

## USE OF THE WORD 'KINGDOM' IN MATTHEW

### **Matt 3:1**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup> "Repent, for the **kingdom** of heaven has come near."

### **Matt 4:17**

From that time on Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the Kingdom of heaven has come near.'

### **Luke 6:20**

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the **kingdom** of God.

### **Matt 4:23**

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the **kingdom** and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

### **BEATITUDES - Matt 5**

Mt 5:3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the **kingdom** of heaven.

Mt 5:10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the **kingdom** of heaven

### **Luke 6:20**

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### **LORD'S PRAYER – Matt 6:10**

Mt 6:10 Your **kingdom** come.

Your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

### **SENDING OUT OF THE TWELVE - Matt 10:7**

<sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The **kingdom** of heaven has come near.'

### **KINGDOM DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF – Matt 12:25**

"Every **kingdom** divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. <sup>26</sup> If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then will his **kingdom** stand? <sup>27</sup> If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. <sup>28</sup> But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the **kingdom** of God has come to you.

## **THE KINGDOM MAY BE COMPARED TO ...**

### **Matt 13:24**

"The **kingdom** of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>

### **Matt 13:31**

"The **kingdom** of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; <sup>32</sup>

### **Matt 13:33**

"The **kingdom** of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

### **Matt 13:44**

"The **kingdom** of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

### **Matt 13:45**

Mt 13:45 "Again, the **kingdom** of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls;

### **Matt 13:47**

Mt 13:47 "Again, the **kingdom** of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; <sup>48</sup> when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad.

### **Matt 20:1**

"For the **kingdom** of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

## **BARRIERS TO THE KINGDOM**

### **Matt 6:31**

Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup> For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup> But strive first for the **kingdom** of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

### **Matt 19:23**

"Truly I tell you, it will be hard for a rich person to enter the **kingdom** of heaven. <sup>24</sup> Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the **kingdom** of God."

### **Matt 21:31**

"Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the **kingdom** of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

### **Luke 9:57**

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup> To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the **kingdom** of God." <sup>61</sup> Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup> Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the **kingdom** of God."

## **INHERITORS OF THE KINGDOM**

### **Matt 18:1**

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the **kingdom** of heaven?" <sup>2</sup> He called a child, whom he put among them, <sup>3</sup> and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the **kingdom** of heaven.

### **Matt 25:34**

<sup>34</sup> Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the **kingdom** prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' <sup>37</sup>

## **MAGNIFICAT – ANNUNCIATION – Luke 1:31**

<sup>31</sup> And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup> He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. <sup>33</sup> He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his **kingdom** there will be no end."

## **PRESENCE OF THE KINGDOM - Luke 17:20**

Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; <sup>21</sup> nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you."

