

“The Kingdom”

The Lord told me to immerse myself in what He is saying and victory will emerge. Stay focused on the promises of God, stay in faith and we will experience progression, advancement, promotion and our highest expectations fulfilled!

Earlier this year the Lord said that we will see **Matthew 6:33** produce more than every before.

Matthew 6:30-34 Ampc. *“But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and green and tomorrow is tossed into the furnace, **will He not much more** surely clothe you, O you of little faith?³¹ Therefore do not worry and be anxious, saying, What are we going to have to eat? or, What are we going to have to drink? or, What are we going to have to wear?³² For the Gentiles (heathen) wish for and crave and diligently seek all these things, and your heavenly Father knows well that you need them all.³³ But seek ^[z]aim at and strive after **first of all His kingdom and His righteousness** ^[aa]His way of doing and being right), and **then all these things** ^[ab]taken together will be given you besides.³⁴ So do not worry or be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will have worries and anxieties of its own. **Sufficient for each day** is its own trouble.”*

So, I have been digging back into the kingdom of God. God’s original plan was to extend His heavenly Kingdom on a physical planet called earth. God’s intent was to create a family to accomplish the extension of His Kingdom on the earth.

God’s strategy was to fill His family with His Spirit so they would stay connected to Him in Heaven and they can extend His Kingdom on earth. The connection of His Kingdom coming to earth is His Spirit, the Holy Spirit.

His first assignment for mankind was to have dominion.

Genesis 1:26-28 NKJV *“Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them **have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over ^[z]all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” ²⁷ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ Then **God blessed them**, and God said to them, “**Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion** over*

the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that [w]moves on the earth."

Image -tsekem- essential nature; copy; characteristic; true substance

Likeness- is exact duplication in kind. The exact duplication is a little lower because it's a duplication. To function like He does (**Ephesians 5:1**)

Dominion- radah- govern, rule, control, master, have authority, to lead

Here is how we dominate. **Be Fruitful**-productive; **Multiply**-reproduce your productivity; **Replenish or fill**-distribute; **subdue**- control and have **dominion**. This is our mandate. **Dominion** means *to govern, to rule, to control, To master, to have authority over and To lead.*

The fall of man wasn't a fall from heaven, or denomination but from dominion. He fell From his assignment on the earth.

The purpose of and goal of redemption was to restore man back to where he fell from. God's strategy to restore man was to come Himself and pay the redemptive price. He came in the body of Jesus Christ. He came to reconnect us back to dominion. He had to get His Holy Spirit back in man in order for man to dominate again.

When man disobeyed the Holy Spirit left the spirit of man and Heaven was no longer connected to earth. So the children were no longer in touch with their Father so they couldn't carry out His instructions or desires because they didn't have a connection any longer. Jesus came to reintroduce the Holy Spirit back to man.

The Holy Spirit can't be put in an unholy vessel so God has to clean man up by His blood before the Holy Spirit could enter again. God had to shed pure blood that is not sinful. That's why He had to find a virgin to conceive a seed that was pure and sinless. **Jesus came to restore dominion.**

Colossians 1:12-14 Ampc. *"Giving thanks to the Father, Who **has** qualified and made us fit to share the [w]portion **which is the inheritance** of the saints (God's holy people) in the Light.¹³ [The Father] **has** delivered and [w]drawn us to Himself out of the control and the **dominion of darkness** and **has** transferred us into the **kingdom of the Son** [w]of His love,¹⁴ In Whom we have our redemption through His blood, [which means] the forgiveness of our sins."*

The inheritance is the life of God. It is being made righteous. We are delivered from dominion of darkness which is satans domain, satans way of doing things and brought into His kingdom, His way of doing. The only way into His kingdom is by being made right.

2 Corinthians 5:17,21 Ampc. *“Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is **a new creation** (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!*

New creation is in GK- a new species of being. Something that has never existed before. Just like a child is born and there never has been anyone like him before. The reason for this new creation is so the fellowship between man and God could be restored. You are not remodeled you are new.

21 *For our sake He made Christ [virtually] to be sin Who knew no sin, so that in and through Him **we might become** [en^dued with, viewed as being in, and examples of] **the righteousness of God** [what we ought to be, approved and acceptable and in right relationship with Him, by His goodness].”*

He was made sin with our sin and we are made righteous with His righteousness. This is what we were created to be, righteous.

Romans 5:17 Ampc. *“For if because of one man’s trespass (lapse, offense) **death reigned** through that one, **much more surely** will those who receive [God’s] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and **the free gift of righteousness** [putting them into right standing with Himself] **reign as kings in life** through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).”*

This has been God’s desire for man from the beginning. In the beginning man was made right then because of sin, he was made wrong, then through Jesus we are made right again.

Psalms 8:4-6 NKJV *“4 What is man that You are mindful of him,
And the son of man that You visit^{ed} him?*

*5 For You have made him a little lower than ^{the} the angels,
And You have crowned him with glory and honor.*

*6 **You have made him to have dominion** over the works of Your hands;
You have put all things under his feet,*

Angels- is the word Elohim which is God. Man was made in the God class

Crowned with glory and honor represents a position of authority, leadership, dominion, reigning. This has been God's plan from the beginning.

Man was made to be God's under **ruler**. We are made in His image and likeness to have dominion

Dominion means *to govern, to rule, to control, To master, to have authority over and to lead*. God's intent and motivation was for us to be a governor, a ruler, a controller, a master, a leader over planet earth.

Psalms 115:16 NKJV *"¹⁶ The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's; But the earth He has given to the children of men."*

Ruler- king or standard. Example of when they gave kids a stick with numbers on it and called it a ruler. In the early 14th, 15th century there was no standard measure in the world. When you traveled there was no standard measure. They wanted a standard measure so they got together and had a big discussion and nobody could still settle it so the most powerful king in that time was the king of France and they decided to let **the king set the standard**. They went to the king and he said it will be from my elbow to the tip of my little finger and it happened to be 12 inches. And from that day it was the standard measurement and known as the ruler.

A ruler sets the standards for everything. They decide what is right and what is wrong. The king decides what is best and not best. God told us to be the ruler, to set the standard. His desire is for the standards on the earth to be just like the standards in heaven. He wants the same things that happens in heaven to happen on earth when man is in relationship with Him.

God created a family of kings, rulers, mankind to set the standard.

When Jesus came to the earth He was clear about what He came to do.

Matthew 4:17 NKJV *"From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."*

this is the first public statement of Jesus. This was His mission statement.

Repent, means to change your thinking. **He brought back a kingdom not a religion**

Luke 4:42-44 NKJV "Now when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowd sought Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them; 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.**" ⁴⁴ And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee."

Luke 4:43 Ampc. "⁴³ But He said to them, I must preach the good news (the Gospel) of the kingdom of God to the other cities [and towns] also, for I was sent for this [purpose]."

this was His purpose. He didn't come to preach Calvary, the blood, prosperity, healing, etc... its all apart of it but listen to what He said His purpose was. The good news of the kingdom.

The cross, the death, the burial, the resurrection were parts of the means to end which is the kingdom. He came to give man back the kingdom, dominion, authority, etc...

Matthew 24:12-14 NKJV "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.¹³ But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴ And **this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.**"

Matthew 24:14 Ampc. "¹⁴ And **this good news of the kingdom (the Gospel)** will be preached throughout the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then will come the end."

then the end will come. We don't know the hour but we do know when. It is when the good news about the rulership and dominion of God on earth through man. He didn't say when we preached healing, prosperity, destiny, forgiveness, etc.. that's all apart but when the good news of the kingdom is preached. The best news man can hear is that he can come back into relationship with God and have dominion.

Matthew 25:32-34 NKJV "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. ³³ And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, **inherit the kingdom** prepared for you from the foundation of the world:'"

our inheritance is the kingdom that has been prepared for us from the foundation of the world. The kingdom was here before the earth and it was prepared for me. **Kingdom- is rulership over a territory, a kings domain.**

We've discovered that lack of knowledge (**Hosea 4:6**) and lack of application (**James 2:17**) are what keep the body of Christ in bondage. We haven't known or been taught how to walk in our dominion to the degree that God wants us too.

Think with me who controls the circumstances most of the time? Who controls the house and the cars, the banks, who controls whether most people get healed or stay sick, the dr. Who controls who loses their teeth or keeps them? The dentist. Most of the time peoples lives are in the hands of people we don't know and we hope they know what they are doing. So when the bills come, things happen, peoples blood pressure goes up, anxiety hits and the number one reason for sickness is stress. Stress, anxiety, is the result of not being able to control your environment. People are stressed out... most people have no dominion over their circumstances and Jesus came to restore our dominion.

People were attracted to Jesus because of dominion.

Luke 5:1-11 NKJV *"So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, ² and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. ³ Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.⁴ When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "**Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.**" ⁵ But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." ⁶ And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. ⁷ So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "**Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!**"⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." ¹¹ So when they had brought their boats to land, they ^[a]forsook all and followed Him."*

Peter, James and John were businessmen, they owned their own fishing business. Their boats were empty when Jesus meet them. He took charge of the circumstances that were in charge of them. **People were attracted to Jesus because of dominion.**

They couldn't fish in the day during that time because it was so clear that the fish could see the net and swim away. These guys were professional fishermen, and they knew you don't fish in the day. There was a current that flowed down from the mountain into the lake, and they always put the net on the left side in the shallow in so the current would drive the fish into the net. They were professional, they knew these things but they had caught nothing. They had done everything they knew to do under the circumstances.

If we are a victim of the environment then we have to do what it says. If it says no fish then there must not be any fish. Even though they were professional, even though they had studied, they knew what they were doing. They thought.

Then a kingdom man shows up and says lets go out again in the day. Then lets go in the deep. Then throw your net on the other side. **The kingdom is not a victim to earths circumstances.**

The government thinks they have decided what is going to happen but that isn't what our government says. They think they have the scales set to how much money you can make but that isn't what our government says. They have decided what businesses will succeed or fail but that isn't what our government says.

It's important that we see that we are connected to a government, a kingdom that backs us up. Its time to follow a different set of rules because we are created to dominate the earth.

These fishermen caught a boat sinking load of fish. Notice everyone was watching them from the shore. Sometimes when God tells you to go in the deep you have to go by yourself. You might look strange to others, but they don't know that there is someone on your boat that they can't see. All they know is it's the wrong time, the wrong place and the net is on the wrong side of the boat. But in the kingdom and when we are listening to the king, we are at the right place, at the right time, and our net is on the right side.

People are depressed because they are victim of their circumstances.

Notice Jesus said to put down their nets and they just put down their net. Sometimes we don't fully obey and only receive some of the harvest. The fish heard the dominion of the master and they had to get moving.

God is going to show us how to operate in the kingdom like we are supposed too. Then Peter, James and John beckoned to them to come and share in the results. The kingdom will give us too much, more than enough.

We are attracted to the kingdom inside of Jesus because that's what we lost. Then Peter said what manner of man are you? Then Peter said get away from me. That's why we have to renew our mind to the truth that we deserve to be blessed to have an overflowing boat because of Jesus. We are supposed to have more than enough that is man's original supply.

Jesus said you haven't seen anything yet. Follow me and I'll show you the keys of the kingdom and even when I'm gone you will still be operating in the kingdom

John 14:12-14

Kingdom living is walking in our dominion. He came to bring back the authority that man lost. Jesus preached the kingdom. He came to bring back the kingdom. **They loved Him cause He walked in dominion.** Storms be still. Waves, peace. Eyes open, dead rise up. We are born to walk in dominion.

Jesus message was the kingdom and people were attracted to Him because of dominion

Matthew 16:13-

The Father is in Heaven. The earth is for His kids.

Petras- pebble- peter you are a pebble. Rock-petra-bolder or mountain. Your statement of who I am, I will build my church and the gates of hades will not prevail, it can't stop the momentum of this kingdom. It will take over everything. Whatever system you have this kingdom overrules it.

When peter and james were in jail. It was under the Roman government and the church was praying that two of their citizens were under another

government and we are reporting that they are illegally held by the other government.

The angles who were from the other government came into the jail, loosed the shackles, opened the door, and set them free. I would call that no gates prevailing against the church.

Nothing can stop our progress, our advancement, or promotion and our highest expectations fulfilled.