

The Priority of God - His Kingdom

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

- Never seek things! Things we need will follow from seeking God’s Kingdom first!
- Seek His Kingdom first!
- “Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven “.

Matthew 5:6-7 (NKJV)

“Blessed [are] those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. 7 Blessed [are] the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.”

“Man’s principle problem in life is identifying what is his most important problem.” Myles Munroe

“Mankind’s principle need is identifying what is his most important need.” Myles Munroe

Not food, water, clothing, shelter etc, but ...

1. The Kingdom of God.
2. The Righteousness of God.

How can we use things we need for kingdom purposes?

Eg. I need a new house. How can I use the new house for kingdom purpose?

New car? How can this serve God’s purposes?

What is The Kingdom?

- Dominion or royal government - Seek this first!
- God's reign - Seek this first!
- God's royal power - Seek this first!
- God's Government - Seek this first!
- God's rulership over earth - seeks this first!
- God's will being executed - Seek this first!
- God's jurisdiction - Seek this first!
- Heavens influence - Seek this first!
- God's administration - Seek this first!
- God's impact on earth - Seek this first!
- Execution of God's authority on earth - Seek this first!
- Let everything come under His authority. Family, Church, business, education, politics, law enforcement, parliament, Congress, sports, media etc

The Divine Command:

"Seek"

- Pursue - The Kingdom & Righteousness
- Study - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- Explore - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- Understand - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- To learn - about the Kingdom & Righteousness
- To consider - the Kingdom & righteousness
- To desire to know - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- To have a passion for - The Kingdom lifestyle
- To be diligently dedicated to - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- To preoccupy yourself with - the Kingdom & Righteousness
- We are waiting to get to heaven whilst God is wanting to "bring heaven to earth"!

Don't seek prosperity. Seek The Kingdom! The King & His Kingdom are true eternal treasure.

When we do this, He will take care of everything we need.

The divine priority: The Kingdom of God

"First"

- Priority
- Principle
- Before all others
- Most important
- Highest value on
- Above everything
- Establish as primary
- ***What is most important to God?***
- ***If Kingdom is God's priority, make it ours also!***
- ***There is nothing more important to talk about.***

Matthew 24:14 (NKJV) "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."

Q. What did Jesus Preach?

The Kingdom!

Q. What did Jesus advance?

The Kingdom!

For 40 days after His Resurrection... Jesus spoke about The Kingdom!

Acts 1:3 (KJV)

"To whom also he shewed Himself alive after His passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them

forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:”

Matthew 4:17 (NKJV)

“From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 10:7 (NKJV)

“And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’

Luke 4:43 (NKJV)

“but He said to them, “I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent.”

Luke 9:1-2 (NKJV)

“Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. 2 He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.”

Luke 9:60 (NKJV)

“Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.”

Matthew 4:23 (KJV)

“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.”

Matthew 9:35 (KJV)

“And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.”

Stand up and speak! God's sovereign rule on earth!

On earth as it is in heaven!

His Kingdom come!

His will be done!

The Kingdom works!

His government rules and reigns!

Don't complain, take over!

Establish God's rule.

City on a hill. Not hiding our light under the table.

Shine brightly! Radiate Jesus!

The Divine Disposition:

"His Righteousness" - not a religious word, but a legal word from the courts of law.

- right positioning with authority
- In alignment with authority
- Right standing with authority
- In Fellowship with authority
- Right relationship with authority
- Legal, lawful alignment
- Correct standing with the law or regulations (principles)

When we obey the laws of the government, then we are in right standing with the government. We pay our taxes. We stop at a red robot etc. We obey the laws of the land.

When we break the law, then punishment follows.

As citizens of heaven, we live by a higher law. His Word governs our lives. His Word is our "constitution". It is forever settled in heaven.

***Let us Seek first His Kingdom... His Righteousness....
the rest will fall into place!***