-34** (NIV)

Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah." ³⁷ When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off--for all whom the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." **Acts 2:36-40** (NIV)