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KINGDOM OF GOD

4 RELIGIOUS GROUPS DURING JESUS' DAY:

- ≡ Sadducees - Cared mainly for their status
- ≡ Zealots - Believed the kingdom had not arrived because no one would fight
- ≡ Essenes - Believed the kingdom had not arrived because they were not separate enough
- ≡ Pharisees - Believed the kingdom had not arrived because people had abandoned God & must return to true worship



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“KINGDOM OF HEAVEN”

“heaven” is a synonym for God

JESUS USES “KINGDOM OF GOD” 82 TIMES



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PSALM 118:22

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You become part of the Kingdom by being “born from above” *...a continual process - everyday God doing something new in you*

The Kingdom is expensive as it will cost you everything

The Kingdom brings all you can dream of your God given calling

The Kingdom requires willingness to surrender your life to be ruled by God

The Kingdom is not right of birth,
it is a privilege of new birth.



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The only son of the owner of the vineyard was the
Son of David:
Jesus, The King, the one to bring the Kingdom

*“If a stone falls on a pot, woe to the pot!
If a pot falls on a stone, woe to the pot!
In either case, woe to the pot!”*
Talmud

Jesus, the stone remains...the cornerstone of the Kingdom
... If you trust the son with your life
you may never be broken



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- The rule of God over a people who keeps the decrees of God.
- Rooted in the confession of His authority AND the doing of His will.

Kingdom is open to everyone...

Costs you nothing (and everything)...

Brings real Joy...

Get there by loving God & placing faith in Jesus...

...To submit your entire life to Him
& live how He leads



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