THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM

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Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all Scriptures are taken from the NKJV.

Jesus Began to Preach

Matthew 4:17 "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.""

Jesus Preached the Gospel of the Kingdom

Matthew 9:35 "Then <u>Jesus went</u> about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, <u>preaching the gospel of the kingdom</u>, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people."

- Gospel means "good news" of the Kingdom
- Kingdom G932 = royal power, dominion, sovereignty, it is the king's domain

Jesus Sent Out the Disciples

Matthew 10:7-8 "And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.""

The Gospel of the Kingdom

Matthew 24:4-14 "Jesus answered: 'Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah,' and will deceive many. You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains. Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."

- 1. Watch out that no one deceives you
- 2. See to it that you are not alarmed
- 3. Stand firm to the end
- 4. Preach the gospel of the Kingdom

Matthew 28:18-20 "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' Amen."

The Seven Mountains of Societal Influence

In 1975, two well-known Christian leaders, Loren Cunningham, founder of Youth With A Mission, and Bill Bright, founder of Campus Crusade For Christ, were given a simultaneous supernatural message for each other.

They concluded that in order to truly transform any nation with the Gospel of the Kingdom, these seven facets of society must be reached:

Religion, Family, Education, Government, Media, Arts & Entertainment and Business.

We are to be 7 Mountain Kingdom Influencers!

The Kingdom of God is First

Matthew 6:33 "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."