

KINGDOM

SERMON SERIES

STUDY NOTES

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Not Far From The Kingdom

1 As you think about God's Kingdom, what have you heard in response to these two questions about the Kingdom: Where is it? When will it come?

2 Read Matthew 3:2 and Matthew 4:17. What similarities and differences do you see in what is said and who said it? What might this tell us about the Kingdom of God?

3 Read Luke 17:20-21. What observation do some people engage in now to see the coming of God's Kingdom? What does Jesus say at the end of verse 21 regarding the Kingdom?

4 If God's Kingdom was already then, and it is here...how is it here?

5 Read Luke 17:22-25. What does Jesus say about the coming of his Kingdom?

6 How does the "Now and not yet" show up in Jesus' teaching on the Kingdom of God?

7 How have you seen God's Kingdom here already in your life, your sphere, or your experience?

8 If we are not far from the Kingdom, because it is already here in Jesus and his people, how are you participating in it right now and what might fuller participation look like?

9 Pray together!!



The Coming of the Kingdom

20Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, “The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, 21nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There!’ for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.”

- 1 He fought _____ and defeated the Amalekites, _____ Israel from the hands of those who had plundered them.
- 2 Now here is the king _____, the one you asked for; see, the Lord has set a king over you.
- 3 But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his _____ or his _____, for I have rejected him.
- 4 In you, Lord my God, I put my _____, 5 ...my hope is in you _____.

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