



20 Jesus, grilled by the Pharisees on **when the kingdom of God would come**, answered,
 "The kingdom of God doesn't come by counting the days on the calendar.
 21 Nor when someone says, 'Look here!' or, 'There it is!'
 And why? **Because God's kingdom is already among you.**"

The Mysteries of the Kingdom

Luke 8:10 NKJV

And He said, "To you it has been given to know **the mysteries of the kingdom of God**,
 but to the rest it is given in parables,
 that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.'

- ✓ **The Bible is about the King and His Kingdom**
- ✓ **The Kingdom is always advancing...but it has no borders.**
 - **It's determined by its citizens no matter where they live.**
- ✓ **The Kingdom is inclusive...but not to just anyone.**
- ✓ **God wants His Kingdom on earth...but it's not an earthly kingdom.**

Matthew 6:9-10 NKJV

9 Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.
 10 **Your kingdom come.** Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.
- ✓ **The Kingdom is not perceived by human senses.**
 - **It's hidden from the eyes of the disobedient & rebellious**
 - **It's revealed to the humble.**
- ✓ **The first shall be last and the last shall be first in the Kingdom.**
- ✓ **Entrance into the Kingdom does not rely on physical birth...**
 - **But entry into the kingdom is obtained only through birth.**
- ✓ **Jesus didn't come to establish a religion...but reestablish the kingdom**
- ✓ **Every knee will bow to the King...but not every knee willingly.**

Notes: _____

The Kingdom

Are We There Yet?

Are You There Yet?

1. Focus – on God's Kingdom.

Matthew 13:44 Message

God's kingdom is like a treasure hidden in a field for years and then accidentally found by a trespasser. The finder is ecstatic — what a find! — and proceeds to sell everything he owns **to raise money and buy that field.**

Am I focused on God's Kingdom? _____

Why / Why not? _____

2. Forgo - everything else for God's Kingdom.

Matthew 13:45-46 NLT

45 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls.
 46 When he discovered a pearl of great value, **he sold everything he owned and bought it!**

Am I forgoing everything for God's Kingdom? _____

What sacrifice should I make to prioritize God's Kingdom? _____

3. Faith – live authentically as a citizen of God's Kingdom.

Matthew 13:47-50 NLT

47 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a fishing net that was thrown into the water and caught fish of every kind. 48 When the net was full, they dragged it up onto the shore, sat down, and **sorted the good fish into crates**, but threw the bad ones away. 49 That is the way it will be at the end of the world. The angels will come and separate the wicked people from the righteous, 50 throwing the wicked into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Does my faith meet God's standard to be a keeper in His Kingdom? _____

Why /Why Not? _____

Notes: _____

