

THE CHURCH & THE KINGDOM PART 8 - Your Kingdom Come

Small Group Notes

Matthew 6:9 *Pray then like this:*

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

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

In heaven, (as opposed to on earth):

- the one who sits on the throne is worshipped above all else.
- every creature does the will of God.
- there are no idols competing for our attention.
- there is no hatred, strife or division.

List some examples of how each of these things is not the norm today on earth.

When Verse Ten literally happens, and Jesus has set up his kingdom here on earth, what do you think are some changes we will see in the way the planet is run?

How would this prayer, if answered in our hearts right now, affect an individual? How would it affect a person's...

- ...relationships with unbelievers?**
- ...desire for material possessions?**
- ...feelings about church?**
- ...goals and ambitions?**
- ...passion for God?**

How do you think these verses are connected to what we are discussing tonight?

Psalm 69:8 *I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my mother's sons.*

9 *For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.*

Philippians 3:7 *But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.*

8 *Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ*

Romans 5:5b *God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

What are some ways this prayer could cause life-altering changes in your life?

- A shuffling of "friends"?
- A release of new life?
- A sense of perfect peace?

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