

# LESSON 8

## EARTHLY OR SPIRITUAL KINGDOM (PART 2)?

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# What is Premillennialism?

Doctrine that Christ's second coming will come **before** 1000 year reign of kingdom on earth.

Did God fulfill the land promise made to Abraham? Provide Scripture.

→ YES. JOSH. 21:43-46.

Was this land promise conditional? Provide Scripture.

→ YES. JOSH. 23:12-16; DEUT. 6:10, 15, 18-19; 8:19-20.

What were the other 2 promise made to Abraham? Were they fulfilled? Provide Scriptures.

→ GREAT NATION, SEED.

→ YES.

→ GREAT NATION: DEUT. 1:10, 10:22, Heb. 11:11-12, Acts 7:17.

→ SEED: ACTS 3:25-26, 13:32-33, 38.

# How would you define the Kingdom of Christ?

→ RULE OF JESUS CHRIST REIGNING AS KING AND CHRISTIANS SUBJECT TO THE KING. SPIRITUAL NOT PHYSICAL KINGDOM.

# Does the word “Kingdom” have Different Meanings?

- YES BUT ALL MEANINGS REVOLVE AROUND “RULE”.
- 7 USES. 1. PLACE RULED; 2. RULE ITSELF;
- 3. THE KING AND HIS PRINCES, GOVERNORS, OR OTHERS GIVEN AUTHORITY; 4. DYNASTY; 5. PEOPLE RULED; 6. BOTH THE RULERS AND PEOPLE RULED; 7. BLESSINGS OF MESSIANIC RULE.

# Objectives

UNDERSTAND THAT GOD'S PLAN  
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST WAS  
ALWAYS A SPIRITUAL KINGDOM AND  
NOT A PHYSICAL ONE.



# It was established upon the Resurrection of JC with Him as King.

1). When was Revelation written by the Apostle John? In Rev. 1:4-10, is the Kingdom talked about in the present, past or future? Provide data.



70 AD.



Past. Vs. 5 ruler, released from sins, vs. 6 past tense “has made us”, vs. 9 John fellow partaker in kingdom.

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2). Does Heb. 12:28 support a kingdom already established or a future kingdom?

→ Existing established kingdom.  
How can the Hebrews heed the admonition of showing gratitude if kingdom was not already been established?

# It was established upon the Resurrection of JC with Him as King.

3). What question did Pilate ask Jesus in Luke 23:3 and what was Jesus answer?

→ "Are You the King of the Jews?" "It is as you say." Note FOS. Jesus not King at moment of question but would be king shortly.

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4). What position did Timothy say Jesus was  
in 1 Tim. 6:15?

→ Only Sovereign, the King of Kings  
and Lord of Lords.

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5). What happened to Jesus after the resurrection according to Mark 16:19?



Sat down at the right hand of  
God i.e. ruling as King.

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6). What does Peter and the rest of the Apostles affirm about Jesus reigning over His Spiritual Kingdom in Acts 2:25-36?



**GOD HAD SWORN TO David TO SEAT one OF HIS DESCENDANTS UPON HIS THRONE. Jesus God raised up has been exalted to the right hand of God, i.e. reigning now.**

# His Disciples Did Not Understand it was Spiritual Kingdom.

7). What do these Scriptures (Mt 16:21-22;  
Lk 18:31-34; Jn 16:16-18; 20:9) indicate  
about His Disciples?

→ They didn't understand his death.

# His Disciples Did Not Understand it was Spiritual Kingdom.

8). What do these Scriptures (Jn 13:36-14:6) indicate about His Disciples?

→ They didn't understand Him being resurrected after His death.



# His Disciples Did Not Understand it was Spiritual Kingdom.

9). What do these Scriptures (Jn 18:36 Lk 17:20-21 Vs. Lk 19:11) indicate about His Disciples understanding about the Kingdom?



They thought kingdom was physical.

# No Benefit for a Physical Kingdom.

10). What do these Scriptures (John 4:21; Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 5:16-17; Gal. 6:15,16; Php. 3:2-9) say about the benefit of a physical Kingdom for Israel?



**No value in being of Israel according to the flesh.**

# The Implications of PM Position.

11). What are the implication of the PM Position on this topic?



1. It denies Christ's present Kingship, 2. It voids God's promises, 3. It limits God's power and 4. It makes Christ's kingdom an earthly one. He told us plainly that it was NOT. John. 18:36.

