

# THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Proclamation and Demonstration

## THE CENTRAL MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

Rooted in the Old Testament - "The Lord shall reign forever and ever." -**Exodus 15.18**

This is grounded in the confidence that there is an eternal living God who has revealed Himself to men and women, and who has a purpose for the human race which He has chosen to accomplish through Israel.

This was the declaration of John the Baptist in **Matthew 3.1, 2**: "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is near," and was the message that Jesus preached and commissioned His disciples to preach, along with manifestation of God's presence and power over the devil.

Luke 9.1, 2 // Psalm 145:11-13

## THE PRESENCE OF THE FUTURE

**It is a Present Reality:** Matthew 12.28 // Luke 17.20, 21 // Colossians 1.13

**It is a Future Reality:** 1 Corinthians 15.50 // Matthew 25.24 // Revelation 20

### **Fulfillment Awaiting Consummation**

While this age goes on, God has made it possible to experience the power of the Kingdom. We have been delivered from the present evil age and its power (**Galatians 1.4**), and we have tasted the good Word of God, and the powers of the age to come (**Hebrews 6.5**).

- It must be received with faith like a child. **Mark 10:15**
- It must be our priority, passion and what we continue to seek after. **Matthew 6.33**

## THE MISSION OF JESUS

Matthew 11.4-6 // Luke 4.18,19

**Proclamation with Demonstration:**

Matthew 4.23-25, 12.28 // Acts 10.38 // 1 John 3.8

## THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

**Proclamation with Demonstration:**

Luke 9.1-9, 10.1, 9, 17-24 // Matthew 28.18-20 // Mark 16.15-18.

**Jesus sends us in the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom and to do the works of the kingdom.**

Acts 1:8



## NOTES:

### Recommended Resources

#### The Gospel Transformation Bible

Published by Crossway, this bible is not *so much* a study bible, but a bible with commentary to help you see the bigger picture of Christ and His Gospel in and through all the Scriptures.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We're so glad you joined us today! We'd LOVE for you to **fill out the green Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our **teammates in a Green Shirt** at the **Connection Booth** outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information.

Feel free to **grab some food or coffee** out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our Kids on Mission classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a **faithful servant** behind each of those examples. By giving your time and talent on Sundays, you're **an essential part** of helping others meet Jesus, and serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! Fill out a connection card or visit the **Connection Booth** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll **forge friendships**, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

### GIVING

**Gospel-centered generosity** should never be fueled by obligation or guilt; it should be motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call Life Mission your Home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at [lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give](http://lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give) or mail a check to our PO Box. **Thank you so much for your love & support!**

### KIDS ON MISSION

Our Kids are incredibly important to us! The Kids on Mission ministry has classrooms for **newborns - 6<sup>th</sup> grade** & is passionately overseen by **Audra Napolitano**. Please Visit [lifemissionchurch.com/blog/kids](http://lifemissionchurch.com/blog/kids) to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart and his walkthrough of our curriculum.

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our Junior High students (**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders**) worship with the adults, and then head to their class for the rest of service. We challenge them to **dig deeper into what they learned on Sunday** throughout the week.

Our **High School students** stay in the adult service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. For questions on our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at [hbarnes5@yahoo.com](mailto:hbarnes5@yahoo.com) or **John Hawthorne** at [hawthorne-john@hotmail.com](mailto:hawthorne-john@hotmail.com)

## SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

## EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

## SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read **Matthew 24.14**. What in this verse or from the sermon Sunday stuck out to you the most, and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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This week's discussion centers around the Kingdom of God. When we come to Christ we come under His rule to serve Him and His kingdom. However, we are bombarded with all kinds of messages from the world around us that express a value system that runs contrary to Christ's. How do we maintain and protect our Kingdom focus? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the kingdom of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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Jesus said in **Mark 10.15**, "I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the Kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." What does it mean to receive the Kingdom like a little child? \_\_\_\_\_

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Jesus said we are to seek the Kingdom. How do we lose sight of the Kingdom, and what will draw us away? \_\_\_\_\_

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Jesus said in **John 18.36**, "My kingdom is not of this world." What did He mean?

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What place does the Kingdom of God play in your life? What does it mean for you to be in His Kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_

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Read **Matthew 13.1-23**. Ask the Lord to show you what kind of soil you are. Examine your life and how it lines up with God's Kingdom. What are you giving your time, energy and money to? That is what will indicate whether it is God's or man's kingdom that your focus is on. \_\_\_\_\_

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Read **Matthew 9.35-38**. Then pray as a group or break up into groups and pray for God to send you, His laborer, into His harvest field.