

Easter 2019

Key Kingdom Principles behind the Resurrection of Christ

Intro

I want to remind you this morning that everything that the Father - Is - Does - Predestines - Wrote in His Book - Etc. ... all revolves around or involves His Kingdom ... Everything is about the Kingdom of God. ... So, with that said, in order for us to fully understand “everything” we must view life from a Kingdom perspective and not from a natural perspective ... It is imperative, in order to understand His Word, that we view it from a Kingdom perspective.

I have really been noticing lately that people view things from their personal, natural perspective rather than a Kingdom perspective. ... I have always known this, but it has just been jumping out at me lately. ... This has caused me to really focus on my own perspective - Am I viewing everything in life from my personal perspective or from a Kingdom perspective?

On a side note: I realize Christians also view things from a perspective of their gifting, calling and function ... Let me illustrate - I was reading a Facebook post where Christians were arguing over how a situation was handled concerning a Christian speaking out against gay rights legislation (I forget in what state). ... I could see by the responses from the posting who functioned as a pastor - prophet - apostle - teacher.

What concerns me about this issue is that we don't seem to understand, we all will view things differently and that is really OK ... In fact, I believe this diversity is a gift from the Lord to His body. ... This diversity of perspectives allows total ministry to the body of Christ and to mankind.

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So, this morning I want us to look at the Resurrection of Christ from a Kingdom perspective, understanding we will all see something different due to our giftings, callings, and functioning.

Why did Jesus leave heaven and come to the earth?

John 6:38 (AMPC)

For I have come down from heaven ... not to do My own will and purpose but ... to do the will ... and purpose ... of Him Who sent Me.

So, Jesus states that He was sent to earth by the Father ... Jesus tell us He was sent for a specific purpose ... Jesus' objective was to fulfill His purpose (destiny) for being sent to earth. ... In other words, to enact the will of the Father and not His own

So, Jesus didn't come to earth to die for your sins so you could get a - "Get out of hades free card". ... Now, that was involved in the will and purpose of the Father but that is not why Jesus came. ... Again, think Kingdom - not religious. ... This whole earthly realm isn't about us it is all about the Father and His Kingdom purposes.

What was the Father's Purpose in Sending Jesus to Earth?

Romans 5:1-2 (AMPC)

1 Therefore, since we are justified (acquitted, declared righteous, and given a right standing with God) through faith, ... let us [grasp the fact that we] have [the peace of reconciliation to hold and to enjoy] ... peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

First, we see by what Jesus did in completing His divine destiny / purpose - He provided the means of reconciliation between mankind and the Father ... Mankind now has the opportunity to enjoy and be at peace with Father God. ... Before Christ completed His divine mission mankind was separated from the Father

Colossians 1:21-22 (TLB)

This includes **you who were once so far away from God. ... You were his enemies ... and hated him and were separated from him ... by your evil thoughts and actions,** ... yet now he has brought you back as his friends. ... 22 He has done this through the death on the cross of His own human body, ... and now as a result Christ has brought you into the very presence of God, ... and you are standing there before him with nothing left against you—nothing left that he could even chide you for;

Rom. 5:2 (AMPC)

2 Through Him also we have [our] access (entrance, introduction) by faith into this grace (state of God's favor) in which we [firmly and safely] stand. ... And let us rejoice and exult in our hope of experiencing and enjoying the glory of God.

Secondly, we see mankind now has access by faith into the Father's grace (God's ability working in you to do what you cannot do in your own ability) ... Along with being able to experience and enjoy all the Father's glory (riches of heaven and the promises of His Word) - NOW ... So, the way has been made for all mankind to be reconciled to the Father

How Do we Obtain this Right Standing (Reconciliation) with the Father?

Romans 10:9-10 (TPT)

And what is God's "living message"? ... It is the revelation of faith for salvation, ... which is the message that we preach. ... **For if you publicly declare with your mouth that Jesus is Lord ... and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, ... you will experience salvation.** ... 10 **The heart that believes in him ... receives the gift of the righteousness of God** ... and then the mouth gives thanks (or makes confession) to salvation.

What is the Responsibility / Purpose of Those who have been Redeemed?

What it Isn't - A get out of hades free card and live life as you please

Matthew 7:21 (NKJV)

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, ... but **he who does the will of My Father** in heaven.

What it Is - To Fulfill your Divine Purpose and Destiny

You have been sent

John 20:21 (TPT)

Jesus repeated his greeting, “Peace to you!” And he told them, ... “**Just as the Father has sent me, ... I’m now sending you.**”

You have a ministry

2 Corinthians 5:17-19 (VOICE)

Therefore, if anyone is united with the Anointed One, that person is a new creation. ... The old life is gone—and see—a new life has begun! ... 18 All of this is a gift from our Creator God, who has pursued us ... and brought us into a restored and healthy relationship with Him through the Anointed. ... And **He has given us the same mission, ... the ministry of reconciliation, ... to bring others back to Him.** ... 19 It is central to our good news that God was in the Anointed making things right between Himself and the world. ... This means He does not hold their sins against them. ... But it also means **He charges us to proclaim the message** ... that heals and restores our broken relationships with God and each other.

You have a destiny

Psalms 139:16 (TLB)

You saw me before I was born ... and **scheduled each day of my life** before I began to breathe. ... **Every day was recorded in your book!**

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Let me ask you - - Have you been Reconciled to the Father?

Have you confessed with your mouth Jesus as your Lord? ... Have you believed in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead? ... If not, don't leave this place until you do for your eternal soul weighs in the balance.

If you are Redeemed - - Let me ask you

Are you fulfilling your responsibilities as a redeemed Son?

As a sent one are you doing His will every day or are you doing your own thing?

Are you actively involved in your ministry of reconciliation?

Are you fulfilling the destiny the Father has written in your book?