

The Kingdom of God

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Denomination and The Kingdom of God

Jesus asks:

What is the Kingdom of God?

What is a denomination?

Are they the same?

Who rules the Kingdom of God?

Who rules a denomination?

Are they the same?

Why is their only one Kingdom of God

and so many denominations?

Is God the author of division and disorder?

If God is not the author of denominational division?

Then who is?

And why has he divided them?

Is the denomination Satan's greatest smokescreen to hide:

Me,

My Kingdom

*Your relationship with The Father Me and The Holy Spirit
and the work I have given the church?*

What is the work of the denomination?

What is the work of My Kingdom?

Are they the same?

Do you belong to the Kingdom of God?

or to a denomination?

or both?

You need to be certain which you belong too

Your eternal life may depend on it.

Jesus

Introduction

People do not understand the Kingdom of God

The church does not preach it or live and in fact hides it through the denomination and church structure replacing the Kingdom and its expression.

The Kingdom of God is really irrelevant to most Christians who have no idea of their role in it and its role on earth (how a kingdom works on earth).

Satan has managed to hide these things so that Christians do not fulfill their role on earth but a role he has designed them to fulfill using the structures he has built on earth over the last 6000 thousand years.

This seems a wild statement but after reading this document you will understand what I am saying.

Satan could not remove the church and its activities so over the centuries has guided the established church so that it is really ineffective against him and does not live as a citizen of The Kingdom of God should live.

There is only one Kingdom on earth

There are two spiritual kingdoms:

The Kingdom of God in heaven

The kingdom of Satan in hell

The earth is defiled so only has the kingdom of Satan on it and the Citizens of heaven are strangers to it and its lifestyle, or at least should be.

This realisation is the starting point for any discussion on The Kingdom of God:

That it is not on earth

It is seen by the activities of its Citizens

Earth is preparation for living in it in heaven

There is a battle because its citizens are in enemy territory and the enemy king is out to destroy them in any way he can.

This means you need to know how a Citizen is suppose to live and serve their King.

The church does not teach this because Satan has hidden it as he also has hidden hell and whom he is. Just ask yourself how many sermons or teaching you have heard on your role on earth as a Citizen of The Kingdom of God, or on hell or on Satan and how he attacks Christians.

The objective of this document is to show you how God requires you to live as a Citizen of His Kingdom and His representative on earth.

The laws of God override all other laws

God is the supreme authority in this universe so that His Laws over ride all other laws made by:

Governments

Denominations

Any associations or groups (such as denominations)

Any other law made by man.

However, we are to obey the laws of man unless they conflict with the laws of God.

The Role of the King

A king has to guide The Kingdom

He has to provide for the people of The Kingdom

He has to make laws for the people of The Kingdom

He has to enforce those laws (judge the people)

He also rewards the people of His Kingdom

The King's primary purpose is to preserve His Kingdom (his area of influence, power and authority) and seek the welfare of His citizens. To this end, He makes laws and plans that His citizens should obey.

The wise king makes laws and plans that will benefit not only Himself but His Citizens as well.

The will of The King is the will of His citizens, over whom He has power of life and death.

When The King summons them, they drop everything and obey Him. Otherwise, they continue with their daily lives living in accordance with His rules and guidelines. They rarely see their King The Citizen and His Kingdom but all know his laws.

Holy Spirit and Citizen of The Kingdom of God

The Holy Spirit has an important role in the life of a citizen of The Kingdom of God.

He regenerates their spirit removing all the damage sin did to it (Titus 3:5) so that it is no longer defiled by sin and you can now approach God continuously in a personal way'

He marks us as belonging to The Kingdom of God (Rom 8:16-17)

His presence is in us stops demons entering our spirit and possessing us

He guides and teaches us (Jn 16:13, Rom 8:14) so that we know God's Will and do not have to reason it out because we normally cannot do this.

He empowers us to do the work of The Kingdom (Acts 1:8)

Because His presence is in us He teaches us the qualities God desires in us and demonstrates through us the quality of God's Love to others (Jn 16:"13)

He unifies the Citizens of The Kingdom of God so that they are only one denomination - an assembly of Citizens of The Kingdom of God.

This is why it is so important to be able to hear The Holy Spirit (Tom 8:17) Because to be a Citizen of The Kingdom of God you need to be able to hear what The King desires you to do which the role of The Holy Spirit is to tell you (Rom 8:14).

The Citizen and The Kingdom of God

A Citizen of The Kingdom of God has two relationships with Jesus:

Their Lord they serve and obey

Their spiritual step brother they serve out of love for Him and what He has done for them.

They serve out of love for their step brothers and not fear of Judgment and hell fire.

They realise they represent someone they love so wholeheartedly do this, declaring who He is and what He has done to all around them so that they can have the same relationship

Role of a Citizen of a kingdom

The role of an earthly citizen is as follows

He has to protect the kingdom against those who would harm it

He has to defend the name of the king

He has to serve the king

He has to help others do the work of the kingdom
He is to teach those he needs to about the kingdom
He has to provide for his family from what the king allows him to have
He represents the king, if only by being its citizen
He has to follow the laws of the kingdom

What is the work of The Kingdom?

The work of a Citizen of The Kingdom of God can be summarized as follows

Serve its King Jesus, which is expressed in serving others on His behalf.

Evangelism which is rescuing people from the kingdom of darkness

Deliverance which is removing the damage the king of darkness did to a Christian

Defend the Kingdom (Which includes the Character of God, people and property of The Kingdom) which is called spiritual warfare

Train people to do these things and be a good citizen of The Kingdom which is called discipling

Encourage each other in this which is called fellowship

Express the Character of The King in all you do which is called The Fruit of The Spirit.

The basic character behind everything they do is God's quality of Love and its expression in all they do. their guidebook is The Bible and The Holy Spirit is its interpreter and their guide in all they do.

The mission statement of Jesus was as follows:

(Luk 4:18-21) The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the rabbi, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, *This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.*

As a follower of His we should be doing what He did on earth as He demonstrated The Kingdom of God for all to see.

His example was as follows (Matthew 4:23):

And Jesus went about all Galilee, (the area He was in at the time)

teaching in their synagogues, (Taught the followers of God)

and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, (What The Kingdom of God was all about)

delivering people from the effects of Satan on them

and healing all manner of **sickness** (short term sickness)

and all manner of **disease** among the people (long term chronic).

This is what our objective should be:

Jesus will help you in this as He said that anyone who wanted to know what to do to serve Him would be taught by The Holy Spirit.

(Joh 16:13) Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

But you must be wanting and willing to do His Will for Him to be able to teach it to you.

Jn 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

The last words of Jesus to His people can be summarized as follows: "*All power (authority) is given unto me in heaven and in earth.*

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations I have risen,

Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you

And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in My name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe;

In my name shall they cast out devils;

They shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents;

And if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover

And, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

These actions will be observable in the life of a follower of Jesus. Another of the signs of our being a follower of Jesus is our love for Him expressed in the way we desire to spend time with Him, live in obedience to His Will for us as well as express His love to others around us. Salvation results in The Holy Spirit's presence in us and helping us in this:

Joh 14:15-16 Jesus said to his disciples: If you love me, you will do as I command. Then I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you.

Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Note: all truth and not just spiritual truth.

Obedience to Jesus will result in The Kingdom of God manifesting in and through our lives and we will demonstrate it as He commanded us too in Mark 16:17-18. Jesus said the signs in these verses would be performed by His followers:

They shall cast out devils;

They shall speak with new tongues;

They shall take up serpents and not be harmed by them;

And if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them;
They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover
They will show God's quality of love in all they do

We will be rewarded for our obedience and one of the requirements of faith is that we must believe God will reward us for our loving service of Him:

Heb 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

We must endure to the end to receive the reward and not be concerned about dying in the service of Jesus.

1 Cor 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Matt 24:13, But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

Remember that evangelism is really telling people what Jesus has done for people in the kingdom of Satan to deliver them from this kingdom as well as how He has affected your life as a result of your accepting what He has done for you.

If you love others with the same quality of Love that Jesus Loves them with you will go and tell others what He has done for them so they can enjoy what you have received as a result of your accepting what He has done for you. To not do these shows you are hypocritical or fearful and need training and/or deliverance to do these things.

You must endure to the end to keep your salvation:

(Mat 10:22) And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endures to the end shall be saved.

To persevere in these things, you must believe they are worthwhile doing.

Remember that trials are a sign of His Love as he uses them to mature you to His character or guide you back to where you should be. Or to show you are worthy of the ministry He is giving you or has given to you.

(Rev 3:19) As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

The key to victory is to put the things of Jesus before your own values and purposes and be faithful to His requirements of you until you die:

Rev 12:11 (ERV) They defeated him by the blood sacrifice of the Lamb and by the message of God that they told people. They did not love their lives too much. They were not afraid of death.

You must hold that what God wants you to do as being more important than your own life and its purposes.

Mar 8:35-37 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a

man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

(Mat 10:3) Those who try to gain their own life will lose it; but those who lose their life for my sake will gain it.

Mat 6:24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

You must offer yourself to Jesus to use and focus on His Things (Col 3:1-3).

Rom 12:1-2 (ESV) Dear friends, God is good. So, I beg you to offer your bodies to him as a living sacrifice, pure and pleasing. That's the most sensible way to serve God. Don't be like the people of this world, but let God change the way you think. Then you will know how to do everything that is good and pleasing to him.

Col 3:1-2 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

God promises to supply all you need in this life for those who seek to be in a correct relationship with him as well as be used by Him in the expansion of His Kingdom:

Mat 6:31-34 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof

He also promises to never test you above what you can cope with:

1Co 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

To become a follower of Jesus will cost you all that you have but in return you will gain riches unimaginable in heaven after your physical death.

The Christian life is a choice you make. It is up to you to maintain it and express it in the God desires you too. God will help you as much as you let Him, but ultimately what happens to you is a result of the choices you will make.

Choose wisely because you are in hell an awfully long time if you deliberately make the wrong choices.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of The Lord.

The Salvation Relationship

In John 17:3 we are told that eternal life is a relationship with Jesus and The Father. Why is the Holy Spirit not mentioned?

Jesus is Lord of the universe and The Father is Lord of heaven and of the family of God. There is nothing else for The Holy Spirit to rule. But He has a very important role though and you need to have a correct relationship with Him to be able to be guided by Him to live as God requires you to live to carry out the other two relationships so you will go to heaven.

The relationship with Jesus as your Lord occurs when you are saved and become a citizen of The Kingdom of God.

When you are redeemed, you are able to enter heaven and enter into a relationship with Your Father in heaven.

This is why there are two relationships to eternal life. There are two sets of obedience to obey – citizen of The Kingdom of God and adopted child of The Father – so there are two relationships to develop.

The part of The Holy Spirit is to be a guide to people to be able to live as these relationships require. This is why you must be led (guided) by The Holy Spirit in all you do.

The world around you is ruled by Satan and its purpose is to lead you away from these relationships with God so The Holy Spirit has been given to guide you to avoid the snares the world places in front of you.

These relationships are necessary because The Christian life is an expression of these relationships being correctly observed and expressed in your life. The Holy Spirit is the counsellor God has given to us to guide us and you ignore a wise counsellor to your hurt.

So, you need to learn how to carry out these three relationships which are not taught by the church because Satan has subtly guided preaching so that they do not teach:

How to live as a citizen of The Kingdom of God

How to live as an adopted child of The Father

How to clearly hear The Holy Spirit as you go through your daily life.

Learning these things should be a priority in your daily life if you desire to go to heaven.

Some advice Jesus gave me about The Kingdom

This morning Jesus started to speak to me about The Kingdom and things in regards to it.

He said that:

He judges you by how you related to Him and not how you related to the minister/priest, church or denomination and whether or not you wholeheartedly tried to obey him. He does not look at results but the heart attitude and in the way His things were done.

He said many Christians are in hell because they would not forgive another and would not reconcile to another because of unforgiveness in their heart.

Many Christians were also in hell because they would not give up a sin so that He was not their Lord. Remember, to deliberately obey the laws of the land unless they disobey the laws of God and not repent will get you send to hell.

The expression of His quality of Love should be behind everything you do or it is not of His Kingdom but of your flesh. In everything that happens to us we should appreciate that God's Love is working in it for our best. This is why we should be thankful whatever happens to us and not complain about what happens to us. Complaining about it is questioning His Love towards you.

What your focus is on shows what is in your heart and which king you serve. God's Love must be expressed in all you do or your actions are not of Him.

To serve Him correctly you must also relate too and serve The Father and The Holy Spirit correctly.

Spiritually you belong to The Body of Christ's followers and to the communion of saints and not to a legal body like the church, a religious order or denomination. Until you see this you will not relate to and fellowship with other Christians correctly.

You are a steward of all God gives you authority over: ministry, His Things, family and children, property, you mind, soul, body and flesh and will have to give an account of this stewardship to God when you die and face Him, as we all must do.

If you believe in whom Jesus is He said you will:

Evangelise

Disciple

Do deliverance

Fight His battles (Spiritual warfare)

Do healing

Encourage and support each other emotionally, physically, spiritually, mentally and financially

Defend His Name, morals and things of His Kingdom

Represent The Kingdom

Teach The Kingdom

Love The Kingdom and serve it in all else you do

The main thing is to wholeheartedly try to do these things. It is up to God what happens and not you so as long as you wholeheartedly try to serve and obey Him you do not need to be concerned about the results of what you have done.

Remember that you are also a steward of things and will have to give an account to God for how you carried out your stewardship.

Your relationships are all a form of stewardship so how you care for these relationships and the way you relate will also be judged by God.

Whatever you do to anything that belongs to His Kingdom: persons, property, knowledge and wisdom about it, you do it also to The king. How you treat His Kingdom and all that is in it is an expression of your stewardship. Remember Matt 25:40 - what you do to these you do to The Kingdom Citizen and as a result, You do also to the King Jesus.

Love and its expression (The Fruit of The Holy Spirit) should be the natural expression of your character. These are the natural expression of a citizen of The Kingdom of God.

It is what you believe in your heart that matters and not what you say or reason you should believe.

Unless hell and Satan is preached there is really no incentive to follow Jesus and be a disciple of Him.

Unless the Authority of the Kingdom is demonstrated there is really no proof it exists.

The Denominational Church and The Kingdom of God

This section discusses some difference between The Denominational church and The Kingdom of God and contrasts the Denominational Church and the assemblies that belong to The Kingdom of God

The word for a group of Christians in The Bible is 'ekklēsia'. Church or denomination is never used. Ekklēsia' was translated 'church' but was used in Greece for an assembly of people with a political purpose.

The Didache (the instructions of Jesus to the apostles telling them what to teach the gentiles does not mention churches or denominations.

The denominational church refers to Christians who identify as a member of a denomination.

They are a group of people meeting for the purposes of the denomination which may at times be the same as the purposes of The Kingdom of God.

The term assembly refers to the gathering of its citizens meeting for the purposes of The Kingdom of God.

Just because you belong to a denomination does not mean you belong to The Kingdom of God and thus have salvation.

The denomination normally follows its agendas and purposes which are designed to perpetuate the denomination and its purposes.

The citizens of The Kingdom of God promote the purposes of the King and His Kingdom

In the early church the state and the Kingdom of God were separate but merged when the Roman Catholic pope took over the Roman empire. This resulted in the equivalent of the structure of man's kingdoms infiltrating the church and the Nicolaitan system coming into place in the church.

The reformation changed this but continued the Nicolaitan type structure where the ministers rule the church and the congregation do what they are told to do by them. This is why you have to be officially approved or credited by the denomination to be able to minister for the denomination and supposedly for Jesus.

In the Kingdom of God everyone is supposed to minister for Jesus in some way and The Holy Spirit guides and teaches people to do the role they are called to at that time.

In the denomination you are trained by them to serve the purposes of the denomination which also includes their doctrine which at times is not Biblical.

An example of incorrect doctrine accepted but some denominations is the acceptance of homosexuality in their churches by them.

You also cannot minister in the name of the denomination if you have not been trained by them.

In the body of Christ, you are discipled - and promote Jesus, His Kingdom and its doctrines.

In seminaries they promote the doctrine of the denomination which at times may not be Biblical.

When you become a Christian, you are asked to join the denomination. You are already a citizen of The Kingdom of God but this is ignored for the purposes of the denomination.

Your membership in The Kingdom of God is not told to you as it is usually not even considered as the denomination is so important to those leading you to God.

In the Kingdom of God everyone is supposed to minister for Jesus and their purpose is to get you into The Kingdom of God and teach you the relationship you have with The Father and Jesus guided by The Holy Spirit of which Lordship and holiness preserves these relationships.

In the denomination you are trained by them and only then are you allowed to represent the denomination in any ministry and in doing so you serve the purposes of the denomination which also includes their doctrine which at times is not Biblical.

In the body of Christ, you are discipled - and taught how to promote Jesus, His Kingdom and its doctrines not in the doctrines and rules of an organization.

When the church and state became one the church thought it was the Kingdom of God and the real Kingdom of God was hidden.

The reformation did not restore the true Kingdom of God so that today many in the denominations believe they belong to the Kingdom of God when they really only belong to the denomination doing what the denominations say they should be doing.

Jesus said His people would

Proclaim the Gospel

Heal the sick

Cast out demons

Defend His Name,

His Kingdom

His values

Do His will in all things

Honour Him in all they do and

Not pay trained people to do it for them!

The denominations qualify people to do some of these things and pay them to do them unlike the early church where everything was voluntary out of Love for Jesus and not reward and everyone ministered as they were able too, even if only in hospitality and encouraging another.

The members of the Kingdom of God train all its members to do these things and does not teach that you need to be qualified by an institution to do them.

Denominations divide the Kingdom of God as each seeks to maintain the denomination and churches in the denomination do not even help each other usually or help or work with churches in other denominations to do the-work of Jesus.

Members of the Kingdom of God help each and have as their common purpose the work of Jesus and His Kingdom being unified by the Holy Spirit being common to all of them.

Denominations usually do not show God's Love to other denominations and by this show they do not belong to God as the expression of the relationship Christians have with God is His quality of Love being shown in all they do.

We are told:

Eph 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Eph 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

The true Christian church is in unity with other Christian churches and works together with them as one. The Denominations do not do this and by this divide the body into factions, each serving their own purpose. This alone show they are not the true Christian church but a parody of it having the form of godliness (looking like a true church) but not following all the guidelines Jesus gave for His church.

There is only one, true, unified body and not multiple bodies claiming they are the true church.

When you become a Christian, the denomination calls you to join them as a member and follow the rules of the denomination.

When you become a Christian in the true church you join the citizenship of the Kingdom and enter into a personal relationship with The Father and Jesus guided by The Holy Spirit and can work and meet with any other citizen wherever you are and are not limited to a particular denomination. You are not asked to join a denomination which structures and teachings serves the purposes of man.

Denominations are a master stroke of Satan, as they divide the Body of Christ and until it recognizes this, they will never really do the work of the Kingdom of God but only a small part of it.

This division also hinders the work of The Kingdom of God as denominations divide it, which will cause the true Kingdom to be hid and decline on earth.

Denominations are not in The Bible or in the early church or were sanctioned by Jesus or the Apostles.

Denominations teach that salvation is inviting Jesus into your heart and becoming a denominational member can be a part of that.

Christianity is a decision to follow Jesus as Lord and then live the appropriate lifestyle as a spiritual relative of Him and The Father. When was the last time you heard this preached in a church?

You say this talk does not describe your denomination or church?

Then ask yourself, when was the last time you worked with another church in your denomination or even outside of your denomination to do the work of The Kingdom?

The Family Business

The Lord Jesus said to Neville:

“You have been adopted by The Father in heaven.

You are part of His family as is every other Christian who has been adopted by The Father.

All these Christians, are in a sense, relatives to be treated as such.

You also must look after the interests of this family as dictated by The Father of it in heaven.

If you love Him as a family member then your purposes will be His purposes and all you do will be an expression of the love relationship you have with Him.

This means the Christian life is an expression of this family relationship serving the family and its needs and purposes.

The purpose of this family business is the reconciliation of everyone with The Father and Jesus by rescuing them from the enemy and training them how to live as The Father desires His family members to live.

As a member of His family these too should be your purposes.

So, are they your purposes?

Do you live as part of God's family or do you ignore this fact?

The true Christian will be doing their part, whatever God has told them it is, for the work of the family head which is The Father, once they realise the relationship, they are in. If they do not do the Will (Work) of The Father, they do not acknowledge Him as head of the family so do not belong to it or His Kingdom.

So, are you part of God's family doing the type of family work which God has asked you to do?

Not all are called to be evangelists but all are called to demonstrate the Authority of Jesus over Satan and to be able to tell all who desire to know what Jesus and The Father has done for them.

The Christian life is the expression of the love relationship you have with other members of this family."

Jesus

Concluding remarks

According to how you fulfil your role as a Citizen of The Kingdom of God will be determined your salvation and your rewards so you need to learn how to perform these roles in the way God desires you to do them because your eternal future depends on it.

Your relationship with each member of God will determine how you fulfil this role so this needs to be worked at also.

It is to be remembered that salvation is a relationship with Jesus and The Father and the objectives of the Christian life are really only two:

Develop your relationship with God so you will exhibit His Character and proclaim His Love.
After all God is Love and if you love Him, you will exhibit His character

Serve Him as a Citizen of The Kingdom of God in the way He desires you to serve Him out of love for and appreciation of what He has done for you.

Only you can do this in respect of yourself and you will have only yourself to blame if you do not get to heaven.