

# MAKE WAY FOR THE KING!

Matthew 24.14 // December 8, 2019

## THE NATURE OF THE KINGDOM

Luke 13.18-21 // Colossians 2.14, 15 // Matthew 28.16-19

Like a seed that transforms over time into a tall, fruit-bearing tree, and leaven that spreads to the very edges of a whole lump of dough, so does the Kingdom of God start small, but eventually, gradually, and even slowly grow in width, depth, height, and length.

This is made possible because of the victory of the cross. The cross, like the Allied Forces in WWII, breached the western front of the war, rendering the enemy unable to maintain his position, power, and stronghold.

- **Indicative (Because):** This is the truth that is our foundation. The "indicator" or sign that we look to as our anchor and our source.
- **Imperative (Therefore):** This is what we ought to do in light of the indicative. It is the command as well as hopeful result of our understanding and belief in the "Because."

## THE WEAPONS OF WARFARE

**It is the task of the church  
to make the invisible kingdom visible.**

-John Calvin

John 20.19-22 // Romans 10.13-16 // Luke 9.60-62

**Success in evangelism is not conversion,  
It is obedience.**

## V-DAY

Job 19.25-27 // Zechariah 14.1-5, 9 // 1 Corinthians 15.24-28  
Hebrews 12. 28, 29 // Revelation 11.15

Job lived during the time of the Patriarchs, around 1600 B.C., and is quite possibly the oldest written book of the bible. Yet despite not having the same Scriptures (which were not yet written nor compiled) nor theological traditions as neither the later Jews nor, of course, the teachings of Jesus, he knew that the Redeemer would come in the flesh to stand upon this very earth, and that he, Job, would be resurrected in his own body to see this Redeemer.

## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

#### **1 Corinthians 11:32**

But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

#### Elder Candidates

Tyler Willis and Casey Barnes

## **ARE YOU NEW HERE?**

### **WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!**

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### **WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?**

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### **JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **Matthew 24.14**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

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### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Read **Colossians 2.14, 15**. How does knowing that the enemy has been disarmed change how you preach the Gospel to yourself? What does this mean concerning your own self-condemnation, temptation, and how you deal with discouragement, sin, and struggles?

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### Repent and Ask for Provision

Often times we act as if we are in a losing battle. We become quite cynical, pessimistic, and a naysayer when it comes to living out our faith. This could be in our own life, or in our view of sharing the Gospel among those around us. What attitudes or actions do you need to repent of and see change in? What might you ask God for to help you turn from those tendencies and think, act, and walk differently?

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### Your Life Mission

The battle has been won for us, but the Kingdom still needs to be proclaimed through the earth. God uses us, the people of His Kingdom, to do so. What neighbors, friends, or relatives do you need to ask for prayer for as you seek to find opportunities to share the message of the Kingdom with them? What fears do you have that you need help with?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for those in your life that God has brought for you to be an ambassador of His Kingdom. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,  
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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