

A night sky with the Milky Way galaxy visible, a mountain range in silhouette, and the scene reflected in a body of water. The text is centered in the upper half of the image.

Thy Kingdom Come

Matthew 13

**What is the “Kingdom”
of God?**

“the Kingdom of God is **“the Sphere of God’s rule”**.
Psalms 22:28; Psalms 145:13; Daniel 4:25; Luke 1:52; Romans 13:1,2
Since, however, the Earth is the scene of Universal rebellion
against God Luke 4:5,6; 1 John 5:19; Revelation 11:15-18 the
Kingdom of God is **“the sphere in which, at any
given time, His Rule is acknowledged”**. *God* has
not relinquished his sovereignty in the face of rebellion,
demoniac and human, but has declared His purpose to
establish it, Dan 2:44; 7:14; 1 Cor 15:24, 25.

- W.E. Vine; Vines Expository dictionary

The Kingdom of God then *is the
sphere in which God's rule is
acknowledged*

**“your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.”**

- Jesus; Matthew 6:10

“Meantime, **seeking willing obedience**, He (God) gave his law His law to a nation and appointed kings to administer His “kingdom” over it, **1 Chron 28:5**. Israel, however, **though declaring still a nominal allegiance** shared in the *common rebellion*, **Isaiah 1:2-4**, and after they had rejected the Son of God, **John 1:11** (cf. **Matt 21:33-43**), were “cast away,” **Rom 11:15, 20, 25.**”

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**But God foresaw all this and
had already made plans...**

5 Phases

Of the Kingdom

- 1 **P**rophesied
- 2 **P**resented
- 3 **P**ostponed
- 4 **P**hysical
- 5 **P**erpetual

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Propheesied

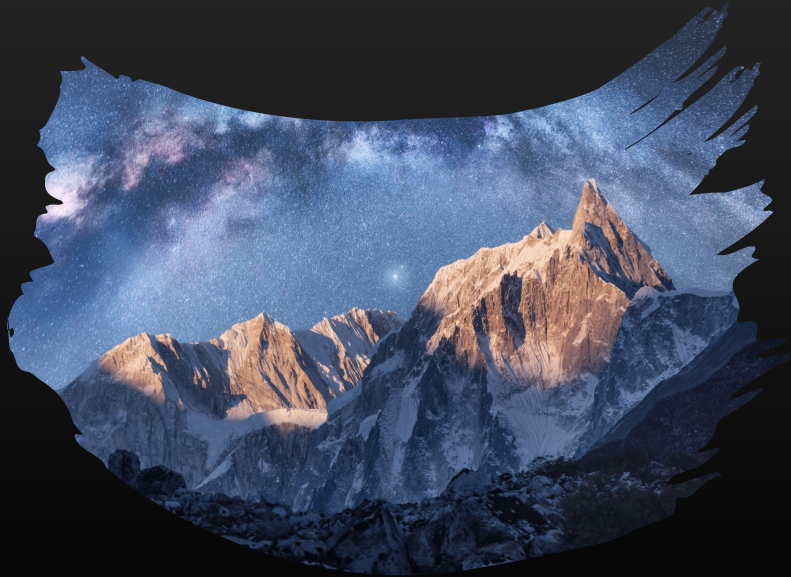
Kingdom

“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven **will set up a kingdom** that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. **It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end**, but it will itself endure forever.

- Daniel 2:44

Prophesied

Kingdom



2 Samuel 7:16

- A descendent of David would be King

Daniel 7:16-18, 22, 27

- The saints would possess this kingdom

**Rev 5:10, 20:9-15, Psalm 2:8-10,
Zech 14:9**

- The kingdom will be here on earth

Acts 1:6,7

- The kingdom is still future

2

Presented

Kingdom

“Repent, for **the kingdom of heaven is near.**”

- Matthew 3:1-3

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“In those days **John the Baptist** came, preaching in the Desert of Judea and saying, *“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”*”

- Matthew 3:1,2

2

When **Jesus** heard that John had been put in prison, he returned to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, ... From that time on Jesus began to preach, *“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”*”

- Matthew 4:12, 17

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These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. **Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel.** As you go, preach this message: *‘The kingdom of heaven is near.’* Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons.

- Matthew 10:1,2

Why Repent ?

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Why only to Israel

**you who have
received the
law** that was put
into effect through
angels **but have
not obeyed it.”**

- Acts 7:53



Presented

Kingdom

“It is only by Beelzebub, the prince of demons, **that this fellow drives out demons.**” – Matthew 13:24

“But **his subjects hate him** because he said to them after him to say, **‘We don’t want this man to be our king.’** – Luke 19:14

“Here is your king,” Pilate said to the Jews. But they shouted, “Take him away! Crucify him!” **“Shall I crucify your king?”** Pilate asked. **“We have no king but Caesar,”** the chief priests answered. – John 19:14b-16

REJECTED

3

Postponed Kingdom

“...Therefore I tell you that **the kingdom of God will be taken away from you** and given to a people **who will produce its fruit...**”

- Matthew 21:42-46

Then they gathered around him and asked him, “**Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?**” He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority...

- Acts 1:6,7

Matthew 13

**The Rejected King now speaks in
parables publicly to his enemies but
explains them in private to his
disciples**

**What are the Parables of the
Kingdom ?**

The Parables of the Kingdom ***describe***
the Postponed form of the Kingdom
on earth... They ***describe*** what the
kingdom of heaven on earth will be
like, while the rejected King is in heaven.

**Now that Israel has rejected this King
what will the Kingdom on earth be like
until Jesus comes back?**

Postponed

The Kingdom *withdrawn*

- Jesus begins *speaking in parables in order to conceal* the nature of the Kingdom from His enemies.
- The Kingdom's subjects are *no longer the natural descendant's* (Israel) but *rather those who do His fathers will*
- Jesus brings this message to the crowds (mixed) and *only those with ears to hear* will be capable of understanding the true message
- Jesus **explains the message of the parables in private** to his servants so that they may be able to bring out old and new treasures.

Postponed

Do you have ears to
hear?



Postponed

Parables of the Kingdom

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- Parable of the soils (Matthew 13:3-23)
- The wheat and the tares (Matthew 13:24-30)
- Parable of the mustard seed (Matthew 13:31-32)
- The woman mixing the leaven in the meal (Matthew 13:33-35)
- Hidden treasure in the field (Matthew 13:44)
- Pearl of great price (Matthew 13:45, 46)
- Net cast into the sea (Matthew 13:47-50)
- Parable of the unforgiving servant (Matthew 18:21-35)
- Parable to the laborers in the vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16)
- Parable of the tenants (Matthew 21:33-43)
- The marriage of the kings son (Matthew 22:1-14)
- The wise and foolish virgins (Matthew 25:1-13)
- Parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30)

Postponed

Parable of the soils



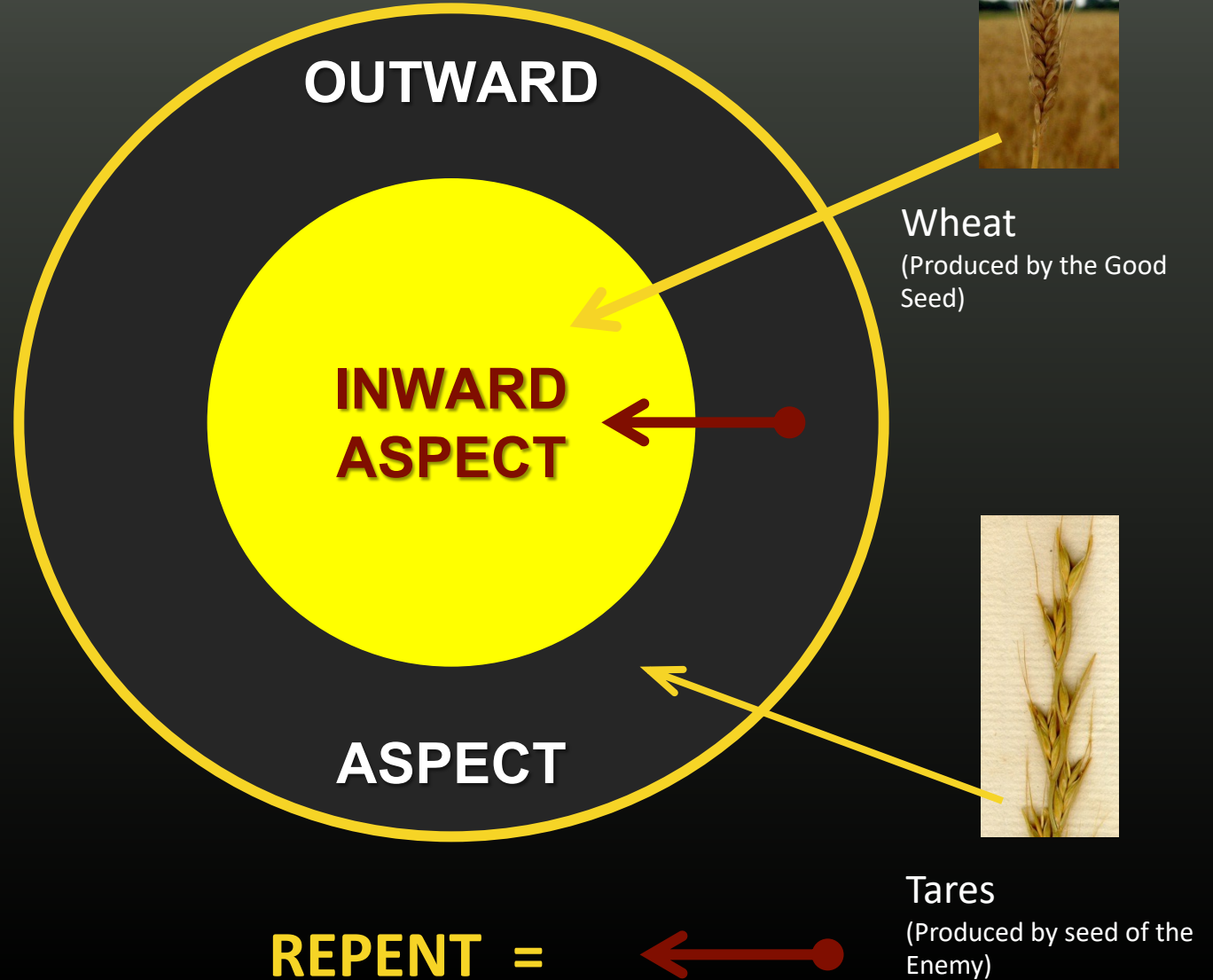
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Parable of the weeds



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Parable of the weeds



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Parable of the mustard
seed



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Parable of Yeast



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Parable of the Treasure in
a Field



Postponed

Parable of the Pearl



Postponed

Parable of the Net



While Jesus is absent from the Kingdom

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Postponed

What did we learn

- It is made up of **saved and un-saved** people that are almost indistinguishable
- The Kingdom **will become very large** but evil will take up residence in it
- The Kingdom will have false doctrine in it
- The Kingdom message (Seed) will produce 4 kinds of results **but only one that produces fruit**
- **The good and bad** will be separated at the end of the age
- Jesus has paid everything to purchase the world
- Jesus has paid everything to purchase the church
- The true Israel will be revealed at the end of the age

Postponed

The Kingdom of heaven is
like...



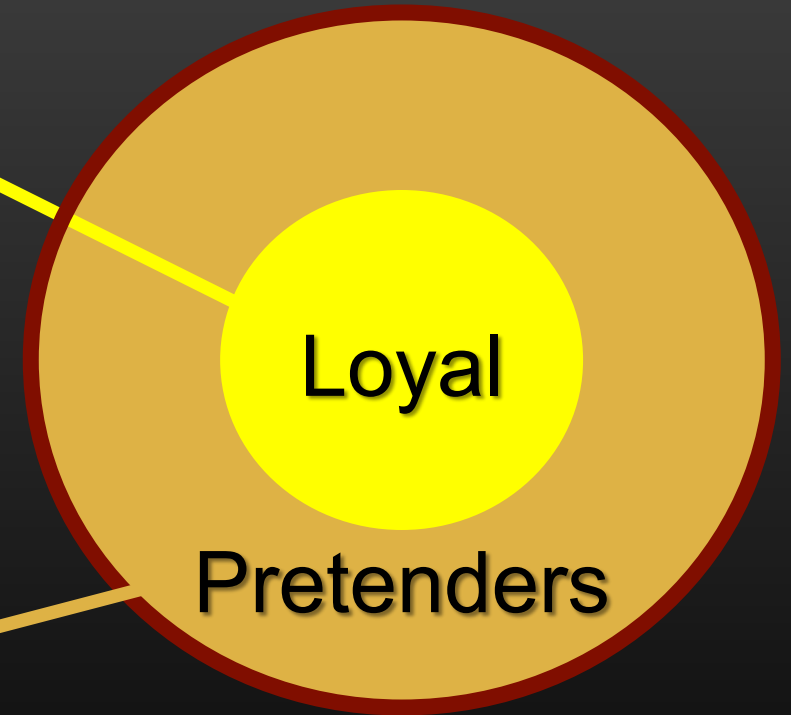
The Kingdom of England



The Sphere of
England's Rule
over her
professed
subjects

2 Kinds of Subjects

Those Loyal to the True King **and** pretenders loyal to the evil one



And all ***claimed*** to be English

From the days of John the Baptist until now, **the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing**, and *forceful men lay hold of it.*

- Matthew 11:12

The Pretenders

Those Loyal to prince John
(**The Evil one**) wanted the
kingdom for themselves.



“The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. **The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil.**

- Matthew 13:37-39

The True Subjects

Are Those Loyal to King
Richard.



“But when the tenants saw ***the son***, they said to each other, ‘**This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him** *and take his inheritance.*’

- Matthew 21:38

The Kingdom Cleansed



At the end of he Age **the true King will return**
and remove all that **defiles** from His
Kingdom.

The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. “As the weeds are *pulled up and burned in the fire*, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and **they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil.** They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then ***the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.*** *He who has ears, let him hear.*

- Matthew 13:39-41

Postponed

Symbol Key

“Have you understood all these things”

- The Seed – The good news about the kingdom
- The Wheat – The sons of the Kingdom
- The Tares – False teachers produced by the seed of the evil one
- Field – World
- The Birds – Satan and his Minions (prince of the power of the air)
- The Soils – The Heart of Man
- The Treasure – Israel
- The Pearl – The Church
- The Dragnet – The message of the gospel
- The Good Fish – Sons of the Kingdom
- The Bad Fish – False Professors.
- The Harvest – The end of the age.
- The Yeast (Leaven) – Evil
- The Woman – The Great Whore (Rev 17)

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Physical Kingdom

“...but they will be priests of God
and of Christ **and will reign
with him for a thousand
years.**”

- Revelation 20:6b

Physical

From Physical to
Perpetual

Of the greatness of his government and peace **there will be no end**. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness **from that time on and forever**. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

- Isaiah 9:7

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Permanent

Kingdom

There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, **for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.**

- Revelation 22:5

Permanent Kingdom

“For behold, **I create new heavens and a new earth**, and the **former things** shall not be remembered or come into mind.

- Isaiah 65:17

5 Phases

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