

The Kingdom of Heaven

A Symphony of Scripture Passages^{*}

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Prelude

Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

1 Chronicles 29:11

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ... And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Matthew 6:9,10,13

The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

Psalms 103:19

And she brought forth a man child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Revelation 12:5

He that committeth sin is of the devil, for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

1 John 3:8

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And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ; for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Revelation 12:7-10

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Hebrews 2:14

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 11:15

And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, having the glory of God; and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal, and had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel.

Revelation 21:9-12

Promise

And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

Genesis 17:8

... Behold, I will make thee fruitful and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people and will give this land to thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession.

Genesis 48:4

Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.

Isaiah 60:15

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel, whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Therefore will he give them up until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth; then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide, for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

Micah 5:2-4

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Psalms 24:7

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me because the LORD hath anointed

me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes; they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God. Ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves. For your shame ye shall have double, and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion; therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

Isaiah 61:1-7

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Isaiah 9:7

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest, and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David.

Luke 1:32

Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, as I promised to David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

1 Kings 9:5

And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Luke 1:33

He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.

1 Chronicles 22:10

Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him.

Isaiah 40:10

As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand and with a stretched out arm and with fury poured out will I rule over you.

Ezekiel 20:33

And the people shall take them and bring them to their place; and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids; and they shall take them captives, whose captives they were, and they shall rule over their oppressors.

Isaiah 14:2

Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.

Isaiah 32:1

The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

Ps 110:2

And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Exodus 19:6

And thou, O tower of the flock, the stronghold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion: the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

Micah 4:4

And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Daniel 7:27

... Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Matthew 5:18

When any one heareth the word of the kingdom and understandeth it not then cometh the wicked one and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. ...

Matthew 13:19

According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue, whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

2 Peter 1:3,4

Corruption

The field is the world. The good seed are the children of the kingdom. But the tares are the children of the wicked one; the enemy that sowed them is the devil.

Matthew 13:38

There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth when ye shall see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.

Luke 13:28

Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer, and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

1 John 3:15

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning and abode not in the truth because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own, for he is a liar and the father of it.

John 8:44

Thus saith the LORD: For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof because they have despised the law of the LORD and have not kept his commandments, and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked.

Amos 2:4

And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David, Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also?

Isaiah 7:13

Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, chil-

dren that are corrupters—they have forsaken the LORD; they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger; they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? Ye will revolt more and more; the whole head is sick and the whole heart faint.

Isaiah 1:4-5

Now go, write it before them in a table and note it in a book that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD, which say to the seers, See not and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things; speak unto us smooth things; prophesy deceits; get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

Isaiah 30:8-11

And the LORD said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem. They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words, and they went after other gods to serve them. The house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers. ...

Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them, for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble.

Jeremiah 11:9,10,14

O house of David, thus saith the LORD: Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver him that is spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings.

Jeremiah 21:12

The Kingdom is at Hand

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan, for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Matt 4:10

And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding, in this rejoice not that the spirits are subject unto you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.

Luke 10:17-20

Think not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law till all be fulfilled.

Matt 5:17-18

Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me.

John 5:39

To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

Luke 1:27

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel, whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Micah 5:2

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

... Jesus began to preach and to say, Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matthew 4:17

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 7:21

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Matthew 13:43

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3

And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

Luke 10:9

But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

Luke 11:20

And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples and said, Blessed be ye poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

Luke 6:20

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.

Luke 4:18-19

And all the people were amazed and said, Is not this the son of David?

Matthew 22:13

And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Mark 1:15

And when he was demanded of the Pharisees when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation. Neither shall they say, Lo here!, or, lo there!, for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you. And he said unto the disciples, The days will come when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. And they shall say to you, See here, or, See there. Go not after them nor follow them. For as the lightning that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven shineth unto the other part under heaven, so shall also the Son of man be in his day. But first must he suffer many things and be rejected of this generation.

Luke 17:20-25

So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

Luke 21:31

When they therefore were come together they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power.

Acts 1:6-7

For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.

1 Cor 4:20

But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here which shall not taste of death till they see the kingdom of God. ... And, behold, there talked with him two men which were Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem. ... There came a cloud, and overshadowed them, and they feared as they entered into the cloud. And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son; hear him.

Luke 9:27, 30-31, 34-35

They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom and talk of thy power.

Ps 145:11

And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to others in parables, that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

Luke 8:10

And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable because he was nigh to Jerusalem and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.

Luke 19:11

For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. ... I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God shall come.

Luke 22:16,18

... he was of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews, who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.

Luke 23:51

And I appoint unto you a kingdom as my Father hath appointed unto

me: that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Luke 22:29-30

And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. ... To sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

Matt 20:21,23

Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world; if my kingdom were of this world then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now is my kingdom not from hence.

John 18:36

And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Luke 23:42-43

And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house or parents or brethren or wife or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, who shall not receive manifold more in this present time and in the world to come life everlasting.

Luke 18:29

At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

Matt 18:1

The law and the prophets were until John; since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

Luke 16:16

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

Matt 11:12

But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

Matt 12:28

For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist; but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

Luke 7:28

And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out; it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire ...

Mark 9:47

For there are some eunuchs which were so born from their mother's womb, and there are some eunuchs which were made eunuchs of men, and there be eunuchs which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it.

Matt 19:12

Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 6:54

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

John 4:14

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condem-

nation, but is passed from death unto life.

John 5:24

And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 6:40

To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infal-
lible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things per-
taining to the kingdom of God.

Acts 1:3

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past
unto the fathers by the prophets hath in these last days spoken unto us by
his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made
the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of
his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had
by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on
high.

Hebrews 1:1-3

Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I
appoint unto you a kingdom as my Father hath appointed unto me. That
ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Luke 22:30

The Demise of the Promise

Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me. Why do ye not understand my speech? Even because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning and abode not in the truth because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own, for he is a liar and the father of it.

John 8:42-44

Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him ...

John 13:1-2

And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.

John 13:27

But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men; for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

Matthew 23:13

Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you that the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you.

Matthew 21:31

... Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 18:3

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Matthew 16:19

There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth when ye shall see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out. And they shall come from the east and from the west and from the north and from the south and shall sit down in the kingdom of God. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.

Luke 13:28-30

Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.

Matthew 21:43

Gathering

The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather others to him beside those that are gathered unto him.

Isaiah 56:8

To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

Romans 2:7

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

John 3:5

That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

1 Thessalonians 2:12

Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

Matthew 13:52

Lest Satan should get an advantage of us, for we are not ignorant of his devices.

2 Corinthians 2:11

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salva-

tion.

Heb 9:28

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:17

For our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change our vile body that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Philippians 3:20-21

Know ye not that we shall judge angels? How much more things that pertain to this life?

1 Corinthians 6:3

And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.

Acts 19:8

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears. And they shall turn away their ears from the truth and shall be turned unto fables.

2 Timothy 4:1-4

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

2 Timothy 4:18

Confirming the souls of the disciples and exhorting them to continue in the faith and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

Acts 14:22

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Romans 14:17

For all these things do the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:30-32

And Jesus said unto him, No man having put his hand to the plough and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God.

Luke 9:62

He that loveth his life shall lose it, and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

John 12:25

For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:11

Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil as a roaring lion walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.

1 Peter 5:8

The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the

works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

Romans 13:12

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: even him whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish because they received not the love of the truth that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie; that they all might be damned who believed not the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

2 Thessalonians 2:8-12

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net that was cast into the sea and gathered of every kind, which when it was full they drew to shore and sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth and sever the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 13:47-50

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Matthew 25:34

For this ye know, that no whoremonger nor unclean person nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

Ephesians 5:5

But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, establish,

strengthen, settle you.

1 Peter 5:10

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

2 Cor 4:17

If we suffer, we shall also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us. If we believe not yet he abideth faithful; he cannot deny himself.

2 Timothy 2:12-13

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.

Matthew 24:14

Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Revelation 20:6

The Return of the King

But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king; at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.

Jeremiah 10:10

These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and they that are with him are called and chosen and faithful.

Revelation. 17:14

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron; and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Revelation. 19:15

But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

Dan 7:18

And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

Obadiah 1:21

Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

Daniel 7:22

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 11:15

Resurrection of the Promise

And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

Zechariah 3:2

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned, for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

Isaiah 40:1-2

But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation; ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

Isaiah 45:17

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting and to everlasting.

Psalms 41:13

The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend and them which do iniquity.

Matt 13:41

For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion; therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

Isaiah 61:7

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years and cast him into the bottomless pit and shut him up and

set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Revelation 20:1-3

For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

1 Corinthians 15:25

And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers, even as I received of my Father.

Revelation 2:27

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests, and we shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 5:10

And there was given him dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:14

Then cometh the end when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father, when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

1 Corinthians 15:24

And there shall be no night there, and they need no candle, neither light of the sun, for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Revelation. 22:5

Finale

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me not in; naked, and ye clothed me not; sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred or athirst or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal.

Matthew 25:40-46

And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison and shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth and compassed the camp of the saints about and the beloved city; and fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and there was found no place for them.

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books

were opened, and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them, and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20:7-15

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Daniel 12:2

Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off and cast them from thee; it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

Matthew 18:8

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:17

Comment

There is no little dispute among Christians about the meaning of the Kingdom of Heaven ("Kingdom of God" is often used interchangeably) when the reference is particularly to the future ("Thy Kingdom come") and not generally to the overarching Kingdom of the sovereign Lord as in First Chronicles 29:11. To various degrees, interpreters have deeded to Christendom an exclusive province in the future Kingdom, distinct from that of any literal national Israel. What remains for Israel varies from something like an equal share to nothing at all. Catholic and Reformed interpretations bequeath little or nothing to Jacob and generally deny the Kingdom an earthly domain in the future. Even dispensationalists like to keep a separate "heavenly" program for themselves that is in some way superior to the earthly program based on the promises to Israel.

But all that sort of analysis is flat and unable to simultaneously touch all the facts. Another dimension must be recognized if better sense is to be made of the Scriptures: the Davidic covenant need not be replaced by the church at all. Today, yes, in this age the church is being built and saints are being gathered—but to what end in the Kingdom of heaven?

And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of David; and ye be a great multitude, and there are with you golden calves

2 Chronicles 13:8

Few are willing to concede that the Scriptures represent a unified

Kingdom. To place verses from various parts of the Bible side by side as has been done here will not be appreciated, for it definitely perpetuates the view of the Old Testament prophets, and nothing will convince such theologians that Israel is literally at the center of God's plan in perpetuity. In virtually all eschatological arrangements, the "Kingdom of Heaven" is, to various degrees, taken in a metaphorical sense at the expense of Israel rather than allowing the metaphors to descend from the ultimate literal Kingdom.

The unified literal view of the prophetic Scriptures does have this going for it: you give evidence that you respect what God says about Israel to the point where you disagree entirely with the devil, and there is no evidence that you and Satan are both intent on getting rid of the Jews now or later. Against that is the modern idea about the insignificance of race, which would have us revise Scripture and forget that "the man Christ Jesus" is a Jew.

Ought ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever, even to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?

2 Chronicles 13:5

