



## IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KINGDOM

It's all about the Kingdom, but it hasn't always been that way. It's really only been the last 25 years that you've heard much talking, teaching and preaching about the Kingdom. Jesus was all about the Kingdom. He came teaching Kingdom.

In Matthew 4:17 the Word of God tells us, from that time Jesus began to preach and to say repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Matthew 3:1-2 tells us that John the Baptist came teaching in the wilderness saying 'repent ye'.

Many of Jesus' parables used practical life experiences to illustrate the Kingdom and life in it. The parable of the Labourers in the Vineyard in Matthew 20 begins ...for the kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man. Jesus was all about the Kingdom. In Chapter 22 verse 2 He shared a parable of the Kingdom of Heaven and likened it to a certain king.

It was Kingdom then and its Kingdom now, but for many years it was the gospel of the church and the gospel of salvation that was preached. Now is the time for the body of believers to get a fresh revelation of the Kingdom of God.

The Kingdom of God is at hand. We need to understand the principles of the Kingdom. These are the days of the restoration of the Kingdom. Paul came preaching Kingdom but he also taught us about church; how to do church and how to operate in the Gifts of the Spirit in decency and in order (1 Corinthians 14:40).

As we begin to see the restoration of the Kingdom, 5 things are going to happen that will confirm the fact that indeed the restoration of the Kingdom is at hand:

1. True men and women of God will begin to re-evaluate their gifting, calling and priority order of the Kingdom in their life. When you see this begin to happen on a broad basis in the body rest assured, restoration is at hand.
2. Kingdom principles will be sought and taught on a regular basis in typically traditional church settings as well as spirit contemporary church settings. This will be the prompting of the Spirit on those He called to preach the gospel. When you see this, be at peace, for the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand.
3. The children of God will begin to get a supernatural, extremely unusual, extremely generous desire to sow into the Kingdom of God. Most, if not all of us, had little or no desire prior to salvation to sow and to give into Kingdom works. Occasionally, some good thing or word



triggered our emotions, but when the revelation of the Kingdom strikes a chord in a man and they catch the heart of the Father which is the greatest giver of all time...when they catch the revelation of sowing and reaping and know that it is truth, a desire is birthed in their spirit to be extremely generous.

When you see this abnormal reaction to a typical need in the body, rest assured, be at peace the Kingdom of God is at hand.

4. When you see the children of God in a typical environment or a work of service for God, all of a sudden have a heart for servanthood, an abnormal heart for servanthood. It is unnatural to the carnal man. His natural inclination is me, me, me...more, more, more. As the Kingdom of God draws near - the heart of the king, the heart of Messiah, the heart of the suffering servant, the greatest servant of all - captures the heart of man. When servanthood becomes contagious and starts to spread and you hear people begin to serve those who can't return the blessing. They light up like a light bulb. Fear not and fret not...the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand.
5. When you begin to see the burden for souls restored to a segment in the body even to an individual. Know that something is stirring, something is up because that man or woman now has a burden not just to rob hell, not just to save the lost, not just to cry for the prodigal to come home...something deeper than that has happened. Look not with your own sight but with a Kingdom vision. With the eyes of the King. That person was touched and given a desire to extend the Kingdom.

Get ready. Get set. We are going to see all of these in this season. The hour glass has turned, the winds of change are blowing, the glory is in the wind.

Another sign of restoration coming to the body is that there will be an over-bearing burden for His presence and power. Not just the omni-presence, because God is everywhere. It's the manifest presence. It's the Kingdom of Heaven invading earth. It's the season. We are in the end-time season. My prayer for you today is that you would catch a new revelation of God. I don't mean look to the right or the left. Look at the obstacles and hindrances. Look through the eyes of the King and know that the Kingdom is nigh at hand.