

A "Preface" to ... **Landmark Kingdom School**

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A LITTLE BACKGROUND
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I am going to attempt to explain what has happened to me in the last few years..?

A small change in perspective has made a great change in my attitude. Now I see that the Spirit of the Lord God has been gradually placing piece by piece into place so that when I heard a man preaching the kingdom one day; and it was nothing astounding; but it just pricked my heart and I said oh, my Goodness...What have I missed?

In leading up to this, I was an avid student of the scriptures. I had worked along side my Father in the ministry. But, to be honest, I never really understood what made him tick, so to speak, in the Lord. I think I do understand somewhat better now.

I evangelized while working a public job. And later left the secular job and went out several years preaching and traveling by faith. Later I felt led to join an organized group of like-minded brethren in formal fellowship. But after several years, I came to the realization that I was called to something else, I knew not what, so I resigned and walked away.

Somewhere along the way the Spirit of the Lord spoke to me clearly one morning..."You are always preaching about my stuff and almost never about me".

That hurt. It made me start to re-evaluate what I had learned. In time God spoke to me to throw away my ministry books and notes and sermons I had collected since the early 70's and to start over. That was harsh! But, I did it. I took 12 garbage bags to the county land-fill on a 16' flat-bed trailer. I was going to start-over.

I begin to read the Bible again without my earlier doctrinal biases and prejudices. In time I began to see it all in a different light. The scripture is forever settled in heaven but our religious notions, religious creeds, and religious ideas are not. The basics did not change; but some of my doctrinal ideas did, especially when you examine things a little more closely using Jesus Christ as a template of the "Father's Business".

I saw that a religious confused spirit from the tower of Babel had such a firm grip on my perception of things...*'let us build city or tower unto heaven (for God), ...let us make a name for ourselves,Let's not be scattered upon the earth.* The 3 basic building blocks of all religion. Yes, both yours and mine! There-in lies the origins of man-made religious organizations and denominations or every stripe and flavor, no matter how much is preached, nor how sincerely it's agenda comes into being. It still is the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadduces; ...the spirit of religion; ...and Jesus still says ...beware!

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I SAW "KINGDOM" & "CHURCH" ...as a little DIFFERENT
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I had studied and thrown away many notes and such about the church and the kingdom. But, I had never seen that a great portion of my preaching was **church** oriented, ...rather than **kingdom** focused. I had not given it given it any thought. When I said "church" it was as though it meant "kingdom" and "Kingdom" as though it meant "Church". It didn't take much for me to see that I had spent, most of my adult life-time preaching "church" ...and not preaching the "kingdom". It is no wonder that I was so "churchy" and so little "kingdom" focused. By the way;..."kingdom" means "the sovereign reign & rule(dominion)" where as "church" means ..."the called / calling out".

Soon afterward the realization came that Christ Jesus never commissioned nor exhorted his disciples to go preaching the good news of "church". But, He repeatedly spoke of preaching the good news of the "Kingdom". The preaching of the good news of the kingdom calls people out of the world into his Kingdom. When they hear, they become the body of the called out ones.

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I saw the... FATHER'S BUSINESS as Kingdom Business
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I saw that I had not been "about the Father's Business" once it became apparent how Jesus spoke of so many various aspects of the "kingdom" over 100+ times in the 4 gospels. In contrast, He spoke of the "church"; ...only 3 times in 2 verses. 100+ vs 3. I began to adjust my ideas to Jesus' template.

I saw quickly how slow of a Christ Learner I had been. I was just blown away. Much repenting came. Every day it seemed I was learning something different; ...than what I had previously been trying to serve to people. Much weeping came as I began perceive of what I done to others, to family, my children, friends, brothers & sisters in the faith in my pursuit of church-i-ness. That failure and trespass seemed to be the worst of all the others I had experienced.

So the journey began and is still under-way. I feel better in my walk with the Lord. I sense that I am less religious that I was. It doesn't mean that all of my actions were in error; but, it emphasizes to me that both religion and the flesh really profit nothing in the long haul; ... no matter how genuinely sincere we are in our display of it. It was never God's intention to start a new religion. It was His intention to start a new race of creatures, a new family, a new generation, a new holy nation, a new Israel of God after the Spirit. He already had one Israel, after the flesh; He was not looking for another. His new race. His new Israel of God would be Spiritual; ...a Holy Ghost People. So I began to frame everything in Kingdom terms to force myself into repentance; to change my way of thinking. To reverse my previous decisions.

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I SAW the "KINGDOM" given to JESUS ...at CALVARY
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So this is the Revelation Christ has given me. One of the first items to go was evangelical's dispensationalism's often preached concept; ... that the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven are different quantities and that this Kingdom was Post-Poned! Christ's throne has not been post-poned.

The Kingdom is here now, within the hearts of believers. Hell doesn't want us to know it. Remember, Un-belief always presses us to focus on either yesterday or tomorrow...almost **never today**. *A Side-bar: this is not eternity! ...This is not Heaven! This is simply our turn to live in God's Holy Ghost Spirit Kingdom just as it was the O.T. people of Israel had their turn to live in God's natural physical Kingdom in the Canaan Promise Land.* Their O.T. experiences and circumstances were all a type and a allegory for us who live in Christ by the regenerating new birth of water and the Spirit; this in-dwelling of Jesus Christ by His Holy Spirit baptism.

Several things were integral to seeing that God's Kingdom of Heaven was instituted spiritually upon the day of Pentecost. Jesus was set down upon the throne then. Pentecost was similar to Inauguration Day. The whole universe knew that Day that Jesus was back and He was in charge over all powers and His invisible Holy Ghost kingdom which dwells within us.

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At CALVARY
SATAN lost Dominion & JESUS received KINGDOM & DOMINION
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It helped to see that Jesus was given an Holy Ghost Kingdom and Dominion 2000 years ago. *There-fore being by the right hand of God **exalted**, and having **received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, (a Holy Ghost Kingdom) he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.*** In the process of time, without warning it became clear that the *Daniel's 7:10... **judgment*** was Daniel seeing, not-the-end-of-time judgment...but God's **judgment** that set to end the O.T. In 7:12...some beasts were slain and destroyed ...but other beasts were not destroyed; ..but had their dominion taken away, and their lives were prolonged ...7:13..

That understanding did not set well with my mind; but it was there. At the same time as dominion is taken from the beasts (hell-darkness-devil) 7:14..."Dominion and a Kingdom" is given to the son and the glory of all peoples and nations serve him.

That is easy to attach to Calvary for I knew that Jesus received all of this at Calvary and was set down in the throne. Peter spoke of it in Acts 2. Of course, It all happened in a spiritual invisible sense at that time; ..at the end of the Old Covenant. Daniel shows us ...One dominion is taken from the beasts-the devil, while at the same time an **everlasting dominion, a kingdom** which shall not pass away is given to the Son of Man; Jesus Christ. His Kingdom shall never destroyed; ... as Hell's was destroyed at Calvary!

Jesus said All power in heaven & earth is given to me (Mat 28:18) and that He is alive forever more with the keys of hell and death (Rev 1:18) Jesus foretold of this when he said ..Now is the **judgment** of this world;(not the end-of-all-time judgment, but the judgment at end of the O.T., when the Prince of this World was cast out..Jo 12:31

By the way, there was a resurrection of O.T. saints that day at Calvary (Mat 27:52) All the blood from Abel down to Jesus' day was being accounted for upon that Calvary generation. O.T. Israel's house was left desolate. (Mat 23:32-38) A new Holy nation came into being which would bring forth fruit God had been seeking. (Mat 21:43) God instituted a new creation race of the born again.

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Saw God's Work in "Kingdom Terms" rather than "Church Terms"
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That's what I saw all of a sudden, then began to find everything Jesus said about the kingdom. Now it all makes so much more sense than before. From point I tried to frame everything in "Kingdom" terms, rather than "church" terms. Kingdom terms brought out relationship-family terms; such as, ...Father, son, daughter, children, birth, born again, brother, sister, husband, wife, marriage, wedding, virgins...etc Personally I noticed that "church" focus had a tendency to more towards **religion** emphasis. That much of Christian experience was simply laying down one O.T. law and taking up another N.T. law. Which created outward forms of Religion. The O.T. was to have been Moses House of Law; but, Jesus' House was to have been one of Grace & Truth. I saw the Way, Truth & Light as a Person. Not another Law.

So I decided for awhile to frame New Testament in Kingdom Terms; rather than Religious terms. So my study topics became...Kingdom Word, Kingdom Anchors, Kingdom School, Kingdom Heirs, Kingdom Inheritance, Kingdom Reigns, Kingdom Parallels, Kingdom Seeking, Kingdom Power, Kingdom Gospel (Good News), Kingdom Darkness, Kingdom Light, Kingdom Day, Kingdom Night.... I noticed that ...Nothing really changed; except on my focus and the way I framed it. **Religion** fails to work as well as **Relationship** and **Kingdom**.

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When "Relationship" TRUMPED "Religion" ..."FATHER" came into View
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I saw that the character of the O.T. God was the same character in the N.T. which Jesus displayed perfectly. One of the Christ Jesus's purposes was to revealed our heavenly Father by bringing him further out of the shadows into a more perfect "Son" light. Thus, the Word was made flesh and walked among us in fulness of expression beyond that of any of the shadow type figures of the O.T. Jesus expressing the fulness of the Godhead bodily, humanly ...God manifested in the flesh; ...Jesus expressed, the exact clear image of God the Father, not only as Prince of Peace, but also as Emanuel "God with Us", our Everlasting Father.

Jesus was all about revealing the Father. ...*but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, **save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.*** Mt 11:27 (Luk 10:22)

During this kingdom learning time, I spent so much time in the gospels I noticed how much Jesus spoke of the Father; which bothered me a bit because of my

back-ground which did not dwell on the Father Relationship much other than as an idea and not as a Father relationship. But once I had committed to go down this “kingdom” road and to take Jesus’ word above everyone else’s; I stayed with it in this Father aspect, too.

Moses ask God in Ex 33:18 to **Show me your GLORY**.... So God revealed himself: v19:”I will make all my goodness pass before you”

Our Jehovah God’s nature, the nature of our Everlasting Father is described in Exo 34: 6-7 *And the LORD passed by before him, and (called out as in meeting a person) **proclaimed**, ...The LORD, The LORD God, **merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth**, Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; ..*

Moses was shown the BACK-SIDE of GODhis name & glory when he was shown God as....

Merciful – Compassionate & Gracious GodGrace & Mercy renewed every morning.....Slow.... to Anger... God is not Touchy.....Abounding in goodness & Truth ...Lavish.....His arms are open to us.....Extending mercy to 1000’s generations....Forgiving Iniquities & Wickedness & Transgression Rebellion Sin But he does have Punishment ... for those who hate him

One morning in prayer the Spirit of the Lord told me that He is my Everlasting Father and will never leave me as my father had left me. In that moment I understood God as Father as never before; ...because my Dad had left me through death at 76 years, (I had placed much spiritual dependence upon him.) but my heavenly Father never leaves any of us...he’s everlasting. I had never put that together before.

I saw that Jesus is the expressed image of Almighty God whose 1st attribute mentioned to Moses was that of “Mercy : Compassion & Grace”. He had previously showed me that the “**theme song**” of the House of God during Solomon’s Temple dedication was “**the Lord is Good and his mercy endures forever.**” Also, I remembered the lid of the ark of the covenant was not called by any my favorite Religious names ...it was called the “**Mercy Seat**” where he communes and fellowships with us.

Jesus was revealing, the back-side of God, but the Face of God to as many as would receive Him. I began to adjust my view of our heavenly Father to Jesus’ viewpoint as much as I could. I was so religious. I have received the Spirit of the Son that I might call Him Abba...Father. My perspective toward my heavenly Father was changing.

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I SAW THE PARALLELS between O.T. & the N.T.
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While attending a church service one day, the special minister was preaching using numerous common Old Testament stories. I was aware that these O.T. stories ministered spiritual life unto New Testament Believers. Toward the latter part of his message; the Spirit stated so clearly; ...*"these are not stories; they are revelations of God and how His Spirit works"*. I immediately began to weep.

I knew that ...*"all these Old Testament things happened unto them for examples, unto the Christ followers, written for us"*..1Co 10:11 I knew the *"law of the O.T. was a shadow of good things to come"*..Heb 10:1 I knew the natural came first and afterward the spiritual...1Co 15:46 I also knew ...that the O.T. *"prophets had it revealed to them that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister these things."* 1Pe 1:12 But, I just never thought of it all as revealings and revelations of God for us N.T. believers. At that moment, the over-whelming parallels, became more clear, between the Israel-after-the-flesh (1Co 10:18) and the Israel-after-the-Spirit(Gal 6:16), ...those who have Christ as their King.

The parallels between the two Kingdoms, the natural and the spiritual, show how God designed Redemption around two creations, two Adams, two covenants, two births, two exodus's, two houses, two prophets, two temples, two warfares, two promise lands, two cities, two enemies, two weapons, two kings, etc.

The **1st was a physical redemption** with a literal exodus from a natural, physical bondage. Natural Israel, *after the flesh*, were the Old Testament People of God, the *"children of Israel"* to whom was given a natural kingdom with a LAW relationship with God. O.T. Israel after the flesh were a type and shadow of the coming N.T. kingdom.

The **2nd was a spiritual redemption** with a spiritual exodus from a spiritual, bondage of sin. A spiritual Israel, *after the Spirit*, a new covenant people who were "called out" to become the ***"children of God"*** or ***"sons of God"*** under a New Testament GRACE relationship with God, our heavenly Father, thru faith in the spiritual lamb, Christ Jesus, who took away the sins of the world.

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I Changed the Template from "Church" to "Kingdom"
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In reading, I found numerous scriptures, over 20, which proved to me, with-out a doubt that the God's "Kingdom of Heaven/God" came and was set up invisibly 2000 years ago in the hearts of believers. I saw that the phrases "Kingdom of

God” and the “Kingdom of Heaven” describe identically the same kingdom. Thus, “Dispensationalism’s” teachings and interpretations were laid aside. I began to read and pray from a Kingdom viewpoint rather than as a member of Christian Religion.

I saw the mountain top parallels between the O.T. and the N.T. How both the Old & New started out in Egyptian Slavery(sin & unbelief), ...both were sent a Deliverer, (Moses-Jesus), ...both escaped by an act of God, ...both natural and the spiritual are sealed in a watery grave (baptism) unto their deliverer. Both go into Wilderness Experiences which work to erase Un-belief and increase reliance Solely upon the Spirit of God as their guide and source. Both were promised an Inheritance (one is natural, the latter is spiritual). A second baptism equips us to begin the Warfare to take our Inheritance which God had promised us. Theirs was the Jordan River baptism unto Joshua, which placed them on the Canaan ground; while ours of the N.T. is the Holy Ghost Pentecost Baptism, the receiving the Spirit of our Joshua, the Lord Jesus Christ. Both covenant people have been resisted by surrounding forces every step of the way. Both fought to get their inheritance over time and then had to fight to possess it from the enemy who keeps coming to take it back.

The parallels make it clear how God speaks an O.T. word of prophecy about their natural conditions and as we of the N.T. preach the same verse; we experience a witness of the Spirit that it applies to us spiritually, also. One passage spoken once but applies twice (most of the time) to both natural Israel and spiritual Israel.

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I Saw How the DEVIL.... CONTINUES TO STEAL, KILL & DESTROY!
My “IDENTITY”... My “INHERITANCE”
... My “MINISTRY” ...My “KINGS GOVERNMENT”
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The devil is a liar and thief from the beginning. He resisted God’s plan for man by manipulating Adam & Eve to accept the serpent’s **words** over and above God’s **Words**. The great resister and accuser is that thief who always come to steal, kill, and destroy.

IDENTITY ...I saw that we believers have an identity, not as servants, but as **children of God**, as sons or daughters of God. We have been adopted and received his Spirit and his name. Darkness and evil tries to keep this from us... by keeping us religious rather than in relationship with our Heavenly Father. *Ga 4:5-7 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might **receive the adoption of sons**. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth **the Spirit of his Son** into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. ...Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then **an heir** of God through Christ.*

2Co 6:18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. N.T. believers are “children of God...the O.T. people were “children of Israel” ...there is a difference in relationship.

HEIRS & INHERITANCE ...When you realize that God gives to us N.T. children no less in fact better, than he gave to his O.T. children of Israel, your Holy Ghost inheritance is coming into view. They of the O.T. had a bountiful Inheritance; thus we have no less a bountiful inheritance also. The first was a natural, earthly inheritance; while the second; those in Christ, are given a spiritual, heavenly inheritance. The latter is just as spiritually real as the former was real temporally. Both suffer assaults, theirs were physical, and ours spiritual, .. by the surrounding kingdoms of darkness always seeking to take away that which God has given us. It is a Struggle. It is a Wrestle. It is a War to enter into God’s blessings and allow them to reign in our lives.

MINISTRY ... In the O.T. we saw a segregated priest-hood who only ministered in the spiritual things. All other members of Israel were kept out. But in Christ, all believers are counted as equal citizens as members of a holy nation, a chosen generation, a purchased people, a royal priesthood of all believers with only one high priest and his name is Jesus. All in the N.T. have equal citizenship. We all have different callings or positions; but the Holy Ghost life flows through all of us. Because It does, all males and females, young and old can minister to others salvation, healing and deliverance. Just as our king and savior; the Lord Jesus Christ. Freely we all have received ...thus Freely we all are to give it away. Man, Woman, boy, girl. All are qualified in the Spirit to represent Christ Jesus, their King. All ministries exist to more perfectly equip each of us to be better workers in the ministry; in the vineyard, in the field...edifying one another. We all work for him, taking directions from Christ Jesus, who is the head; which always yields harmony with one another.

Many ministries are mentioned ...1Co 12:28 **apostles, prophets, teachers, miracles, gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues** ..(Ro 12:6-8) ... **prophecy, ministering, teaching; exhorteth, giveth, ruleth, sheweth mercy**, (Eph 4:11) ...**apostles; prophets; evangelists; pastors, teachers;**

Eph 4:12 (All) For the perfecting (completing) (fully equipping) of the saints, for (serving in ministry work) the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

All ministries are simply to help the saints more completely and perfectly do ministry work in building up the body of Christ.

GOVERNMENT ...Thy God Reigns! A new government was coming *and would be upon His Shoulder whose kingdom He would order, establish and increase*

without end. Isa 9:6 The reigning of this kingdom would keep increasing with all peoples from all nations coming into this mountain of the Lord's House. It would not appear physically, but it would reside within man. The assembly of the 1st born. The victory is given where-ever we choose to stand in his name. In the last days, which began at Pentecost, Jesus was already exalted to the throne over God's N.T. people; ...Mt. Zion. A Heavenly, spiritual Jerusalem, would now represent Christ's people, His Bride. *He was exalted (Act 2) and sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.* Heb 1:3, 12:2 ...*with authorities and powers are being made subject to him.* 1Pet 3:22 *He is far above all principalities and powers, might and dominion, and every name, not only in this world, but in the world to come.* Eph 1:20-23

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IN CLOSING...
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For me personally, As I opened up to the Kingdom Perspective, it has wrought a great deliverance upon my life Spirit. Very little has changed. Nothing has moved. It's just the focus is more on Him than on church-i-ness. When God's intentions are couched in a "religious context" we are in a weaker position to live from. But when it is framed in "Relationship terms" which all understand from our natural birth; ...our faith can soar to higher heights.

In this Present Kingdom of God there is a reigning and ruling in the Holy Ghost which makes each of us OVERCOMERS over all the powers and assaults of the enemy as he does what he does best. But, praise God, we are given the Victory over all the power of the enemy.

Thy Kingdom Come, thy will be done in earth as in heaven....For thine is the kingdom, thine is the power, thine is the glory ...forever.....Amen!