



Part 1 – The Kingdom Story: *What God Originally Intended In The Beginning He Will Get In The End*

Part 2 - The Kingdom Journey: *How God moves from original plan in Genesis to restoration in Revelation*

Step 1 – Return The **Land** Through **Abram/Abraham**: A Man Who Loved God

Step 2 – Return The **Rulership** Through **David**: A Man Who Loved God

Step 3 – Return The **Relationship** Through **Jesus**: The Son Of God

This Week: The Kingdom Vision – *What will the Kingdom of God be like?*

The **Kingdom of God** is simply summarized as the time “everything wrong with world is made right.”

Greek Philosophy/Gnosticism/Dualism teaches that all physical things are bad and only spiritual things are good. It proposes that the end goal in life is to “escape” the bad of this physical world and our physical bodies. The ideas end up influencing Christianity by exchanging the Kingdom hope for an ethereal “spiritual” hope of going to a spiritual realm or heaven itself. However, the biblical story contrasts this. God said the earth was good. Man’s body was good. God’s plan was good. Instead of escaping this world for something better, God’s plan is to redeem this world and make it perfect once again.

God tells us what the Kingdom will be like through the vision he gives to his prophets.

Isaiah 2:1-4 – God’s city is the capitol city. Nations learn the ways of the LORD. No more war.

Isaiah 9:2-7 – Wonderful king to rule from David’s throne. God’s zeal ensures this.

Isaiah 11:1-10 – Resume of the king. Righteous political government. Justice. Affecting even animal kingdom.

Isaiah 13:6-13 – Judgment on those who do not choose God’s way.

Isaiah 19:19-25 – God extends kingdom invitation even to his enemies for even Egypt will worship the LORD.

Isaiah 25:1-9 - God’s plan. Great banquet. Death swallowed up.

Isaiah 35:1-10 – Healing of broken people (physical and spiritual). Rejuvenation of the creation.

Isaiah 51:1-8 – Earth again like Eden and garden of the LORD. God’s salvation will last forever.

Isaiah 60:1-5, 18-22 – End of evil and sorrow. The glory of the LORD shines. Isaiah 60:21 tells purpose of Kingdom

Isaiah 65:11-25 – New heaven and new earth, old passes away. Eternal life.

God doesn’t give up. He redeems

God doesn’t throw away. He restores.

True about the earth

True about you.

Next Week: The Kingdom Message: The Kingdom story is more than just our hope, it is actually the theme of the gospel.

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