

## C&C: Are you Kingdom Minded

Connections and Comparisons is an ongoing weekly series that deals with many scriptures in the Bible, some of which are not commonly addressed. The purpose of this series is to examine the scriptures at hand comparing what is said and looking at the connections within.

### **Luke 16:16**

16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

### **Luke 17:20-21**

20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

### **Luke 13:24**

24 Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

This kingdom of God that is preached that “every man presseth into it” and is told to “Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able,” this kingdom of God “cometh not with observation” but “is within you.” A kingdom minded person will press and strive to enter into this kingdom of God!

### **Romans 8:9**

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

A kingdom minded person has the same mind set that Jesus Christ has.

### **Luke 19:10**

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

### **Isaiah 43:10-12**

10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.

### **Acts 1:5-8**

5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

7 And he said unto them, **It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.**

8 **But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**

The kingdom of God that Jesus was speaking of was the one that is inside of you when you partake of being born again, **“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.”** (Acts 2:38)

When Jesus returns again to the Earth, he will reign out of Israel and the kingdom will be restored to Israel. However, until that day it is our priority to witness of Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God. Instructing people how they can correctly be born again so that they too can be part of this kingdom of God.

#### **Luke 13:25-29**

25 **When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:**

26 **Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.**

27 **But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.**

28 **There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.**

29 **And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.**

A kingdom minded person is daily busy about the Master's business of soul winning. They are praying and seeking of ways to further the kingdom of God. Diligently enquiring of the Lord Jesus of how they can be laborers in the harvest field and how they can effectively witness this gospel of the kingdom so that others might be saved.

#### **Luke 19:11-13**

11 **And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.**

12 **He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.**

13 **And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.**

#### **Luke 10:2**

2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

A kingdom minded person desires to be laboring in the harvest fields! They desire to be used of God for the glory of the kingdom of God! They serve in the fields not for vainglory but for the Lord of glory! They recognize that there isn't any job too small for the kingdom of God and that each job is critical and requires diligent responsibility to.

A kingdom minded person understands the importance of serving in the kingdom of God and the importance of each member of the body of Christ as well as each sinner that is in the world, and is always ready to give a reason of the hope of Christ that is in them with meekness and fear.

### **John 13:12-17**

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

### **Philippians 2:3-11**

3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### **Galatians 6:1-2**

1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

### **1 Peter 3:15-17**

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

16 Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

17 For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

A kingdom minded person adds to their learning so that they do not sin against God and that they may be able to help others with the same comfort of the scriptures that they themselves were comforted by in any situation.

### **Psalms 119:9-12**

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.

11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

12 Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.

### **Proverbs 9:9-10**

9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

### **2 Corinthians 1:3-4**

3 Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

A kingdom minded person sees all people as souls in need of salvation or edification. They are reminded that they once too were in sin but have been forgiven. They have grown in mercy and in grace and are full of compassion without hypocrisy.

### **Colossian 3:12-14**

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

14 And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

### **1 Timothy 1:5**

5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:

### **James 2:12-13**

12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.

13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

## **2 Peter 3:18**

18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

## **Proverbs 3:3-7**

3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

4 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

## **James 3:17-18**

17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

## **1 Peter 3:8-9**

8 Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:

9 Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

## **Romans 12:9-21**

9 Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

16 Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.

17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

A kingdom minded person knows that love covers a multitude of sins!

### **1 Corinthians 13:4-8a**

4 **Charity** suffereth long, and is kind; **charity** envieth not; **charity** vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

8 **Charity never faileth:**

### **1 Peter 4:8-11**

8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

9 Use hospitality one to another without grudging.

10 As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

11 If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.