

The Invisible Kingdom of God, Part 2

(Luke 17:20-21)

I. The Irrefutable Kingdom

- A. God is King and He really rules over two Kingdoms, one Kingdom in two parts, two phases.
 - 1. First, there is His external universal Kingdom over which He rules by creation.
 - 2. But there's another Kingdom, and that is the internal, personal kingdom over which He rules by recreation.
- B. Jesus said the Kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed.
 - 1. It's not something that you can identify as an event.
 - 2. In fact, it is completely invisible.
- C. When we say we believe in the Lordship of Christ, we're just saying we know He's King and that means He's in charge, absolutely in charge.

II. The inescapable Kingdom

- A. The message of the gospel is, "Jesus is King, then bow to Him. Jesus is King, then follow Him."
 - 1. It is not offering Jesus as your buddy, Jesus as your pal.
 - 2. It's not offering Jesus as the guy who wants to come along and make you feel good about yourself.
- B. People think they can get saved one day and "make Jesus Lord of their life" later.
 - 1. You don't "make" Him Lord of your life.
 - 2. He is that on the basis of Who He is.
 - 3. You can't accept saviorhood and not accept Lordship anymore than you can accept his teaching and reject His Diety.

III. The Inevitable Kingdom

- A. Right now Jesus does not exercise His absolute rule over the whole earth.
- B. He now rules as King only among those who believe.
- C. Until He comes the Kingdom will be invisible and it will be internal and it will be personal and it will be spiritual and we build the Kingdom one soul at a time.
- D. We live in a Kingdom under a King.
- E. We are to worship, honor, obey and submit to Him as well as love and trust Him.