Studies In The Kingdom Of God

The Kingdom Of Promise And Prophecy

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The truth of the matter is that Christ is ruling and reigning now in His kingdom!
“Now it shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it. Many people shall come and say, ‘Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk in His paths.’ For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall rebuke many people; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.”
The Kingdom Of Isaiah 2

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“But if I am delayed, I write to you so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth” (1 Tim. 3:15)
Joel 2:28–32

“And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; and also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord. And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the remnant whom the Lord calls.”
The Day Of Pentecost

• Promise Of Christ To Apostles (Acts 1:4–11)
• The Apostles Returned To Jerusalem (Acts 1:12)
• The Spirit Fell On The Apostles (Acts 2:1–4)
• Men From Every Nation Present (Acts 2:5–6)
• Fulfillment Of Joel 2:28–32 (Acts 2:16–21)
Daniel 2:44–45

“And in the *days of these kings* the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall *never be destroyed*; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall *break in pieces* and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall *stand forever*. Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain *without hands*, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure.”
Four Kingdoms Of Daniel Two

Head of Gold  Babylon

Chest & Arms of Silver  Medo-Persia

Belly & Thighs of Brass  Greece

Feet of Iron & Clay  Roman Empire
The Kingdom Of Daniel 2

**Promise**
- Days Of Rome
- Without Hands
- Break Kingdoms
- Never Destroyed
- Fill The Earth

**Fulfillment**
- Mark 1:14–15
- John 18:36
- Matthew 3:10
- Hebrews 12:28
- Colossians 1:23

“To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make all people see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ; to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places, according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord…” (Eph. 3:8–11)
The Stone

“Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.” (Daniel 2:35)
During The Days Of Rome

- The stone was to begin the smiting of the image during the time of the Roman Empire.
- The kingdom of Christ began to work during the days of the Roman Empire.
- The Roman Empire has ceased to exist.
Break In Pieces

“...it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.”

Daniel 2:44

“See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant.”

Jeremiah 1:10
The Militant Church

“I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a man’s foes will be those of his own household.” (Matt. 10:34–36)

“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.” (2 Cor. 10:3–6)

“Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.” (1 Tim. 6:12)

“But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some brethren to the rulers of the city, crying out, ‘These who have turned the world upside down have come here too.’” (Acts 17:6)
The Increase Of His Government

“And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.” (Dan. 2:35)

“Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.” (Isa. 9:7)

“Another parable He put forth to them, saying: The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field, which indeed is the least of all the seeds; but when it is grown it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches. Another parable He spoke to them: The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till it was all leavened.” (Matt. 13:31–33)
Three Ways A Kingdom Can Increase

☛ Increase In *Territory*
☛ Increase Of *Power*
☛ Increase In The *Number Of Subjects*
The Increase Of His Kingdom

- It cannot increase in **territory** *(Col. 1:16–18)*
- It cannot increase in **power** *(Matt. 28:18)*
- The only way His kingdom can increase is in the **number of subjects**, or citizens, of His kingdom.
- The kingdom of Christ does not increase by physical generation; but, being a spiritual kingdom, by regeneration *(1 Peter 2:5)*
- In the growth of His kingdom, you will not hear the roar of canons, the unsheathing of carnal swords or the explosion of munitions
How Will His Kingdom Grow?

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek”

Romans 1:16

“….if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.”

Colossians 1:23

By The Preaching Of The Gospel