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"The time has been fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:15



Introduction

In addition to the natural realms of this world there are two spiritual realms that actually exist. Every living person is a resident of one of these two kingdoms: The kingdom of darkness or the Kingdom of God. This book will be focused on the Kingdom of the Lord, but I want to make clear my position on darkness, because lately I have heard teachings that totally disqualify Satan, to the extent of rejecting the possibility that he has a kingdom, but that is ignoring the Scriptures.

The Bible says that "the whole world is under the control of the evil one" (**1 John 5:19**), and we must "be sober, and watch; for our adversary the devil, like a roaring lion, goes around looking for someone to devour." (**1 Peter 5:8**). Paul himself said that we had no struggle against blood and flesh, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of evil in the heavenly regions. (**Ephesians 6:12**) and that sounds like an organized government.

Jesus too, when questioned about his power to deliver people, said: *"Every kingdom divided against itself is devastated; and a house divided against itself, collapses. And if Satan too is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand?"* (Luke 11:18)

Ignoring that Satan has an organized government can be fatal, it is true that Jesus Christ overcame him on the cross of Calvary and we with Him are more than overcomers, but when we work in the midst of a generation like that of our day, we cannot ignore Satan's machinations. (**2 Corinthians 2:11**) if we do, we will not have the capacity to fully manifest the mighty Kingdom of God.

Christians have great hope, because Jesus Christ (**John 16:33**) and our faith in him (**1 John 5:4**) they have overcome Satan's wickedness. Greater is the one who is in us, than the one who is in the world (**1 John 4:4**) And that should be clear to us. Carelessness or bad teaching, however, can impede, as they have for years, the true advancement of the Kingdom.

In this book I try to delve into the great theme of the Kingdom of God and for this to analyze the existing spiritual kingdoms, their rulers, their citizens, their culture, etc. I intend to provide the spiritual keys to gain access to the Kingdom of God and its treasures, also warning of the damages caused by the expulsion of that Kingdom and the incursion into darkness.

I intend to examine the past, present, and future of this Kingdom, to explain the parables and emphasize its patterns and principles of life.

Why do I consider this book on Kingdom so important? Well, because for years I have been working communicating the need to return to the designs of the

Father, to the designs preached by the church of the first century. It is for this reason, too, that I desire to focus on teaching about the gospel of the Kingdom, until the last day of my life. Jesus said to His followers:

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all things. The world for witness to all races, and then the end will come."

Matthew 24:14

Before Jesus returns to manifest his Kingdom in its final form with absolute fullness, the gospel of the Kingdom must spread throughout the nations of the world, in the mouths of all his ministers. This must be the primary assignment that consumes us.

For which I consider key that all the children of the Kingdom can understand what the Kingdom means and how it works. Its magnitude and its actuality, because before the bearers of the good news can become guardians of the keys of the Kingdom, we must first experience that Kingdom in our own lives.

In the past, much emphasis was placed on the gospel of salvation, achieving eternal life through believing in Jesus Christ as Lord and savior and being delivered from eternal damnation to hell. This was the beginning and the end of faith. That generated a clear inclination to wait for the end, rather than to work in the present, because the only goals were in the afterlife.

To guard oneself from all contamination of the world, to know that treasures, riches, and desires were to be postponed to the afterlife, to await the coming of Christ, and to die were all gain. While to live was to resign oneself to the denial of all pleasure, all desire, and all worldly project, to live must become the sacrifice, a total self-denial and a resigned expectation of things to come. All that is fine, but only in part and part of a truth, can become the basis of a total lie, in fact in the culture of the Kingdom, a half truth is undoubtedly a total lie.

Of course verses have been found for all this and okay, the verses are, but they should be interpreted as all spiritual. Some of these things I mentioned are correct, but balance must be found through spiritual revelation that will allow us to live risk-free a life of blessing, victory, and power in the hereafter, but also here and in this present time.

This book is an invitation to that understanding, it is the result of many studies and much reflection. I beg you to read each page carefully without rejecting its content until you have a global idea of the teaching and then yes, with a true panorama, present before the Lord your heart for enlightenment.

***"For in you is the source of life;
in your light we see the light."***

Psalm 36:9

The kingdom of God is a spiritual reign in the hearts and lives of those who are willing to submit to God's authority. Those who challenge God's authority and refuse to submit to it are not part of God's kingdom; on the other hand, those who recognize the lordship of Christ and joyfully surrender to the reign of God in their hearts are part of this glorious Kingdom, so I hope you can taste this teaching with a receptive heart.

Some time ago, I was teaching a class at the School of Spiritual Government. I opened the topic to questions and a brother told me: "Pastor, I wanted to consult you on this subject of the kingdom, because my father has been a Christian for many years and he says, that we will enter the kingdom when we die, but that now we do not live kingdom" I know that many people have been taught in that way, therefore, I asked him: Is Jesus Christ the king of kings? Is God the king of glory? Does it already reign in our lives? Do we have a king who rules us? Are we kings and priests to God? Faced with these questions, the young man nodded. Then I said: If our God is king and queen in our hearts, we already live kingdom and if we live under the kingdom or government of God, our environments and families are affected by that kingdom. In the same way we could say about our neighborhood, city or territory. In other words, the world is not living kingdom, but the church is, otherwise it would not be the church.

If we were to say that we would begin to live the kingdom on the day of our death, it would be like saying that

God will rule us when we are dead, but not now... God free us from such an absurd opinion.

"Some Pharisees asked Jesus: When will God begin to reign here? Jesus answered: The kingdom of God is not something that can be seen. Nor can it be said: "Here it is!" or "There it is!" Because the kingdom of God is already among you."

Luke 17:20 and 21



Chapter One

Kingdoms on Earth

Jesus said to the religious leaders of His time:

***"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!
For you close the kingdom of heaven before men. For you
do not enter, nor do you let in.
to those who are entering"***

Matthew 23:13

It was this Gospel of the Kingdom that was the central purpose of Christ's life. He began His earthly ministry by declaring the coming of the Kingdom in Matthew 4:17. ***"From then on Jesus began to preach, and to say: Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."***

He concluded His earthly ministry by speaking of the things that belong to the Kingdom, in Acts 1:3 He says: ***"To whom also, after having suffered, he presented himself alive with many indubitable trials, appearing to them for forty days and speaking to them about the kingdom of God."***

Between the beginning and the end of His earthly ministry, the emphasis was on the preaching of the Kingdom: ***"But he said to them: It is necessary for me to proclaim the gospel of the kingdom of God to other cities as well, for this I have been sent"***
Luke 4:43

The Kingdom of God was Jesus' greatest concern. His teachings and parables focused on the Kingdom. His miracles were a demonstration of the Kingdom of God in action. The phrases "the Kingdom of God" and "the Kingdom of Heaven" were used about a hundred times in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

The Bible tells us that the first thing we should seek is the Kingdom and its righteousness: Matthew 6:33 ***"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."*** It teaches us how to enter the Kingdom and teaches us to live a Kingdom life, teaches us to pray for the Kingdom, preach the Kingdom, and manifest the Kingdom. In short, it teaches us a new way of life on earth and for all eternity.

The Bible teaches us to enter this Kingdom, to maintain residence, and to fulfill the commission to preach its truth to the world. It also teaches us to keep the necessary requirements, principles, and patterns of the Kingdom.

There are things that we cannot understand except with a spiritual mind and with a fervent desire to receive in this life all that God has for us. As well as in eternal life, receive the whole inheritance, as Peter says in his first letter in chapter one verse four *"An incorruptible, uncontaminated and immaculate inheritance, reserved in heaven for you"*

There is a greater purpose than understanding the principles of the Kingdom. You must go beyond the knowledge of the Kingdom to truly experience it and make it the central purpose of your life.

Generally we all seek at some time, the existential meaning of our lives. We all want a cause to live for and a sense to die for. That happens because within every human being is the information of the purpose for which we were created.

Consciously or unconsciously we desperately seek something that we don't really even know exactly what it is. We only feel an unbearable emptiness generated by the absence of God and a distressing feeling that there must be something more to life than breathing, working and obtaining things that in the end serve only to worry us.

By seeking to decipher that pattern imprinted in our DNA, human beings even fall into aberrant errors and horrors that further accentuate our disorientation. All this is a consequence of the fact that man was created to have

fellowship with God and to live the Kingdom of heaven on earth. Nothing can make up for that.

Spiritual practices, false beliefs, occultism, family affections, material goods, fame, financial success, are offered as the great oasis of life, but in the end, all of us who reach any of this, only discover that they are mirages. None of this is God.

When the true life called Jesus Christ comes to us, the Kingdom comes to us and it is then, only then, that we find purpose and destiny. Emptiness is gone, communion with the Holy Spirit gives us security and true peace, while working tirelessly in our hearts to mature us and bring us to the fullness of Christ.

The Kingdom cannot be removed by the forces of the enemy. It is an eternal cause to which we can give everything completely without being disappointed. We can surrender in spiritual obedience and become overcomers, whatever our natural situation. The Kingdom is extraordinary and eternal.

In the Kingdom someone can be a millionaire and live in a mansion or they can live in depopulated areas still lacking basic resources. You can succeed as a successful businessman or you can be confined to a prison. In the Kingdom you can be someone who ends his days surrounded by his grandchildren, in peace and with wealth or he can be burned at the stake or beheaded by some earthly authority. Still, every citizen of the Kingdom, every man and woman of

God, in the city or in the countryside, in the wilderness or on a glacier, will always and forever be more than overcomers for the one who loved us.

The Kingdoms on Earth:

First I want to clarify that the Kingdom of God, as Jesus said: "It is not of this world" is a spiritual Realm, yet I would like to mention the earthly realms for one reason only. That we can see how difficult it is to size or understand the kingdom, when we live in democracy, or when kingdom, for us, is what we read in a storybook, in a history book, or saw in some fanciful Hollywood movie.

In Europe today there are ten reigns, in Africa there are three, in Asia there are seven, in Oceania there are two, in the Middle East there are seven and in the entire American continent there is no system of monarchical government, although most nations were colonized by European monarchies.

Taking into account the need to understand a kingdom mentality, a kingdom culture and a kingdom life, we must observe and emphasize again, that in Latin America, there is no kingdom, nor historically we have a sustained kingdom culture, but the culture inherited from the colonies established in the European conquests that left us languages, customs, music and colors, but that did not leave us the teaching of what it means to live under a monarchy.

What we associate with the word kingdom is what we have read in a history book and that is not enough to understand a way of thinking and living. A kingdom is much more than a king sitting on a throne, a sequito of servants and an army willing to die for him. The lack of a true understanding of what a kingdom government is and means has made it very difficult for us to interpret Scripture to express the true life of a citizen of the kingdom of heaven on earth.

The Invisible Realms:

***"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached.
around the world for testimony
to all races, and then the end will come."***

Matthew 24:14

The natural world is what we can see, hear, touch, or taste, it is the visible world in which we live and is located around us, but there is another world that surrounds us continuously and of which we are part. It is an invisible world composed in turn of two spiritual realms, the realm of darkness and the realm of light.

I wish to repeat this concept, men exist in two worlds, the natural world and the spiritual world. The natural world is what we can touch, see, feel, hear, or taste. It is tangible and visible. The country, nation, city or town in which we live is part of that natural world. We are resident citizens of a natural territory located above the visible continents of the

world. We can see the people who are part of our environment, we can communicate with them. We can experience the tastes, sounds and smells of all things around us, this is the natural world and our body is designed to connect with it.

But there is another world we live in. It is the spiritual world, it is the dimension that we cannot touch with our physical senses, but that nevertheless, we know that it is there. We cannot see it with its natural eyes, but it is as real as the natural world, we cannot hear everything that happens in that dimension, but it has its sounds, the apostle Paul speaks of this natural and spiritual division:

"There are also heavenly bodies and earthly bodies. But of one kind is the glory of the heavenly; and on the other, that of the earthly"

1 Corinthians 15:40

All men have a natural body that lives in the natural world. But in receiving the life of Christ, we are also spiritual beings, with an eternal soul and spirit. The development of our spiritual life will sharpen the spiritual senses, so that as with the natural, we function by clearly perceiving our spiritual environment.

We are spirit, we have a soul, and we inhabit a body of flesh. Our spiritual being is part of the spiritual dimension, just as our natural body is part of the natural world.

I must clarify that we are integral beings and that if somehow, in order to learn I separate the spirit, the soul and the body, it is only so that we can understand how to function in the kingdom life. On the other hand by mentioning that the spiritual world cannot be touched, tasted, heard or seen, I am not saying that it is impossible, I am only saying that the natural man cannot perceive any of this, although in the advance of this study we will see how the spiritual man not only has access to these things, but they must be part of their lives in a daily and habitual way.

There are natural realms of this world. A natural kingdom is a territory or people over whom a king rules. The Bible speaks of the kingdoms of the world. The kingdoms of the world are presently under Satan's control:

***"Again the devil took him to a very high mountain,
and he showed him all the kingdoms of the world and
their glory.***

***And he said to him: All this I will give you, if prostrate you
worship me"***

Matthew 4:8 and 9

In the future, all the kingdoms of the world will turn to the kingdom of God and He will rule over all Of His creation:

***"The seventh angel sounded the trumpet.
And in heaven great voices were heard.
who said: "The kingdom of the world has come
to be of our Lord and of his Christ.***

He will reign forever and ever."

Revelation 11:15

In the natural world a king is the sovereign ruler of the kingdom. All the territory and people of the kingdom belong to him. He has the power of life and death over his subordinates. The spiritual world is composed of two spiritual realms, the kingdom of Satan and the kingdom of God. Satan's kingdom consists of spiritual beings such as fallen angels, principalities, powers, rulers of darkness, spiritual hosts of evil in the celestial regions, that is, demons of different ranks and authority who exercise their functions in that dimension.

We can also say that they are part of the kingdom of darkness, all those who practice occultism, Satanism, different magics, witchcraft, sorcery, etc. Thus are also captives of this kingdom all men and women who live in sin and rebellion to the will of God, both practicing a pagan religion, and those who do not engage in anything they consider spiritual, since they do not want it are part of the spiritual dimension.

The kingdom of God consists of God the Father, who is the King of glory, the righteous and powerful judge, in his son Jesus Christ, who is the King of kings and Lord of lords, and in the Holy Spirit, who is our ruler on earth. They make up what we call the Divine Trinity, since they are three but they are one and the same. In addition, the spiritual beings who are under His lordship actively participate in His

kingdom, such as: cherubim, seraphim, archangels, angels and all men who live in just obedience to His Word. Each of us has gifts and talents in the service of our King.

The kingdom of God is everywhere, because God is Sovereign, Omnipresent, and Almighty. The kingdom of heaven is the realm of creation called heaven and there, God's government is absolute and will be forever. On one occasion a cherub named Lucifer revealed himself and was expelled from that realm, along with a third of the angels who also revealed themselves.

Scripture mentions the kingdom of God, under different concepts, for example: The Father's Kingdom (**Matthew 26:29**), of Jesus (**Revelation 1:9**), of Christ Jesus (**2 Timothy 4:1**), of Christ and God (**Ephesians 5:5**), of our Lord and His Christ (**Revelation 11:15**), of our God and of His Christ (**Revelation 12:10**), and of the Son of His love (**Colossians 1:13**). All these concepts are the description of the same kingdom.

The Kingdom of God is not a religious denomination, denominations are man-made organizations to unite and administer groups of congregations that are part of the Lord's Church. They have been established for the practical purposes of organizing and administering. The denominations existing today are many, but they emerged from the Protestant Reformation. The "Reformation" movement of the Roman Catholic Church during the sixteenth century gave rise to the four major divisions or

traditions of Protestantism: Lutheran, Reformed, Anabaptist, and Anglican. Over the centuries, from these four branches, many other denominations emerged, until they multiplied in an almost exaggerated way.

The Bible speaks of the true Church and never does so in a sense of denomination or religious organization. The true Church is composed of all those who, accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of their lives from the heart, received the new birth and became citizens of the kingdom of God. The true Church is the spiritual body that God established and through which the gospel of the kingdom is being preached to the nations of the world.

The Church must not only preach and teach the gospel of the kingdom, but it must also provide a model of life. The church must operate by the patterns and principles of the kingdom, and must demonstrate in its lifestyle the teachings of its King, Jesus Christ.

The kingdom of God has always existed, exists in the present, and will exist in the future differently. The Lord established it in Adam, Satan raptured it in Eden, Christ established it at His coming, and the church must manifest it to the ends of the earth, in the hope of His second coming.

Today the kingdom of God is manifested by the church through each believer, it does so individually, within each child of God, and it does so jointly through the revealed body of Christ. In the future, there will be a visible and real

revelation of the kingdom of God and the earth will be completely filled with the glory and majesty of the King.

Understanding this can become a whole process, so the revelation provided by the Holy Spirit is key, because the kingdom of God is a spiritual kingdom and not a natural kingdom of this world, it must be understood with a spiritual mind:

"But the natural man does not accept things that are of the Spirit of God, for they are madness to him; and he cannot comprehend them, for they are to be discerned spiritually."

1 Corinthians 2:14

There is another sense in which the kingdom of God is used in Scripture and it is like the literal reign of Christ on earth during the millennium. Daniel said that the God of heaven will raise up a kingdom that will never be destroyed. (**Daniel 2:44; 7:13 and 14**), and many other prophets predicted the same. (**Obadiah 1:21; Habakkuk 2:14; Micah 4:2; Zechariah 14:9**). Some theologians refer to the future, to the open manifestation of the kingdom of God as the kingdom of glory, and in the present, the hidden manifestation of the kingdom of God as the kingdom of grace. But in the end, both manifestations are connected; Christ has established His spiritual reign in the church, and one day He will establish His physical reign throughout the earth.

The lord is the sovereign of the universe, and therefore in that sense his kingdom is universal. **(1 Timothy 6:15)**. At the same time, the kingdom of God involves repentance and the new birth, to the extent that God reigns in our hearts in this world and that is what we must develop.

"Whoever overcomes and keeps my works to the end, I will give him authority over the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron, and they shall be broken like a potter's vessel."
Revelation 2:26 and 27



Chapter Two

Religion or kingdom

*"For the kingdom of God is neither food nor drink,
but justice, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit."*

Romans 14:17

The word Kingdom is the word "**Basel**" which means government, dominion. The kingdom of heaven is then the Divine government. Many think that the gospel is just another religion that establishes a series of prohibitions and rules to follow. That it is something, trying to prevent the human being from enjoying life. But everyone is wrong, because the gospel of the kingdom offers what man so much seeks in the world and cannot achieve by himself: justice, peace, and joy.

First of all, what the gospel offers us is righteousness. The righteousness of which Paul speaks here is the work of justification that God performs in man in order to declare him righteous and deliver him from eternal damnation.

People seek to placate their consciences by doing good deeds, in some cases, they strive to practice some religion to feel better. In other cases they keep penances for their injustices, or seek to acquire with their money objects that they believe will help them obtain extra energy or gain the supernatural favor of some deity.

Actually, they are not looking for God, no one does, says Romans three, verse eleven, which: ***"There is no one who understands, that there is no one who seeks God, not even one"***. What people do is seek harmony with life, fill the inner void, feel safe, contained, helped and that is why they perform all kinds of practices to achieve it.

There is in people an intrinsic desire to feel a little righteous, in a life that is riddled with injustices. Good works seem to mitigate that, yet only the gospel of the kingdom can offer through Jesus Christ the righteousness that man so much seeks and needs.

"For all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by his grace, through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus, whom God placed as propitiation through faith in his blood, to manifest his righteousness, because of having overlooked, in his patience, past sins."

Romans 3:23-25

That is why the gospel is good news because it announces to all sinners that we have hope, for through faith

in Christ, we can become saved. Of course, grace is so wonderful that it is difficult for man to understand it.

People get used to fighting to achieve things, they get a ten, the one who manages to study, the one who has worked hard enough, the one who has trained and developed his abilities wins a career, but grace is the opposite. Grace is the undeserved favor of a wonderful God who did what we could not do and who gives us, what we did not deserve, nor could we ever achieve.

The righteousness that the kingdom bestows upon us is not righteousness earned by works, but received by faith in him who did all good. In the kingdom everything is for Christ, everything is by grace and that does not easily placate a conscience accustomed to deserve. The kingdom works by faith and not by works.

*"And the vileness of the world and the despised chose
God,
and what is not, to undo what is,
so that no one boasts in his presence.
But through him you are in Christ Jesus, who has been
made for us by God wisdom, justification, sanctification
and redemption; so that, as it is written:
He who boasts, glory in the Lord."
1 Corinthians 1:28-31*

Secondly, the gospel offers us peace. Peace is something that all people seek. If there is something that

people want is to live in tranquility, without excessive worries and as comfortably as possible. However, that produces great frustration, because in this world today, it is impossible to achieve that easily.

Governments strive to keep the peace, but wars, crime and social insecurity are growing by leaps and bounds. The very wickedness of man makes impossible the peace that he himself claims to want. Entire families suffer the scourge of violence, intolerance and abuse.

The elderly suffer the violence of neglect, helplessness and scarcity. Marriages suffer from the labor and economic violence that separates, breaks them and wears them down. Young people suffer the violence of insecurity, uncertainty and fear. Children suffer the violence of outsourced parenting and technological overstimulation.

Some think that peace is found in economic security, but they are also wrong, having a lot of money is not bad, but the rich testify to their lack of peace in fear of losing everything. Of course if someone were to ask me, I prefer to have abundance and not scarcity, however, we see that a rich man has a better quality life, but he has no more inner peace than a poor.

Peace is not what a couple gets under a palm tree in Punta Cana. That may be stillness and enjoyment, but hearts in many cases, are tormented. Peace is not what a mother who can rest a little enjoys, because the boys went with the uncles

to the park. Inner peace is that which surpasses all understanding and that peace can only be granted by Jesus Christ.

It doesn't matter how much man does to obtain inner peace. Without God, their ways will only lead them to suffering and failure, because the Bible says that: ***"There is a path that seems right to man; but its end is the way of death"*** (Proverbs 14:12). However, the gospel of the kingdom offers us through Jesus to experience true peace:

***"Peace I leave to you, my peace I give you;
I do not give it to you as the world gives it.
Let not your heart be troubled, nor be afraid."***
John 14:27

This peace that Christ brings to our lives does not depend on our possibilities or mental strength, as is believed in the world, but on what He already did for us on the cross of Calvary:

***"These things I have spoken to you, that in me you may
have peace.
In the world you will have affliction; but trust,
I have overcome the world."***
John 16:33

Our peace is based on our trust in Jesus Christ, something that the world can never offer us, and so we say

that only in the gospel of the kingdom do we experience true peace.

Finally, the gospel offers us joy. The human being seeks to brighten his life in the pleasures and entertainments that this world offers, but this causes deep abysses, because the artificial joy of parties and pleasures, disappear quickly. The euphoria of an enjoyment and the absence of them, produces a roller coaster of feelings, which are very difficult to assimilate.

To believe that in the world we will find joy and permanent happiness is a great mistake, because it will never fill our soul with satisfaction. The world only offers us an artificial and false joy and that only leads us to permanent disappointment, that is why we see the rich and famous fall into addictions or great depressions.

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it in abundance"

John 10:10

The life that Christ offers us is one of great satisfaction and true communion with the Father, far from the consequences of sin and the anguish of the soul. This is the joy of the Christian, in knowing that his sins have been forgiven and in experiencing a full life. Not necessarily because we reach a lot of riches or because all our problems are simply solved.

There is a great deal of confusion with this. People go to witches, healers or practice some religion, they also look for someone to solve their problems and some approach the church with the same intention, but nothing is further from the truth than that. First, if they approach without God at work, they already start badly and second if they think that God is simply like the magician of Aladdin's lamp, they will become disillusioned.

Our God is a God of miracles, He can heal diseases, free captives or reverse any negative situation, yet those are just the crumbs of bread God has for His children. If someone receives any of this, he may be pleased, but even so, he has only touched the realm, he has not entered it.

Jesus answered and said to him: Truly, truly, I tell you, than he who is not born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Nicodemus said to him: How can a man be born? being old? Can you enter for the second time? once in his mother's womb, and be born?

Jesus answered: Truly, truly, I tell you, that he who is not born of water and of the Spirit, it cannot enter the kingdom of God.

John 3:3-5

Nicodemus was a teacher of the law, a religious who wanted to figure out how to understand the kingdom. Jesus makes it clear to him that this cannot be generated by man,

but comes from God. Religions are human designs to try to achieve Divine favor, they are like the tower of Babel, they are ascending efforts, but the kingdom works backwards, born in grace and comes to men.

To be born cannot be produced by the desire of the child, but by the action of the parents. The kingdom is entered by the grace of the Father who chose us to give us life in Christ Jesus.

***"God chose us in Christ from before the creation of the world, to be in his presence holy and without fail.
For his love"***

Ephesians 1:4 DHH

The Christian life does not imply not having problems, but implies having a spiritual life in communion with God. It involves His sovereign intervention to heal, liberate or restore, but above all, to govern our lives and every situation. Religions don't have this, just the kingdom.

On the other hand, the spirit of religion does not allow to judge correctly and when there is no justice there is no peace and if there is no peace, it is impossible for true joy to manifest. Religion will never be able to bestow that, only the kingdom does.

The Lord came to establish a Kingdom, not a religion and the great problem of men is that we do not allow ourselves to be ruled by God. Religion is governed by men,

who propose doctrines and then seek Divine favor. The kingdom begins the other way around, we may find God's favor, but we meet a sovereign king.

The earth is as it is, by a man who governs himself and this is not solved with a miracle of healing, this can only change, if we turn our hearts to God and let ourselves be ruled by Him. And then yes, once he governs us, we will have the ability to govern ourselves everyday situations of life, because for that he proclaims us kings and priests.

The religious of Jesus' day believed that they saw and understood god's will, yet they were just that, religious. In Luke 6:37-42 the Lord asks them: ***Can a blind man lead another blind man?*** And in John 9:41 Jesus said to them, ***If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now, because you say: See, your sin remains.***

Religion cannot provide justice, neither before God nor before one's neighbor, it cannot provide peace, much less true joy. Only the design of the kingdom can change the hearts of men and consequently, it can change the realms of this world. I pray that God, by his grace, will enlighten the hearts of this lost humanity, just as He did with me.

The blind cannot guide others, let alone judge correctly. The blind are the figure of those who remain in darkness and for that reason, they cannot rule. Jesus said:

"Do not judge according to appearances,

but judge with just judgment''

John 7:24

We as citizens of the kingdom must judge, but first of all, we must have a right attitude toward our own sins. Many misuse this text to condemn all forms of judgment; they say that we should never criticize or judge others, but this text does not teach such a thing, on the contrary, it speaks to us of exercising authority of judgment, correctly.

Religion according to the dictionary of the Royal Spanish Academy, is a system of human activity composed of beliefs and practices about what is considered as divine or sacred, both personal and collective, existential, moral and spiritual.

The word religion comes from Latin *religare* or *relegate*. The word religion has been and is a matter of controversy among specialists.

The first interpretation related to worship is that of the Greek thinker called Cicero which offers the following etymology: "Those who are interested in all things related to worship, take them up carefully and as if they reread them, they are called religious from the rereading."

The other etymology proposed by Lactantius derives the word religion from the Latin verb *religare* stating the following: "Bound by a bond of piety to God, we are reconnected, from which the very term religion has its origin."

As we can see, the etymology of the word religion, in reality is somewhat uncertain, one thinker proposes that it arises from rereading and the other from ligation, in short and without fear of errors, none of this is what God proposed with the coming of Christ. In fact, the word religion is only mentioned five times in the new covenant, three times in the book of Acts and twice in the same passage in the letter of the apostle James.

The first time Paul mentions it to the people of Athens, who worshipped many gods.

***"Then Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said:
Athenian men, in everything I observe that you are very
religious"
Acts 17:22***

The second time was the Pharisees' complaint about Paul's supposed religion.

***"But they had against him certain questions about their
religion, and about a certain Jesus, already dead, whom
Paul claimed to be alive."
Acts 25:19***

The third time Paul himself mentions it before King Agrippa:

"My life, then, from my youth, which I spent from the beginning in my nation, in Jerusalem, is known to all the Jews; who also know that I from the beginning, if they want to testify to it, according to the most rigorous sect of our religion, lived Pharisee."

Acts 26:4 and 5

As we can see, all these mentions about religion have nothing to do with God's plan, but what happens when James speaks of religion in his letter? Let's look at this passage according to the simple language version in its very clear expression:

"If you put all your attention on the Word of God, and obey it always, you will be happy in everything you do. Because God's Word is perfect and frees you from sin. If someone believes himself to be very religious and does not take care of his words, he deceives himself and is of no use to him so much religiosity. To believe in God the Father is to please Him and do good, to help widows and orphans when they suffer, and not to be overcome by the wickedness of the world."

James 1:22-27

In this passage James expresses the importance of putting the Word into action, of not only being hearers, but also doers of the Word and is setting as an example the religious, who know the Word, who claim to believe, who believe themselves to be holy and yet do not do what they should with their neighbor.

The kingdom is love, religion is just hypocrisy. God did not come to establish a new religion that competes with paganism, He came to establish His kingdom, so that at the end of it all, the earth will be filled with His Glory.

"Bless, my soul, jehovah.

*My Lord God, you have greatly enlarged;
You have clothed yourself in glory and magnificence.*

*He who is covered with light as with garment,
That stretches the heavens like a curtain,
Who establishes his chambers among the waters,*

*He who puts the clouds by his chariot,
He who walks on the wings of the wind;
He who makes the winds his messengers,
And to the flames of fire his ministers.*

*He founded the earth on its foundations;
It will never be removed..."*

Psalm 104:1-5



Chapter Three

The Gospel of the Kingdom

There is so much talk about the kingdom today and sometimes, with such ignorance, that it really scares. We need to regain balance with respect to the kingdom, between what has been lived, what we live and what will be lived with respect to the kingdom.

I want to explain clearly what the kingdom is not and what we should preach, in my opinion and for that reason I would like to share with you a chapter of my book entitled "Recovering the spiritual balance" because in this chapter called How is that of the Kingdom? I clearly explain my point of view and analyze the need to recover the balance of understanding on this controversial issue of the kingdom.

I confess that I had written much of this topic and I remembered the chapter in which I already explain it clearly, so I made a thorough rereading of it and it seemed appropriate to share it below and under the title "The gospel of the kingdom".

Some time ago a pastor of a renowned denomination called me and asked me for a few dates to tell his congregation about the kingdom and said: "How is that about the kingdom?.. We never preach kingdom, but now I listen to it and I think there is something in all that, I would like you to talk to us and be able to understand it"... It was an honor for me, to be able to talk for a few days about kingdom in his congregation, this pastor certainly had the humility to put things this way, but I also believe that this situation denounces a real delay to God's purpose for our generation, since the kingdom is as old as humanity itself.

I don't believe that the kingdom is a new teaching, but I believe that it is the original plan for planet earth. The apostolic did not bring new foundations, because if it had been so, everything built up would have had to be demolished, but it is not so, the apostolic brought the recovery of some fundamental truths that were lost from the Apostolic Fathers to our days and because of the processes that the Church lived, from the first centuries to today, going through obscurantism and periods of deep ostracism and religiosity. The prophetic brought direction to advance the designs recovered in this time of reform and through these designs we have re-understood the fundamental importance of the kingdom.

The problem once again is the extremes and misunderstandings, it is the spirits that operate and the false ministers who take advantage of the recovery of a truth to deceive, to cause confusion and achieve with this that many

retreat or reject the true and balanced message of the kingdom.

When a truth is recovered or revealed at a certain time, it seems like a novelty, but that is not innocent, in the dimension of the Spirit there are no fashions or novelties, but revelations with purpose. In my book "The Codes of the Kingdom," I teach this very important truth at length.

Novelties become fashions, changes that seem avant-garde, but that is very harmful and dangerous. A revelation generates a profound and true change to produce a reform, on the contrary, a novelty only produces a superficial, cosmetic and fragile change. Of course, the masks fall off and there is nothing worse than changing the façade without changing the background of an issue. Let's imagine that a molten and rotten car, we put it in sheet metal and paint, we leave it beautiful and presentable for sale, imagine that someone believes that car is what you see and buy it. How long he thinks it will take to realize that it's all a hoax, that it looked like a good car, but it was just a fiasco. So too, there is nothing worse than the one who claims to embrace a new way of thinking, but does not change to a new way of living, it is only like the one who embraces a novel language, but not an inner truth.

That a person learns to speak in Mandarin, does not mean that he has understood or that he can feel the culture and feeling of the Chinese, that is not achieved by knowing a language, that can be felt by moving to China and living a

few years with them, to understand how they think, how they feel, how they live their reality, so yes, someone can come and tell us how the Chinese are and feel part of their story, because for him it is no longer a theory, but an experience that changed him inside and forever. Such is the kingdom, when someone says that he has already understood it, he is still buying the ticket. And okay, the problem is to rush the processes, no one is penetrated by a culture looking at a postcard or doing a shopping tour, that takes time, the kingdom too.

When someone who did not inhabit, but visited a concept, begins to teach about a subject not explored in depth, he enters a zone of risk and error, because the message of the kingdom never left the Church, but was diverted from its axis so that there is discredit in this regard. In recent centuries there were several attempts to recover some concepts about the kingdom, but without true revelation it was always diluted and in good time that happened, because in the small crack of a wall, the collapse that tomorrow causes a tragedy with deaths and pain may be hidden. That is why I believe that today we have a new opportunity and we must take advantage of it carefully and without cracks.

On the other hand I must be honest, that some cracks are already occurring, because globalization in communications makes the task easier for the unclean spirits of diffusion and confusion about the people of God. Today people are hungry to hear and when there is no maturity you hear anything and almost no one dies for not discerning a

small drop of poison, but if another drop and another and another is not detected, we will soon be at the wake.

I believe that there are many ministers of the Word who with all the right in the world use social networks to spread their messages, but the problem is that some should be called to silence until the things they communicate, are not the echo of concepts heard and repeated, but first go through the process of revelation, purification and consolidation of eternal truths and that is only the work that the Holy Spirit can produce. You can't hear something today and repeat it tomorrow without having processed it, because we'll be trusting or assuming that if it was said, or if so-and-so said, that's okay and that's very dangerous and deadly, in some cases.

The kingdom is not a new doctrine, it is the recovery of eternal truths, but it is not the domain of everything as some preach, that is what was once called Dominionism. This term is used to describe the philosophy of politically active conservative Christians who are believed to seek to exert influence or control over secular civil government through political action and whose goal is the establishment of nations ruled by Christians, or nations governed by a conservative Christian understanding of biblical law. That is simply a mistake and we must be careful, because behind this concept operates an unclean spirit. That was the mistake Israel made, thinking that the Messiah would be a revolutionary who would take up the sword and conquer Rome to liberate the people and reign sitting in David's

armchair. That didn't happen with Christ and it won't happen with the Church, not that way.

In the same stream of thought as Dominionism, there are those who propose Postmillennialism, that is, the dominion of the church and a millennium without Christ. This doctrine is an interpretation of chapter 20 of the book of Revelation that sees the second coming of Christ occurring after (Latin – post) the "Millennium," which will allow for a Golden Age or an era of Christian prosperity and dominion. Those who hold this conception believe that this world will improve, more and more, with the whole world "Christianized" finally. They maintain that, after this "improvement," Christ will return.

Another dangerous and extreme current of thought is the theology of the Reconstructionists, who believe in the advancement of the Kingdom through politics and even military conquest. It is the same current of thought as Dominionism, but Christian reconstructionism, also known as theonomy, is a rather controversial movement within some conservative Christian circles. They maintain that the Word must be "rebuilt" in all areas, by the lordship of Jesus Christ: socially, morally, politically, judicially, militarily, as well as in the family, education, music, etc. This doctrine supports the restoration of the civil and moral laws of the Old Testament in order to rebuild present-day society in an Old Testament-like Mosaic form; they even raise a debate about the re-institution of slavery.

Another doctrine currently operating is the "theology of impersonation" or "substitution theory," called Suprecessionism. This dogma implies a partial interpretation of the New Testament, whose argument is that God's present relationship with Christians totally replaces the relationship he previously had with the Jews. They consider the Church to be the Israel of God, thus nullifying all the eternal promises that the Lord made to Israel and that He confirms in the New Covenant.

Beloved, the kingdom is not God's project to govern the system of the world and from what we see many go around, and if we say kingdom, they think that we should reign sitting in the presidential armchairs, some preach that if we are kings we must conquer the world, that if we penetrate the system correctly we will change politics and govern transforming everything by the power of the kingdom, so that when the King of Glory comes, the world may be a perfect paradise. The idea is good, the penetration of systems is correct, in fact it is what I teach, but that we will govern everything before Christ comes is not what the Bible announces. There are things that will get worse for the Church, and if we don't prepare, beware! there is nothing worse than preparing to be world champions and ending up kissing the canvas in the first rounds. To be a good champion you have to be prepared to suffer hostile environments and spiritual confrontation.

You must probably be thinking that what I say is unpopular. I'm sorry if you had another expectation, but

that's what I believe. God from the beginning wanted man to rule in His Name; surely we know that the earth and its fullness belong to the Almighty and not to the devil and we also know that Adam lost all this and that Christ redeemed him. But we must be aware that this redemption was not for man to rule, but for God to rule man, no longer by means of a written law, but operating from his heart.

To say that the kingdom is not yet there or will be established when Christ comes is like saying that Christ does not reign our lives. But if He reigns our lives, the kingdom is already among us. The mystery is that Christ does not reign the world, but governs our hearts and from our hearts. Sure, I understand that it may sound somewhat loud what I express, but if Christ reigns the whole world today, and we are as we are, something is failing his reign. In reality, nothing fails Him, He reigns His Church and Will reign all the earth and we will see the fullness of His government, but for that the Church must move forward, because there is a task that was assigned to us.

***And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached
throughout the world, for the testimony of all nations;
and then the end will come.***

Matthew 24:14 V.R.V.

From this concept, where the Lord reigns our lives and as long as we are led by His government, the kingdom will expand through our lives into every sphere of influence, that is to preach the gospel of the kingdom.

But of course, the kingdom suffers violence and will continue to suffer it, because those of us who accept God's government will be attacked by the system and spiritually violated, even in many places we will suffer persecution and death.

When we achieve greater communion with the Spirit and with the Body, the greater our advancement will be; however, Scripture warns that there are things that will get worse. Even so, we have the King's command to resist and keep moving forward until He comes, and then the kingdom will be manifested with all power and fullness. That is why today more than ever we must desire, yearn and cry out for Christ to come and end so much corruption and darkness.

The traditional Church has taught to be afraid of the coming of Christ, that is absurd and perverse; if we are the Bride of the Lamb, we should look forward to him with celebration and jubilation, he is supposed to be the beloved and we want him to come. Those of us who are living kingdom and moving forward despite any opposition; we are expectant and passionate about his coming, not to flee, but to see the fullness of his government manifested.

The kingdom does change our lives, our environment, our businesses, our creative capacity, our economy, our bishopric zone, but God is not seeking to conquer all the diabolical systems of this world. There are things that at His coming will not be redeemed, but destroyed. The devil will

remain the devil in the lake of fire and darkness will never be light.

On the other hand, we were born again and have the daily task of illuminating and bringing to the cross every hint of darkness that may arise in our lives. When we advance in something, the darkness recedes and in the realm in which we are we shine, but when the Sun of justice rises all opposition will end and even the smallest shadows will disappear.

I believe and preach that there must be Christians in all strata of society, but that does not imply the redemption of all strata. In some places, we should only enter temporarily like Paul appealing to Caesar on his journey to Rome. There is purpose for every movement within this society, we are the salt that can change a territory, but rest assured! that the Kingdom is not that we will conquer everything and end up sitting in the chairs of power, full of money, owners of everything and taking a coconut in the Caribbean. that's very dangerous! Because the one who makes the bags to go to the Caribbean, can not assume a cell in a cold prison, that would kill him, we must be vaccinated against adversity.

Sometimes we will take a plane to the Caribbean; sometimes we will receive transfer of resources for the advancement of the kingdom and of course we will eat of the good of the earth; but sometimes, we will also have to face the pain, if the kingdom demands it.

The kingdom is from the beginning, it is the dominion of God, it is millennium, it is Christ reigning for two thousand years in the heavenly places; it is Christ reigning today in our hearts through the Holy Spirit; it is power through the Holy Spirit; it is the heir Church that seeks to extend its dominions every day; it is military conquest over the territories, but in the spiritual dimension and with spiritual weapons. The kingdom is spiritual government and not the conquest of corrupt governments by which the world is ruled, we will not end up ruling the world with evangelical presidents, although there must be, in fact we already enjoy the management of some Christian presidents, but only the King in his coming will end up overthrowing all diabolical and human government.

Believing ourselves to be the demigods of the planet can end up bringing us down. We are children of God, we have His nature in our spirit, but we are still mud and we manifest the treasure from that imperfect vessel. We must penetrate all systems into the anointing of the Spirit despite confrontations, knowing that we are strong in Him, but weak in our carnal nature, we are capable and we can do everything in Him, but we must not ignore our worst enemy, ourselves and our old nature.

*"Pretend Kingdom
with a Gospel without a Cross,
it is the utopia of slaves,
because freedom and the Throne
they only come after the Cross."*

When Paul writes to the Corinthian Church, where false apostles had entered during his ministry (**2 Corinthians 11:13-15**) He exhorts them for their selfishness, self-sufficiency, carnality and naivety:

*"You are already satiated, you are already rich, without us
you reign"*

*And I wish you would reign, so that we might also reign
with you!*

1 Corinthians 4:8

The Corinthians believed and acted as if they were already reigning in full. This produced in them a weakness and severe spiritual blindness for setting their gaze on the earthly. They thought they already reigned in their present and wanted to live as kings! But Paul knew that they had to face various trials now with Christ reigning in their hearts, to reign with all fullness when He returned. (**Acts 14:22**).

The apostle is upset that they had chosen a different path than the one he had instructed them. While Paul suffered Christ's vituperation and persecutions, the Corinthians were caring more about their personal desires than the Divine purpose.

Paul writes: *And I wish you would reign, so that we might also reign with you!* If they had really reigned with all fullness, it would be because Christ would have already come, so Paul adds: *"We would be reigning with you"*. But that wasn't happening, any more than it's happening today. I

know it sounds ugly, but if you read the newspapers or watch the news you will know that darkness is covering the earth and darkness is upon the nations, but you will also know from Scripture, that upon the Church the Lord will dawn and upon the Church his glory will be seen. **(Isaiah 60:1-3)** Let us hope, let us continue to advance against all odds and let us wait for the King to come soon, so that the fullness of the kingdom may fill this planet with light, to the ends of the earth.

The Corinthians thought they reigned, but they had only lost their balance, as can happen today, the kingdom is there because Christ is the one who reigns our hearts and through us, everything we can manifest, by faith and from full communion, that is kingdom... There are conquests, there is progress, there is manifestation, there are recovered territories, there are kingdom businesses and enterprises, there is kingdom culture and kingdom justice in the Church, but the world will see and know that with all fullness in the coming of the King.

The same happened with the Church of Laodicea, the last of the seven that the Lord exhorts in the book of Revelation, which is also a sign of the last stage of the church on earth. The Lord rebukes them saying: *"For you say: I am rich, and I have become rich, and I have no need of anything; and you do not know that you are hapless, miserable, poor, blind and naked."* The following words of Jesus are forceful to his state: *"Be therefore jealous and repent"* (Revelation 3:14-22)

The characteristic of apostates is that they only think about the things of the earth. Thus Paul tells us: *"For there are many out there, of whom I have told you many times, and even now I say it in tears, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ; the end of which will be perdition, whose god is the womb, and whose glory is their shame; who only think about the earthly. But our citizenship is in heaven, from where we also await the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ."* (Philippians 3:17-20)

Something similar happened during our Lord's ministry. **John 6:14** Says: *"Those men then, seeing the sign that Jesus had made, said: This truly is the prophet who was to come into the world."* They meant the prophesied and promised Messiah for example in **Deuteronomy 18:15**. *The king is here!*

However, as the following verse tells us: *"But when Jesus understood that they were going to come to seize him and make him king, he retreated back to the mountain alone."* They had in mind a human and earthly realm just as those who fall into spiritual imbalance have today. If He could produce enough bread and fish to feed twenty thousand people. (**vv.1-13**), could well give the Romans what they deserved, kick them out, and deliver Israel. They never thought of Jesus other than as the earthly king who would give them earthly freedom and the vengeance they wanted.

They had no interest in "*Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done.*" Rather they were saying "Our kingdom come, our will be done" but the Lord Jesus had other plans, He would not use political and military power against the Romans. He wanted those to recognize Him as the Savior of sin and true righteousness, He wanted His people to be cleansed and in full communion of grace, to be governed by His Spirit. But they wanted to force him to follow the earthly agenda that they had, they wanted to rule, but not to be governed and that is a spiritual imbalance.

Like those who sought Jesus to make him king literally and benefit from his Kingdom, today some are presenting "Another Jesus," a Jesus who attracts selfish people, who only want to satisfy their personal cravings and desires, who seek purposeless riches and success to live better, conquer territories, and live as kings, but they don't want a cross, they want a government. They are not offering to bear the cost of suffering with Christ if necessary and that is a dangerous imbalance.

Many of those who proclaim the Kingdom today are not really concerned with extending the kingdom of God or the glory of His name, but are simply seeking the aggrandizement of their own empire and the fulfillment of their own selfish desires. Jesus said: "*My kingdom is not of this world.*" (John 18:36) Until we understand this and what it means to be children, heirs, and ambassadors, we will not have the ability and strength to truly manifest, from the spirit, the kingdom of God on earth.



Chapter Four

The Preaching of the Kingdom

*"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached,
throughout the world for witness to all races,
and then the end will come."*

Matthew 24:14

To preach the gospel of the kingdom is to proclaim that the kingdom of God is already established among his saints and that we must manifest it despite our weaknesses and limitations, until we reach the maximum expression of the kingdom in the glorious physical coming of the Lord.

The preaching of the gospel of the kingdom before every tongue and nation seeks to reach the hearts of the elect, until among all the Gentiles and then Israel, it will be restored as the original olive tree.

*"For I do not want you, brethren, to ignore this mystery,
lest you be arrogant about yourselves: that hardening has
befallen Israel in part, until the fullness of the Gentiles
has entered;*

and then all Israel will be saved..."

Romans 11:25 and 26

Preaching is the proclamation of this fact, to interpret under this revelation, the past, present and future of humanity. This expressed truth involves the operation of the Holy Spirit, producing a specific response in the saints: Genuine repentance, supernatural faith, and the ongoing pursuit of true justice. In other words, a kingdom life through which God can manifest Himself.

Thanks to the work of historians, we can be sure that Jesus not only proclaimed the kingdom as His fundamental mission of life. (**Luke 4:43**), but by the kingdom He meant what anyone who belonged to His Jewish heritage could understand, the total restoration of Israel, and what the Jews rightly did not understand: the kingdom of God, over all creation.

This will be done perfectly, and it will be fully established here on earth. Such a vision of a divine world empire had, in fact, been the vision of all the prophets of Israel. Jesus only confirmed His Message, amplified it, and did so the matter of His urgent call to repentance in view of the great event that had begun with His birth and would expand in His death and resurrection.

***"From then on Jesus began to preach, and to say:
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come."***

Matthew 4:17

Jesus clearly said that the whole world was under the influence of Satan and also said that His kingdom was not of this world. (**John 18:36**), but he also claimed to carry God's rule over His life and through the cross, opened the opportunity for a new life for men, a life that allows us to be ruled by God, from our hearts. (**Jeremiah 31:33**) to manifest like Him, the kingdom of God, until His glorious coming.

It is a matter of simple honesty that Christians embrace the message that Jesus, and the apostles after Him, proclaimed. But what does the Bible say in the old covenant about the kingdom?

If we go back to Adam, we see the kingdom clearly established. God orders the earth, forms man, blesses him, and commissions him to fill the earth, lord and subdue it completely. (**Genesis 1:27 and 28**). God sets his limits on man and commands him not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (**Genesis 2:17**). The garden was the realm of Divine government, abundance was a consequence of His rule and plans for its creation were extraordinary, yet sin brought rule of darkness, chaos, wickedness, and death.

Since then, very few men have accepted to be ruled by God, even being called heroes of the faith.

For Abraham's descendants, the idea of God as king does not appear at the beginning of their history.. The God who revealed Himself first to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and then to Moses, does not have the characteristics of a king. This image only became present when God brought them out of Egypt and began to form in them an idea of a holy nation, a special people, under Divine rule.

The Hebrews had a hard time understanding this. They understood the tyrannical government of Egypt, but they did not understand what it meant to be free, to live under God's rule, and consequently to rule a land of plenty that they were to conquer.

After a generational change, they settled in Canaan, and constituted themselves as a people with their own territory, the longed-for promised land. They were special, they were assigned judges, but the sovereign King was to be Jehovah. However, they asked to have a human king like the other peoples of the earth.

And the Lord said to Samuel: "Hear the voice of the people in everything they tell you; for they have not rejected you, but have rejected me, lest I reign over them."

1 Samuel 8:7

The years passed and when the kingdom of Israel collapsed, and the Israelites were driven into exile, the prophets began to speak of a future king, the Messiah, the Son of David, who would restore the greatness of Israel, and

also, of Jehovah as shepherd of his people who would make him return to his land, would gather him as a flock, and it would save him definitively from his enemies.

"Truly I will gather all things together, O Jacob; I will certainly reap the rest of Israel; I will gather him as sheep of Bosra, as a flock in the midst of his plunder; they will roar through the multitude of men. He who opens paths before them will go up; they will open the way and pass the door, and go out through it; and their king shall pass before them, and at their head the Lord."

Micah 2:12 and 13

Moreover, they foresaw a progressive extension of this reign of God to the whole earth. The prophet Daniel was told to record this about the kingdom of God:

"And in the days of those kings, the God of heaven will raise up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crumble and end all these kingdoms, but he will remain forever."

Daniel 2:44

"But the saints of the Most High shall take the kingdom and possess it forever and ever" Daniel 7:18

Isaiah taught about King Jesus:

"Because a child is born to us, a child is given to us, and dominion will be on his shoulder. Your name will be

called: Admirable Counselor, Strong God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. The protractedness of his dominion and peace will have no end over the throne of David and his kingdom, to affirm and strengthen it with right and justice, from now and forever. The zeal of Jehovah of armies will do this."

Isaiah 9:6 and 7

And he related wonderfully in several passages, what the future kingdom will be like in all the earth:

"The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard with the goat shall lie down; the calf and the lion and the domestic beast will walk together, and a child will shepherd them.

The cow and bear will graze, their young will lie together; and the lion like the ox will eat straw.

And the breasted child will play on the cave of the asp, and the newly weaned will stretch out his hand over the cave of the viper. They will not do evil or harm in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

Isaiah 11:6-9

Zechariah also preached it:

"And the Lord shall be king over all the earth. In that day Jehovah will be one, and one his name."

Zechariah 14:9

Finally, through the prophets, in several beautiful passages that I cannot include or develop, because of how extensive it would be, the Lord announced the arrival of King Jesus, the establishment of the kingdom on earth through his work and the permanent manifestation until his glorious coming. Then yes, the kingdom will subdue all creation and the whole earth will be filled with its glory.

The prophet Isaiah was also in charge of announcing John the Baptist, who would be the one who would begin to openly preach the kingdom of God.

"Voice crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way for Jehovah; straighten up in solitude to our God.

Every valley be raised, and all hills and hills should be lowered; and the crooked is straightened, and the rough is flattened.

And the glory of the Lord shall be manifested, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken"

Isaiah 40:3-5

A new time had come:

"The law and the prophets were even John; since the kingdom of God is announced, and all strive to enter into it."

Luke 16:16

The Kingdom announced by John the Baptist:

"In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the Judean wilderness, and saying: Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come."

Matthew 3:1 and 2

Shortly after His baptism, Jesus began to preach: ***"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand"*** Matthew 4:17. When Jesus returned to His people, Nazareth, He went to the synagogue, opened the scroll of Isaiah, and read aloud the chosen passage that spoke clearly of the Messiah and then made it clear that He was the one the text was talking about. Rolling up the book, he gave it to the minister, and sat down; and the eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to tell them: ***"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled"***. Everyone present knew that he was referring to the Messiah so they were filled with anger; and rising, they threw him out of the city, and took him to the summit of the mountain on which their city was built to throw him off the cliff. Of course, not only could they not kill him, but he began his ministry by preaching through every village that the kingdom of God had come at hand:

"Jesus came to Galilee preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, saying: The time has been fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come closer; repent, and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:14 and 15

"When it was already daylight, he went out and went to a deserted place; and the people were looking for him, and getting to where he was, they stopped him so that he would not leave them. But he told them:

It is necessary that also to other cities announce the gospel of the kingdom of God; for this I have been sent."

Luke 4:42 and 43

"And Jesus went all over Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every infirmity in the people."

Matthew 4:24

Jesus trained his disciples and taught them to preach the kingdom, they watched his every move and listened attentively to his preaching:

"It came to pass afterwards that Jesus went through all the cities and villages, preaching and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom.

of God, and the twelve with him"

Luke 8:1

Then Jesus gave them authority and sent them to preach the kingdom with supernatural signs of power.

"Having gathered his twelve disciples, he gave them power and authority over all demons, and to heal diseases. And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick."

Luke 9:1 and 2

Jesus never stopped preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, speaking even to Pilate, before he was crucified. Then he died, but to the praise and glory of the Lord He was resurrected!

Even so, after he had been resurrected, He presented Himself to His disciples with proof that It was He, who spoke to them, and Continued to preach to them.

"... to whom also, after having suffered, he presented himself alive with many indubitable tests, appearing to them for forty days and speaking to them about the kingdom of God."

Acts 1:3

The moved disciples believed in His gospel and took it upon themselves to preach it to the ends of the earth.

"But when they believed Philip, who proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, men and women were baptized."

Acts 8:12

*"And Paul entered the synagogue, he spoke boldly.
for three months, discussing and persuading about the
kingdom of God."*

Acts 19:8

*"And now, behold, I know that none of you, among whom
I have passed.
preaching the Kingdom of God, you will see more of my
face."*

Acts 20:25

Paul taught that Jesus was King and that He would return as King to definitively manifest the kingdom of God. Because of this teaching, he was falsely accused of inciting his followers to overthrow the Roman government. Although that was not true, it put Paul and his companions in serious trouble.

The apostles proclaimed the kingdom of God, a kingdom very different from any secular empire, and no doubt gave Jesus the Greek title. *Basileus* What do you mean: King, a term by which the Roman emperor was described by his Greek-speaking subjects.

Since the gospel had to do with a literal kingdom whose king was Jesus Christ, this caused Paul to be accused of treason. The citizens feared that the Roman authorities would take action on the matter and treat them harshly if the kingdom of God continued to be openly discussed. This

incident shows the powerful impact that the kingdom's message had on the Roman world.

Paul taught that people should turn to false idols and gods and immediately begin to obey the teachings of the living God and that was challenging and violent for pagans.

"And having pointed out to him one day, many came to him at the inn, to whom he declared to them and testified to them the kingdom of God from morning to evening, persuading them about Jesus, both by the law of Moses and by the prophets."

Acts 28:23

"And Paul spent two whole years in a rented house, and he received all who came to him, preaching the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ, openly and unimpeded.""

Acts 28:30 and 31

Summing up, Paul said:

"He who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and transferred to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of sins"

Colossians 1:13 and 14

The early church was fully aware of what it was like to proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God. They did this in the power of the Holy Spirit, under this power they

announced to all people that they had a new proposal for change. They confronted the religious and political regime by offering good news, a different kingdom that made them free from bondage and servitude. Free from sin to live a renewed life, evangelism was the proposal to live a different and renewed way through Christ.

The apostles of the early church obeyed Christ's command:

"Preach the gospel to every creature"
Mark 16.15

Not everyone really converted, but according to the testimony of some of their enemies the disciples were guilty of upsetting the whole world. (**Acts 17:6**). In a short time they had already become the light of the world; not the light that is put under a bed, but the one that is put in a lampstand. They were like a city sitting on a mountain that cannot hide. (**Matthew 5:14 and 15**).

The disciples became the force that kings and representatives of the law had to take into account. Thousands and thousands of other people were added to the church. This amounted to much more than adding names to the membership list. People's lives were changed dramatically. Demons were cast out. The flame burned as the new Christians cleansed their homes, as well as their hearts.

***"Thus has the Lord commanded us:
I have set you by light unto the nations,***

***that you may bear my salvation
to the ends of the earth."***

Acts 13:47 NIV

Undoubtedly, the preaching of the kingdom is controversial, since always, the prophets were persecuted and many of them were killed, John the Baptist had his head cut off, Jesus wanted to be thrown off and in the end they ended up crucifying him with a sign on his head announcing his reign, his disciples were cruelly murdered and the pioneer church was persecuted without mercy. Undoubtedly, the message of the kingdom is not very popular, I ask: Are you equally willing to preach the kingdom?

"However, I consider that my life is worthless to myself, as long as I finish my career and carry out the service entrusted to me by the Lord Jesus, which is to bear witness to the gospel of God's grace."

Acts 20:24 NIV



Chapter Five

The Parables of the Kingdom

"For to anyone who has, it will be given, and he will have more; but to the one who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.

That is why I speak to you in parables: because seeing they do not see,

and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand"

Matthew 13:12

*"But blessed are your eyes,
for they see; and your ears, for they hear"*

Matthew 13:16

What are parables? They are comparisons taken from real life to be able to explain, to better exemplify the truths that you want to communicate. They are not fables, because these do not involve animal characters with human characteristics, nor allegories, because they are based on

credible facts or observations, taking most of these elements from everyday life.

Jesus said that He taught using parables so that only those who had a willing heart would understand His message, and he also did so, so that those who had a hardened heart could not understand. Therefore, to understand the message of Jesus today means to be a true disciple of his and, on the contrary, not to understand it supposes the lack of commitment and truth.

In this chapter, I do not intend to develop each of the parables taught by Jesus, not only because that task would merit a complete book, but because my goal is only to point out the kingdom in them.

Jesus taught a series of extraordinary parables. The first to consider, I think it should be, the parable of the sower and I would like to dwell a little on it in a special way because this parable I consider the portal of all the parables of the kingdom.

Probably, everyone who heard this parable had experience of the thrown seed, knew the concerns about the abundant or spoiled harvest. Perhaps this is why it was not difficult to draw spiritual consequences from this matter, but the disciples also asked for the explanation to understand. It was then that Jesus pointed out to them a portal of revelation:

And he said to them: Don't you know this parable?

How, then, will you understand all the parables?

Mark 4:13

What Jesus was telling them and together with them we learn. That if someone hears the Word of the kingdom and does not receive it in his heart with good disposition, he will never be able to understand it and that if someone does not understand this parable of the sower, which is precisely about being able to receive the good seed of the kingdom, he will have no chance for the rest of the gospel. Jesus said to them: If they can't understand this one, how will they understand all the others?

Then, if they lovingly received a first lesson about the need to have a well-disposed heart and about the bad consequences of hardness of heart: "The disciples came to him, Why do you speak in this way something difficult to understand? He answered them: ***"To you the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven have been made known."***

The kingdom is a mystery to the natural man, however, to the elect, the blessed who receive His life, the kingdom is a palpable and wonderful reality, so it is something outrageous when some religious says that the kingdom is not yet among us.

***"Hear, then, the parable of the sower:
When anyone hears the word of the
kingdom and does not understand it, the bad one comes,
and snatch what was sown in his heart.***

This is the one who was sown by the road."

Matthew 13:18 and 19

I would like you to observe in the explanation given by Jesus to the disciples that the seed is not just any seed, it is the seed of the kingdom. What is sown is what is harvested. If we preach the gospel of the Kingdom we will reap believers who will live the kingdom, but if we preach the gospel of religion, that is what we will have. That is why the church has not had the advancement and influence that it has had to manifest in this generation.

Jesus finished explaining the parable of the sower and then tells them another parable. In this case, what is usually referred to as the parable of wheat and tares.

"He referred them to another parable, saying: The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field..."

Matthew 13:24

In this parable the Lord resumes his teaching where he had left it at the end of the parable of the sower. He had told us that a quarter of the sown seed fell into good soil. The other three-quarters never produced anything because the people who heard the Word did not respond to it.

But now we see another facet of the condition of the kingdom of heaven in today's world. It is the illustration of a man who sowed good seed in his field.

***"But while the men slept, their enemy came.
and sowed tares among the wheat, and left."***

Matthew 13:25

While those men slept, the enemy came. Let us remember that the Lord is the sower and that He does not fall asleep, nor sleep. (**Psalm 121:4**). Satan is the enemy, and the one who sows tares among the wheat.

***"When wheat sprouted and produced grain,
then the tares also appeared."***

Matthew 13:26

When wheat and tares begin to grow, it is difficult to distinguish one from the other. It is not easy to distinguish a subtly wrong teaching, it is very likely to look like a kingdom, but if it is not, it will only generate results at the level of the soul and not in the spirit of the saints.

On one occasion, a pastor invited me with some frequency to impart the message of the kingdom in his congregation. I really enjoyed being able to do it, because the results started to come quickly. People were eager to understand and live the kingdom, which generated personal, family and financial testimonies. The whole congregation showed remarkable progress. Even the pastor and his family experienced integral prosperity in their ministry.

Unfortunately the pastor believed that he had already understood the kingdom and he did not. Our communion was

cut off and the work slowly returned to its previous state. You can't advance in the realm with words. True wheat is life, not words. Tares look like wheat, but it's not.

When a preacher changes the language, but does not change its essence, he does not preach kingdom, he only preaches renewed words, which seem to feed, but which only excite and for that reason, he will never get a good harvest.

"And the servants of the owner went and said to him, Lord, did you not sow good seed in your field? How, then, does it have tares? He told them: An enemy has done this. And the servants said to him: Do you want us to go and pick it up? But he said: No, lest when you pick up the tares, you pluck the wheat along with it. Let them both grow together to the harvest; and at the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers: Pick up the tares first and tie it in bunches to burn it, but the wheat is collected in my barn."

On the one hand, the church is getting better and worse on the other. It's getting better and better in the sense that wheat is growing. Today the apostolic and prophetic essence has been recovered, for the impartation of the kingdom. At the same time, things are getting worse and worse, because there are a lot of apostles who are not apostles, prophets who are not prophets, ministries that God did not open, and messages, which are supposedly kingdom, but in essence, they are not.

Wheat grows, but so do tares. In any case, we are warned that our mission is not to pluck the tares, because we could tear off at the same time and unintentionally, some ears of wheat. Our responsibility is limited to sowing the true gospel of the kingdom.

Why doesn't the Lord want us to intervene by removing tares? Because He is not looking at the church on this issue. He is looking at the world. If we were to focus on God's way, there would be no detractors using social media to criticize some apostles, prophets, ministries, or messages. They have no idea what harm they do in doing so.

Most criticism of the church is made on social media by Christians. People who have nothing to do with the church, do not know and rarely think about it, but there are little brothers or I would say cousins, who do not stop criticizing everything they do not understand and unfortunately, it is not revealed to them that, although they may be right about something, they should stop publicly exposing what God will solve in secret.

True believers are those who have trusted Christ as Savior and obey Him as Lord. This is the decisive test that proves the authenticity of the children of the kingdom. And no one should worry too much about tares and wheat growing together. In a future day the Lord will use His sickle and separate the tares and the wheat, we will not do it.

Interestingly, the following parable Jesus taught was about a new seed class:

***"Another parable referred to them, saying:
The kingdom of heaven is like the grain of
mustard, which a man took and sowed in his field..."***
Matthew 13:31

Just as the parable of the leaven told us about the inner condition of the kingdom, this parable reveals the outer growth of the kingdom. The church has not converted the whole world, but that is not its function. Prophetically we know it won't, but even so, the idea is that the kingdom will advance in such a way that it is visible and desirable.

***"Which to the truth is the smallest of all seeds; but when it
has grown, it is the largest of the vegetables, and it
becomes a tree, in such a way that they come
the birds of the sky and make nests in their branches"***
Matthew 13:32

This parable concludes by saying that birds took shelter in their branches. There have been several interpretations about birds, but I think that in this discourse they do not represent anything good, let us remember the interpretation of the Lord in the first parable, in which the birds took the seed that had fallen by the road.

The Lord said they represented the enemy. I am afraid that, at present, many ministries are being invaded by flocks

of birds that only seek refuge and eat the anointing of the kingdom, but have no identity or commitment.

The next parable Jesus told was that of the yeast in the flour:

"Another parable said to them: The kingdom of heaven is similar to the leaven that a woman took, and hid in three measures of flour, until everything was leavened."

Matthew 13:33

To fully understand this brief but fundamental parable, we must remember that Jesus is teaching about what happens to the kingdom of God on earth during the interval between rejection of Christ and His exaltation when He returns to manifest the fullness of His kingdom.

Let me analyze this parable by taking into account the context, without neglecting all that has been said before and during Christ's earthly ministry. I don't want to take it so lightly, or interpret it superficially as it is usually done.

What is the kingdom, yeast or flour? Don't rush to answer, a quick read won't help much. Before analyzing this, I share another updated version.

***Jesus gave them one more comparison: "With the kingdom
The same thing happens to God as with flour.***

When a woman puts a little bit of yeast in it, that little bit makes the whole dough grow."

Matthew 13:33 (BLS)

Some interpret leaven as the gospel, but that reveals that they are ignoring everything Scripture says about it. Nowhere in the Bible is leaven used as a reference to a principle of good, it is always related to the principle of evil.

The word leaven appears approximately 98 times in the Bible, 75 times in the Old Testament and 23 times in the New Testament and is always used in a bad sense. In the Old Testament it was forbidden to use it for offerings presented to God. In the New Testament, in **Matthew 16:6**, our Lord warned against the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees. And the apostle Paul, in **1 Corinthians 5:8**, wrote about the leaven of malice and wickedness. The symbolism of Scripture is not contradicted, and we can be sure that leaven is not used in this passage in a good way. Therefore, leaven is not the gospel of the kingdom, but the three measures of flour. For flour is made of grain or good seeds, and the Lord had already told us in the parable of the sower that the seed represented the Word of the kingdom.

In this story, a woman appears who took the yeast and hid it in the flour. If here the leaven represented the gospel, why should I hide it? The gospel must be publicly proclaimed to the ends of the earth not to hide in a mass. I know that what I am exposing may be a little moving with respect to the concepts already adopted, but I believe that leaven is the

beginning of evil, and the woman hid it in flour, which represents the gospel of the kingdom.

Yeast is a substance used to produce fermentation. When added to the bread dough it makes it grow and makes it also tasty. For this reason, many people find emotion and new sensations with supposed messages of the kingdom that promise dominance, advancement and conquests without commitment, but, although that may be tasty, I assure you that it is not a kingdom.

As far as the natural taste is concerned, unleavened bread is not very appetizing. A little yeast adds flavor. When the dough reaches a certain height, the baker stops the fermentation by introducing it into the oven to cook it. But if before putting it in the oven, the baker lets the dough continue to increase by the action of the yeast is totally corrupted, we could literally say that it rots acquiring a sour taste impossible to digest.

Actually, yeast represents the principle of evil. This parable warns that the lack of revelation and care of what the kingdom truly is can produce a mortal apostasy in the church and unfortunately, today we are living that neglect.

Many are taking the apostolic message and spiritual fatherhood only to stimulate people, then control them, subdue them, and profit from their lives, but, that's not kingdom, that's just corruption.

Let us read again and under this concept the words of Jesus: *"The kingdom of heaven is like the leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour until everything was fermented"*.

The Apostle Paul, in **2 Timothy 4:3**, he wrote warning that the time would come when people would not endure the sound teaching of the kingdom.

The true gospel of the kingdom is a compromising and challenging message. It is a call to leave everything, not to receive everything. Today's humanism makes it very difficult to accept this concept. For this reason, people are uncomfortable and are jumping from congregation to congregation and if they do not find one that preaches what they want to hear, they end up congregating in the virtual church of YouTube, with the pastor they want to listen.

"Moreover, the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field, which a man finds, and hides it again; and joyful for it goes and sells everything what he has, and he buys that field"
Matt 13:44

In this parable, the treasure is Israel, not the church, the field is the world, and the man is Jesus Christ who gave himself to redeem the nation of Israel. Therefore, here we do not speak of a sinner buying the gospel, because it is not hidden in the field.

However, Israel is today a hidden treasure all over the world. Someone might claim that right now it is a nation. It is, but in a state of conflict. You will not be able to enjoy your land until you receive it from the Lord Jesus Christ. Nor will he be able to enjoy peace, just like any other country, because only the Prince of Peace can achieve it.

"The kingdom of heaven is also like a merchant looking for fine pearls, and finding a pearl of great value, he went and sold everything he had and bought it."

Matthew 13:45 and 46

The popular interpretation of this parable says that the sinner is the merchant, and that the pearl of great value is Christ. According to this interpretation, the sinner sells everything he has in order to buy Christ. Let me disagree, but this is the other way around.

No sinner is seeking salvation, no kingdom, much less considering that he has great value. Nor could we consider a sinner paying for something he doesn't have, for what he doesn't know and doesn't understand. Nonsense.

The correct interpretation of the parable reveals Christ as the merchant. He left his heavenly home and came to this earth to find a pearl of great value. Here he found lost sinners and died for them shedding their blood. He sold everything He had to buy us and redeem us for God.

The pearl of great price represents the church. The pearl is not a gemstone. It is formed by means of a living organism. A grain of sand or other foreign material is introduced into the shell of a small sea creature, wounds it and causes it pain, the response of the organism is to produce a secretion that covers the foreign matter, trying to protect itself until the pearl is formed. That is, the pearl was created from pain just like the church.

A pearl is not like other gemstones, it cannot be carved to enhance its beauty, it will only remain as it was formed. The pearl was never considered valuable by the Israelites, although it was considered valuable by the other nations, as was the case with the church.

Christ came to this earth took our sin and carried it on His own body. Our sin was like a foreign matter introduced into his life, it caused him pain, however, he covered us with his white garments leaving us beautiful and of great value.

In the end, when in Revelation we find a description of the New Jerusalem, its doors are made of pearls. This is not a coincidence; it has been projected in that way into the extraordinary design of the kingdom.

"Likewise the kingdom of heaven is like a net, which, cast into the sea, gathers from all kinds of fish; and once full, they take it to the shore; and seated, they collect the good in baskets, and the bad they throw out. So it will be at the end of the age: the angels will go out, and they will drive

***away the wicked from among the righteous, and they will
cast them into the fiery furnace;
there will be the weeping and gnashing of teeth"***
Matthew 13:47-50

In this parable, in the phrase, "so it will be at the end of the century" many versions say world, but the word used in the Greek is the word ***Aion***, which means age. The Bible does not teach the end of the world, but the end of times as we know them.

In the true message of the kingdom, a church living on a cloud, playing the harp for an eternity, is not announced. The kingdom announces the coming of the glorious King and his earthly rule with the church.

***"For the wicked shall be destroyed,
But those who wait on Jehovah will inherit the earth."***
Psalm 37:9

As I explained above, this does not mean that the work of conquest will be done by us. The church will be persecuted at the same time that the enemy will seek to establish a new order of world government. There are things that will become truly dangerous, yet we will prevail until His coming and rejoice in victory.

***"But the meek shall inherit the earth,
And they will be recreated with an abundance of peace."***
Psalm 37:11

When Christ comes, every knee will bow before the king and there will be a time of peace like never before, then the enemy will rise again, but at its end, it will only be in front of the lake of fire and brimstone, next to the anti Christ, the false prophet, the fallen angels and all the wicked who rejected the kingdom.

***"For the blessed of him shall inherit the earth;
And the cursed of him will be destroyed."***

Psalm 37:22

The gospel of the kingdom is not good news of escape, fear or failure, it is the announcement of Christ's consummate victory on the cross of Calvary. It is the redemption of our lives, but also that of all creation.

***"The righteous shall inherit the earth,
And they will live forever on it."***

Psalm 37:29

And finally, if you're thinking about 2 Peter 3:10-13, I can only tell you to read it carefully, to consider that, for us, the Lord will not come as a thief in the night, that is for the wicked. That this unfolds precisely in His coming and that new heaven and new earth are the result of redemption, just as it happened with us, who, if we have believed, are new creatures.

"The heavens are the heavens of the Lord;

And he has given the earth to the children of men."

Psalm 115:16

The last parable that Jesus expressed in Matthew is not considered as such by some theologians and reads as follows:

"He said to them, That is why every learned scribe in the kingdom of heaven is like a father of a family, who draws from his treasure new things and old things."

Matthew 13:52

The Lord had told his disciples one by one the parables of the kingdom and at the end, he was asking his disciples if they had understood everything he had told them. They, surprisingly, answered yes, but we all know, from their future actions, that they had not understood much. However, Jesus was acting as a father of a family who extracted new things and old things from his treasure.

These words were applied to Jesus and today apply very well, to all those who teach and preach the gospel of the kingdom. There are foundations that should not be changed, because one does not reform a house by touching its foundations. But there are new ways of interpreting hidden truths, which today, in his sovereign right, the Father is revealing to his Church.

We should not preach the kingdom pretending to be novel or inventing things to impact the audience, that is not our function, because we will end up making the Bible say,

what the Bible does not mean and that is very serious. Gospel communicators should only allow the Holy Spirit to take control of His Word and our lives, because that way the true message that the church today needs to receive will flow.

"The connoisseurs will shine like the radiance of the firmament; and those who teach justice to the multitude, like the stars to perpetual eternity."

Daniel 12:3



Chapter Six

The colonization of the Kingdom

Colonization consists of the citizens of a country inhabiting a foreign territory, with the purpose of influencing that domain with the culture and values of their native country and governing it through the laws of their government of origin.

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"
Genesis 1:1

I know that you may have read this passage hundreds of times, but I would like to invite you to fix your attention on the heavens and the earth, that is, this passage is clarifying that there are two creations, one is heaven and the other is earth.

The heavens are the heavens of God and He alone rules that realm. On only one occasion there was a revolution in

heaven, but God ended up expelling those who produced it, because only God rules and will rule forever the heavens.

On the other hand, the land was granted to men, for this reason, we have its essence. God formed man from the dust of the earth.

***"The heavens are the heavens of the Lord;
And he has given the earth to the children of men."***

Psalm 115:16

God created the earth to be inhabited and ruled by Him through men.

"For thus saith the LORD, who created the heavens; he is God, the one who formed the earth, the one who made it and composed it; He did not create it in vain, that it might be inhabited, he created it:

I am Jehovah, and there is no other."

Isaiah 45:18

God has given us the government of the earth, but not its ownership definitively.

***"The land will not be sold in perpetuity,
for my land is; for you strangers
and foreigners you are for me"***

Leviticus 25:23

The Kingdom of Heaven is the place where God dwells. It is a physical and visible place, but not for us. It is a place inaccessible to mortals, except that, in His sovereign will, God allows it.

***"The LORD established in heaven his throne,
and his kingdom dominates over everything"***

Psalm 103:19

In the third heaven is the capital of the kingdom of God, it is from where the river, life and light flow. We are ambassadors of that wonderful kingdom here on earth.

On the other hand, the kingdom of God is the extension of that Throne of power. That is, wherever God's will is done, God's kingdom is operating. It is not a physical place and it is an invisible realm

When one lives in sin, the kingdom of darkness is manifested. When you live in the will of God, the kingdom of God is manifested.

"And the earth was disordered and empty, and darkness was upon the face of the abyss, and the Spirit of God was moving upon the face of the waters. And God said: Let there be the light; and it was the light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness"

Genesis 1:2-4

"Then God said, Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness; and lord in the fish of the sea, in the birds of the heavens, in the beasts, in all the earth, and in every animal that crawls upon the earth. And God created man in his image, in the image of God he created him; male and female created them. And God blessed them, and he said to them: Fructify and multiply; fill the earth, and subdue it, and lord it in the fish of the sea, in the birds of the heavens, and in all the beasts that move upon the earth."

Genesis 1:26-28

I exposed these passages from Genesis, because they are key to understanding the colonization of the kingdom. The word "**Created**" comes from Hebrew **Bara**, which means to create from nothing, while the word "**Let's do**" comes from Hebrew **Handle**, which means to form from what is already created. This is not a contradiction, because indeed man was so much created out of nothing as he was formed from what already existed.

When God took the dust from the earth to form man, the dust was already there. When God breathed upon man His divine breath, the breath was already within Him. But what was created out of nothing? The soul, and that is what makes man such a special being.

We have a physical body, with the characteristics of the earth we inhabit. That is why the Word says that we are dust and that we will return to dust. This is so, because what

God intended to rule was the earth and only earth redeems land. Our body is our legal right of manifestation. That's why we'll never see the dead preaching, not even angels can do that.

*"Then the dust will return to the earth as what it was,
and the spirit shall return to God who gave it."*

Ecclesiastes 12:7

In addition, men have the spiritual life, life that sin killed, but that Christ gave us again. That life has the nature of God, not that of the earth. It is nature that connects us to heaven, because from that dimension we receive government.

On the other hand, we have a soul and that soul, it is not like the earth, nor is it like God, it is only our self, that is why the soul has to be redeemed, saved. (**Psalm 62:1**). That is, our body is a body of death and God will give us a glorified one. (**1 Corinthians 15:53**), our spirit is reborn because we were dead in trespasses and sins, but our soul in Christ enters into a process of continuous redemption.

Sin disconnects man from heaven and God, but I do not disconnect him from earth. The gospel of the kingdom reconnects us to heaven, but it does not intend to disconnect us from the earth. That is the absurdity of those who intend to celestialize, what must work connected to both heaven and earth, because that was the original design.

God made man of the earth, because what he desired to rule was the earth and he breathed his breath of life into him, because he needed it connected with his will. Sin disconnected Adam and all of us (**Isaiah 59:2**) while the Blood of Christ reconnected us. Now we must function connected with heaven and connected with earth for the glory of God.

"For it pleased the Father that in him dwell all fullness, and through him to reconcile with him all things, so those which are on earth as those which are in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

And to you too, who were once strangers, and enemies in your mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled you."

Colossians 1:19-21

Therefore, man is the integration of the parts that were created out of nothing and the things that were already made. Man must be ruled by God and must be a wise steward of the earth. Man disconnected from God has no right to rule the earth and creation knows it, so he groans, waiting for the glorious manifestation of the children of the kingdom. (**Romans 8:19**).

Adam was a perfect son of God, made in His image and likeness. The similarity lay in the qualities that elevated the human race far above animals. From its very beginning, in the heart of man were rooted the qualities of love, wisdom, power and justice.

God had endowed Adam with free will and spirituality. His innate moral sense, or conscience, enabled him to distinguish between good and evil. He possessed great intellectual ability, so he could meditate on the reason for human existence, know his Creator better, and cultivate a close relationship with Him. With such faculties, Adam had everything necessary to fulfill his role as steward of earthly creation.

It is believed that his wisdom was exceptional, since he named all the animals that were on the earth and also had to till the garden, which involved taking care of an extremely extensive area. Some theologians analyze the garden, as if it had been a small garden, however there were three rivers in it, which denotes a truly extensive territory.

Adam's conduct regarding eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was really suicidal, because he knew very well that God had told him that if he ate he would die. In addition, it meant the murder of all the offspring that God mercifully allowed him to beget, since all of them were born under the death sentence that sin entails. (**Romans 5:12**). It was, no doubt, a high price for such selfish disobedience.

The immediate effect of sin was a feeling of shame. Instead of turning to God, Adam hid (**Genesis 3:8**). His friendship with God had been shattered. When he questioned Him about His conduct, He showed no remorse, even though He was aware that He had broken His law.

Adam argued before God that he had eaten of the forbidden fruit, because the woman who had given him, the supposed suitable help, invited him. Holding Eve responsible for such misfortune and God Himself who had created her from his rib.

Adam and Eve did not die physically within twenty-four hours, but that day they died in a spiritual sense. Forever removed from the Source of life, they began to suffer a deterioration that would culminate in death. Imagine her bitter first encounter with her, the day Cain, her firstborn, murdered Abel, her second son. (**Genesis 4:1-16**).

From then on, we see man fall down an infinite slide of sin and evil. Such was the growth of evil that God determined total destruction through the universal flood. Noah found grace before the Lord and God gave him a chance of salvation for himself, his family, and the animals, but sin was already doing its work in the hearts of men and has not stopped to this day.

Since then, only a few men and women of renown have had fellowship with God, lived under His will, and sought to walk in the Divine purpose. However, only Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the so-called Son of men, came to reconcile all things and bring the Father's government to all mankind.

*"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my will,
but the will of the one who sent me."*

John 6:38

Many might say that it was easy for Jesus to obey God's will because His divine nature helped Him to do so, but we must always remember that in addition to being 100% God, Jesus was also 100% man and in His humanity he went through moments of temptations as the author reminds us to the Hebrews:

"For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in everything like us, but without sin."

Hebrews 4:15

Our Lord had struggles with His flesh like any of us, but God allowed It to give us the example of how we can also overcome the flesh with the help of the Holy Spirit, and fulfill God's will with our lives.

The kingdom cannot be lived with human forces, but with Divine power. In Adam there is only failure, so the Lord gives us a new life in Christ Jesus and proposes to us with the gospel of the kingdom, a simple change of behavior in people. Actually, men, we do not have a problem of behavior, but of heart.

For this reason, the Lord gives us a new heart and new spiritual life, to develop and reach fullness.

***"For we are buried together with him to death by baptism,
that as Christ rose from the dead by the glory of the
Father, so we too may walk in new life."***

Romans 6:4

Here we are told of being buried with Christ, just as we are identified with Christ in his death, in the same way, we are identified with Him in His resurrection. And today we are united to a living Christ. In other words, our sins have already been judged; So, we have risen with Him for new life.

We lived in Adam, in the old nature of sin that prevented us from understanding and doing God's perfect will. Today we live in Christ, we have a new heart and his Holy Spirit dwelling within us. Today we can and must do His will, so that God's government may be manifested throughout the earth.

Adam was God's representative, but he failed and ended up representing the devil, so today the whole world is under the evil one. Humanist rule is perverse and rooted in darkness. But we can live a new life, that is the design of the kingdom and the practical expression of a heavenly culture on earth.

***"For if by the transgression of one death reigned, much
more shall reign in life for one, Jesus Christ,
those who receive the abundance of grace
and of the gift of justice"***

Romans 5:17

Adam's sin was imputed to us in the same way that christ's righteousness was imputed to us by His death on the cross. Christ is the head of a new race, a new creation, which is the Church, His body.

The only foundation of the Church is Jesus Christ her Lord. She is His new creation.

"Thus it is also written: He was made the first man, Adam, living soul; the last Adam, the spirit that gives life. The first man is of the earth, earthly; the second man, who is the Lord, is from heaven."

1 Corinthians 15:45-47

The kingdom of God today is in the hands of the reborn, of the saints in light, of the children of the king, from whom we have received the grace and life of Christ. We are ambassadors, representatives of God, ministers of the new covenant, kings and priests, saints and consecrated persons. Today we are the eternal gates that God needs to colonize the entire world with the culture of the kingdom.

"He also commissioned me to make known to everyone the fulfillment of his plan. God, creator of the universe, he kept that plan a secret for centuries.

Thus, through the church, the angels and the mighty spirits of the air will now know that God is wise in everything. This was what God had planned since the principle, and that it has made it a reality by means

of Jesus Christ our Lord"

Ephesians 3:9-11 V.L.S.

Why did the Lord have to keep His plan a secret for centuries?

Because he could not make such a plan known, nor execute it with people of a nature different from his own, because a sin nature can never truly manifest a Kingdom.

**"The Lord was to colonize
through children, not subjects"**

All the so-called heroes of the faith, both men and women, had admirable lives, did feats for God, yet although they were obedient to God, they were not reborn children. Only through Christ do we receive this grace. For this reason, Paul says, this mystery of the kingdom was kept secret for centuries.

When grace came in Jesus Christ, he not only brought us salvation, but also His life, so that we might live as children of God, joint heirs with Christ, and worthy representatives of God on earth.

The Falkland Islands are Argentine territory, however, they were colonized years ago by the English. Therefore, on the island, there are buildings with a marked English style, they speak that language, have tea at five and sing their hymn greeting the queen with bows.

When Spain ruled this part of the continent it sent Spaniards, not French. Only the children of the earth know and legitimately express the culture, customs, laws and life of a nation.

Estimates of the number of inhabitants and languages existing on the American continent before the first European contact are uncertain. There are those who say that 5 million people were located in Central America and that they spoke about 300 different languages. It has also been speculated that in South America and the West Indies some 9 million native speakers spoke more than 1400 languages. However, with the arrival of the European colonizers that changed, because today the language and cultural influence brought from Europe predominates.

So too, the children of God, we are not mere evangelicals, we are ambassadors who manifest the life of God and the culture of the kingdom on earth.

"Since then, the good news of the kingdom of God is announced, and everyone struggles to enter it"
St. Luke 16:16 V.L.S.

This colonizing right was held by Adam and Eve, but they did not walk faithfully to the crown that commissioned them, therefore, they were removed from their authority. Today we have recovered everything in Christ, let us walk as heirs, children of the King of Glory.

"So, we are ambassadors in the name of Christ, as if God were praying through us; We pray to you in the name of Christ: Be reconciled to God"

2 Corinthians 5:20

An ambassador is an official envoy who represents a foreign sovereign and provides a link between the territory he is in and the place he represents. Ambassadors work to build relationships and develop policies that favor both the host and the country of origin. An ambassador is appointed by his government and given authority to speak on his behalf.

An ambassador must be very careful. He lives in one territory, but is accountable to another. It should represent the message of a leader who is not directly present. You must also embody the character of your home country, following laws and customs that are not necessarily known or welcome in the host nation.

The apostles' job as ambassadors was to spread their King's message to every host nation. That message was reconciliation. God wanted to be personally reconciled with the people they lived with. In a way, the apostles were asking their hosts to commit treason against the system of the world and commit themselves to the citizenship of the kingdom of God, so they were persecuted and martyred.

If we want to represent Jesus in the world, we must live by the standards of our new King, even if we are persecuted

or imprisoned by our host country. (**Ephesians 6:20**).
Finally, ambassadors must spread the message of the kingdom everywhere, not just through words, but through a culture.

*"I, therefore, arrange for you a kingdom,
as my Father arranged for me."*

Luke 22:29



Chapter Seven

The Kingdom of The Sons

To correctly interpret the Kingdom, we need to recognize the types, anti types, signs, and shadows in Scripture.

"He said to them, That is why every learned scribe in the kingdom of heaven is like a father of a family, who draws from his treasure new things and old things."

Matthew 13:52

As we have seen in previous chapters, Adam was a type of Christ, because, although he is considered the first man, he was actually made in the image and likeness of God, with which he had an absolute representativeness.

Adam was created for an extraordinary purpose, but his disobedience degraded him pitifully. He ceased to be the image and representative of God.

Eve, who had the task of being one with him and his suitable help, ended up losing her honor and that position of privilege.

The orchard, which was the place of Divine government, the zone of abundance, ended up being forbidden to them. And an angel, as well as a burning sword that was walking, guarded the place so that they could not return.

All this is very significant, because that is the kingdom. If Adam and Eve had allowed themselves to be ruled by God, Satan would never have had his chance. If they submitted to His rule, they had the possibility of enjoying the abundance of the garden and full communion with Him.

Their children would have lived in peace, in harmony and enjoying the same abundance. The garden would have spread, until it filled the earth with glory and divine blessing. That was the plan, yet man outside of God's government generates what we see today.

Instead of multiplying the blessing, men multiplied the wickedness in such a way that God

determined the flood. Noah found grace before the Lord and was able to save his family, as well as all species of animals and in this story, kingdom is also manifested.

The ark was a Divine design, made in obedience, capable of saving, of overcoming judgment and of reaching the mountain. In the ark there was peace, although he sailed on a tremendous storm. In the ark there was food and there was security. The ark was a zone of Divine government.

Abraham, for his part, was also the protagonist of a kingdom design, which is why he received eternal and global promises. He just wanted one offspring to inherit and God ended up promising him to be a blessing to every family on earth.

Abraham's life was also a kingdom figure. He revealed the legal norm that regulates promises, that is: Faith. Abraham exposed the dimension of the kingdom with its processes. When he contemplated the stars and understood their earthly limitation by embracing the eternal dimensions.

He exposed the kingdom when he was willing to give up his beloved son, in an expression of utmost obedience. He exposed the kingdom in a generational, eternal, and global way. Abraham showed the Father, just as Isaac showed the blessing of the son and Jacob showed the work of the Holy Spirit, his processes, and his transformation.

Joseph lived kingdom by sustaining himself in obedience to God and penetrating the system of Egypt. Joseph showed the kingdom prophetically, wisely, and governingly. Joseph saved his family, but more importantly, he saved the whole world from hunger.

Moses lived a kingdom, so he could do nothing with his own strength. He was freed to be a deliverer, he had access to God, to the mountain and to the earth. Because physically he saw her from afar, but spiritually he entered. Let us remember the mount of transfiguration. This is the kingdom, all projection is in the spiritual dimension.

Figures, shadows, teachings, everything is there in abundance so that we can discover the kingdom. I began to describe the kingdom in the Bible, however,

I can only reduce the idea by showing a few points, because there is so much richness in the treasures of the Word, that I could well devote an entire book to listing them, because in it, the old becomes new and the new always challenges us.

The author said to the Hebrews, what else can I tell you? I would not have the time to tell you about the faith that men like Gideon had, like Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David and his selfless devotion, his battles, his conquests, his singular tabernacle.

Like listing the surrender of Samuel, the wisdom of Solomon, the management of prophets like Isaiah, Jeremiah or Daniel, men who trusted in God, and therefore conquered territories, acted with justice, lived kingdom.

They closed the mouths of lions and put out great fires. They escaped that those who sought to kill them, received forces when they were weaker, and in the war they were so powerful that they defeated the enemy armies, all these stories are in the Bible to show us the kingdom, not to create a new religion.

Men and women who, persecuted for their faith, trusted God so much that they did not want to be set free. On the contrary, they let them be killed because they knew they would live again and be much better off. That is also kingdom.

The kingdom is the expression of the Father's heart. It is the loving design of justice, peace, and spiritual joy. **(Romans 14:17)**. The kingdom was the beginning, it was the feast and it was also the pain. The kingdom was the birth of Christ, his life, his death, and his resurrection. It is the Church, it was its essence and it will be the end of all eternal expression.

It is wonderful to know that today we have the privilege of living fully, what the Old Testament counts only as a shadow of what it is. Today we have the reality that many of them announced without understanding, today we are children of God and we must live in the dimension of that revelation.

"The prophets who prophesied of the grace destined for you inquired and diligently inquired about this salvation, searching which person and what time the Spirit of Christ who was in them indicated, who announced in advance the sufferings of Christ, and the glories that would come after them.

***To these it was revealed that not for themselves, but for us,
they administered the things that are now announced to
you by those who have preached the gospel to you.
by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven;
things in which the angels long to look."***
1 Peter 1:10-12

I am sincerely moved to see these extraordinary men whom we admire so much, diligently inquiring about who and at what time someone would live this glory that they saw. God told them that it would not be they who would have the privilege of enjoying this glory, but for us they administered this truth.

How tremendous this is! May God help us to value what we have today. May God help us to understand kingdom life and stop looking like mediocre evangelicals at what God has granted us. It breaks me to think that many died to sustain this message of the kingdom so that in the end, it would reach us and, even so, many do not value this truth.

The dimensions of the kingdom:

Where there is no king, everyone sets their own laws. Before God gave a king to the Israelites each one toward what seemed good to him.

***"In those days there was no king in Israel;
each one did what he thought was good"***

Judges 17:6

In the same way it happens with men in general, when we do not allow God to govern our decisions, we do what we can think of and that may seem good, the problem is that we end up paying very dearly the cost of our supposed independence.

Freedom is not doing what we want, freedom is doing the right things. Free is not the one who does everything he wants, but the one who does everything he should. The big issue is knowing what is right? o What is due?

Raising children in freedom implies not letting them do what they want, but that is not because of evil, it is because they do not know how to act well. Those of us who are parents, educate, correct, exhort and try to lead our children as best as possible, a little, because that is our responsibility and another little, because we already go through some situations in life and we know the consequences of error.

That is also our limitation, because it is possible that even in the councils, we are wrong as parents. But God is our perfect and wise Father, who knows all things and who would never unduly counsel us.

When our children determine to make their own decisions, we simply leave them and on many occasions, we suffer when we see that they are wrong and no longer consult anything. The same happens with our heavenly Father, when men stop asking for his advice and determine to do what they

want, God does not prevent it, simply and in pain, he lets us make our own decisions.

When I speak kingdom in some congregation, I cannot assimilate that someone doubts that the kingdom is already among us, since kingdom, is that God as Father, governs our decisions through the communion of His Holy Spirit in our hearts.

We saw that, in the old covenant, many men and women of faith did great feats in obedience to the Lord, yet they all lived with a God outside their body. God spoke from the cloud, from a bush, on the mountain, on the tablets of stone, in the tabernacle, in the peaceful whistle, or by a prophet, but in the new covenant He speaks to us in the Son.

"God, having spoken many times and in many ways in another time to the fathers by the prophets, in these last days he has spoken to us through the Son, to whom he constituted heir of all, and by whom he also made the universe..."

Hebrews 1:1 and 2

One of the great problems that an external God manifests is that human obedience is totally limited and we only find some admirable exceptions in which we find selfless obedience, however, in most cases the task is impossible.

Human beings, after adam's sin, are born with a nature inclined to sin and without real possibilities for change, so God sent his Son to die for all men, because the implicit message is: "There is no remedy, sinful man must die, for he will never cease to be what he is..."

The Lord manifested it that way in the flood, yet He promised himself not to do it again, therefore, He did it definitively on the cross of Calvary. Christ died on the cross for all sinners, but the wonderful thing about all this is that He rose again on the third day to give us a new life free from all rebellion.

"For as by the disobedience of one man the many were made sinners, so also by the obedience of one, the many shall be made righteous."

Romans 5:19

"For we are buried together with him to death by baptism, that as Christ rose from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in new life.

For if we were planted together with him in the likeness of his death, so we will be so in that of his resurrection; Knowing this, that our old man was crucified together with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that we might no longer serve sin. For he who has died has been justified from sin. And if we die with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him..."

Romans 6:4-8

This new life that God bestows upon us is a life in obedience, not by human capacity, but by divine grace. If we believe that on the day Jesus died we die with Him and that on the day of His resurrection, we are resurrected in Him. Then we receive His Blood that cleanses us from all sin. (**Ephesians 1:7**) and his Holy Spirit can dwell in our being, to lead us to all truth and righteousness. (**John 16:13**).

Now God's law, which is His will, is placed in our hearts through the new covenant.

"This is the covenant I will make with them.

After those days, the Lord says:

I will put my laws in your hearts,

And in your minds I will write them."

Hebrews 10:16

Now God can rule us through His Spirit in our hearts. His will ceases to be the letters carved on a stone or printed in a book and become the expression of life itself, that is kingdom.

"But the Lord said to him, Now, you Pharisees cleanse what is out of the glass and the plate, but inside you are full of rapacity and wickedness."

Luke 11:39

The Pharisees and religious of Jesus' day overlooked the inner kingdom and only sought to please God externally.

That problem is what all people have, to this day, that's why we find some saying: I'm good people, I don't know why what happens to me happens to me... Actually, that is the expression of those who believe themselves to be good people, because they cannot evaluate anything according to God.

That is, they have tried to do their best in all things, the problem is that few of those things have been done according to God's will and something good is not what society considers good, but what God says.

A man can do feats and conquer large territories. Over time, they may make a street named after him and a large monument in a square, however, he may not even have been saved. That is, justification before God is not the result of our works, but of the works done by Christ on our behalf.

Our good works as children of God are only the result of the understanding, obedience, and deeds of the Spirit of Christ in us.

"Occupy yourselves in your salvation with fear and trembling, for It is God who produces in you the will as well as the doing, by his good will"

Philippians 2:12 and 13

The goal of the announced kingdom was a new creation. God would create a new people through His Son. Adam is the old man of sin and Christ the new man according

to God. We were in Adam, but after the cross and resurrection, we are in Christ and only in Him can we live kingdom.

***"So if anyone is in Christ,
new creature is; the old things happened;
behold, they are all made new"
2 Corinthians 5:17***

This new life that we live in Christ is what allows us to see and live the kingdom with all fullness.

***"What is born of the flesh, flesh is; and that which is born
of the Spirit, spirit is. Don't marvel at what I told you:
You need to be born again.
The wind blows from where it wants, and you hear its
sound; but you do not know where it comes from, nor
where it goes;
so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."
John 3:6-8***

We are the new creation. We have been created for the glory of God. We are a people formed by the Lord. We are created in Christ for the manifestation of the Kingdom.

This wonderful work of God in the hearts of His saints, providing that endearing desire to obey and serve Him, even beyond convenience and even death itself, is the manifest kingdom in two dimensions.

These two dimensions consist of the life of God who dwells in us and of our life that must abide in Him.

When the light reaches us by His grace and we confess that Jesus is Lord and that God raised Him from the dead, we are saved. (**Romans 10:9**). When we make this confession from the heart (**10**) the Blood of Christ cleanses us from all sin (**1 John 1:17**) and His Holy Spirit comes to dwell in us to guide us (**Romans 8:14**).

This is the first and great dimension of kingdom life in us. When Jesus spoke to the Samaritan woman at the water well (**John 4:1-26**) he asked her to invite him water and then said: *"If you knew the gift of God, and who is it that says to you: Give me a drink; you would ask him, and he would give you living water..."*

Jesus also said to her: *"Whoever drinks of this water will be thirsty again; but he who drinks of the water which I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will be in him a fountain of water that springs forth for eternal life..."*

This water that Jesus said he could give is like a river, like an inexhaustible source that satisfies and sustains without limit. It is the Holy Spirit who comes to dwell in us and who in guiding us leads us to a true fullness of life.

"In this we know that we remain in him,

***and he in us, in that he has given us of his Spirit.
And we have seen and testified that the Father has sent
the Son the Savior of the world.***

***Anyone who confesses that Jesus is the Son of God,
God abides in him, and he in God."***

1 John 4:13-15

Let us see here that God abides in us, but that we are invited to abide in Him.

What I call the first dimension is the dimension that God generated by His eternal love. It is the dimension in which He dwells in us by His Spirit to guide us.

But the second dimension occurs when we allow ourselves to be guided and in obedience, we accept to be totally introduced into His person and it is no longer us who carry His Spirit, but His Spirit who leads us to where He desires well.

***"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,
whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free;
and we were all given to drink of the same Spirit.***

1 Corinthians 12:13

Let us see here, that if we drink of His Spirit, He will be within us, but if we are baptized, which implies being submerged, then, not only is the Lord within us, but we are within His person and it is in this second dimension, we lose all determination and surrender to His perfect will.

For example, if I drink a glass of water and drink some of it, the water will be inside me. If I move, leave or stay, the water will still be inside me. However, if I throw myself into a river, the river will be the one that takes me where it determines with its current. In the first case, the water is inside me, in the second case, I am in the water.

These are what I consider, as the two dimensions of the kingdom. In the first God is, but we still have much of ourselves and we try to govern the situations of life. In the second, we get lost in Him and no longer seek to govern anything, but let ourselves be carried away by His Spirit, understanding that the will of our Father is always good, pleasing, and perfect.

***"For all who are led by the Spirit of God,
these are children of God..."***

Romans 8:14

When we allow ourselves to be guided by the Holy Spirit, he leads us to all truth and justice, he leads us on the right path of life. This is the pure expression of the realm that the world needs to know. Not a religion full of rituals, fraught with hypocrisy and vanity.

***"I say, then: Walk in the Spirit,
and you do not satisfy the desires of the flesh.
For the desire of the flesh is against the Spirit,
and that of the Spirit is against the flesh; and they oppose***

among themselves, that you may not do what you would like."

Galatians 5:16 and 17

The most extraordinary thing about the kingdom is that it introduces us to the body of Christ, to the very life of his substance and that we become one with the Lord. **(1 Corinthians 6:17)** Jesus said it well to his disciples:

"I am the vine, you the branches; he who abides in me and I in him bears much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing"

John 15:5

I really love that: *apart from me you can do nothing...*" It is a phrase full of grace and love, because the Scriptures reveal to us a man useless to determine, a man who began with everything and has destroyed the world leading everything to total chaos.

*"There is not a righteous, not even one;
There is no one who understands,
There is no one who seeks God.
Everyone deviated,
one became useless;
There is no one who does good,
there is not even one"*

Romans 3:10-12

However, we find a God, who dies for us, who rises to give us a new life and who then puts us to live in Him so that we can do what we could not do before, so that we are not like Adam, who began with everything and ended with nothing, but like Christ, who was born with nothing and ended everything.

"I can do all things in Christ who strengthens me"
Philippians 4:13

Now we have no excuse. No matter how much we go wrong in life, no matter how much we have lost, we are now in Christ and we are more than overcomers for the one who loved us. (**Romans 8:37**). Such is the kingdom of children.



Chapter Eight

The Seven Keys of the Kingdom

"Jesus coming to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying: Who do men say is the Son of Man?"

They said: Some, John the Baptist; others, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets.

He told them: And you, who do you say I am?"

Answering Simon Peter, said: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Then Jesus answered him: Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah, for flesh and blood did not reveal it to you, but my Father who is in heaven.

And I also say to you, that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades they will not prevail against it.

And to you I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and all that you bind on earth will be bound in heaven; and whatever you untie on earth shall be unleashed in heaven."

Matthew 16:13-19

Jesus, along with his disciples, were arriving in the region of Caesarea Philippi, located north of the Sea of Galilee. The Lord Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem and the cross. But before He arrived, there were two things that His disciples had to be clear about, first, who He was and, second, what He was going to do.

Let us look at the Lord's first question. ***Who do men say is the Son of Man?*** No doubt He is still today, the most controversial person who has ever lived on earth. In this passage we will be able to hear the point of view of the multitudes that followed him. ***And they said: Some, John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; but others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.***

Some thought that Jesus was John the Baptist, that he had been a great man, and the people recognized him. In our time many people think that Jesus was a great teacher. At that time, there were also those who said that Jesus was Elijah, the prophet who had indeed been a great personage; there are also many people today who do not doubt the greatness of Jesus. They consider him a good person.

Others thought Jesus was Jeremiah the weeping prophet; and the people had seen Jesus weep. So those multitudes recognized his merit for being a great prophet. As you can see there was a great variety of views on the person of Jesus and these were the opinions of the ordinary people of that time, and certainly of ours as well.

Then the Lord Jesus turned to his disciples and questioned them, saying: ***And you, who do you say I am?*** Simon Peter was the group's spokesman to respond and told him: ***"You are the Christ"***, which means the Messiah, the Anointed One, the One who had been foretold in the Old Testament and the Lord Jesus was the fulfillment of those prophecies.

He also called him. ***"the Son of the living God"***. Up to that point I think it was the best confession and the highest tribute anyone could give to Jesus who responded, he said: ***"Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh or blood, but by my Father who is in heaven."***

Only the Holy Spirit can make Christ known to a person. No human being today can call Jesus "Lord" except through the Holy Spirit. Only the Spirit of God can take the things of Christ and reveal them to us. That is why Jesus said to Peter, this has not been revealed to you by any mortal.

Peter's confession, the result of that revelation received, liberated extraordinary concepts on Jesus' part. Concepts that even today remain the center of many controversial interpretations: ***"I also tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."***

Let's examine this verse carefully. On what rock did Jesus build His church? There are some who say that the

church was built on Simon Peter. Well, obviously not so, because there's a play on words here. In the original Greek, it says ***You are Petros*** which means a small piece of rock ***and about this Petra*** which means firm or solid rock, ***I will build my church.***

Others believe that Christ is building His church on the confession that Simon Peter made and in part it is fine, but that was much more than a simple confession, the essence of the revelation is that the Rock is Christ and that the church is built on Christ.

Roman Catholicism teaches that the church is built on Simon Peter himself and that papal authority is seated on the apostle's chair to this day. Actually, I think Peter would not agree very much with this, since he himself explains this in his first letter in chapter two, verse four, where he says: ***"Coming to Him as a living stone, discarded by men, but chosen and precious before God"***. And then he quoted the prophet Isaiah 28:16 who says, ***"Behold, I lay in Zion a chosen stone, a precious cornerstone, and whoever believes in Him will not be ashamed."*** That is, the church is built on Christ; He is the foundation.

The apostle Paul also refers to this in his first letter to the Corinthians 3:11: ***"No one can lay any other foundation than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ"***.

The church did not exist in the Old Testament and did not begin to exist until after the death, resurrection, ascension

of Christ, and the coming of the Holy Spirit. There could be no church until these events had taken place.

Then Jesus said that the gates of hell could not prevail against the church. He was referring directly to death. The Greek word used for hell is hades, which is equivalent to Hebrew *Sheol* of the Old Testament, which refers to the invisible world and means death. Therefore, the gates of death will not prevail against the church of Christ. Someday the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a powerful voice that will be like the voice of an archangel and like a trumpet, and the dead in Christ will be resurrected. Truly the gates of death will not triumph against His church.

After all this, which I was clearly to mention, to give context to the great theme of the keys, Jesus said:

"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and what you unleash on earth shall be unleashed in heaven."

What are the keys to the kingdom of heaven? Were they given only to Simon Peter or also to us? Well, Jesus gives the keys to all of us who make the same confession that Peter made; that we recognize Christ as Lord and that we receive spiritual revelation from the Kingdom.

God has given us keys, and those keys serve to open closed doors. God puts keys in our hands. The passage does not say the key, it says the keys of the Kingdom. It means

that it is not one, but many. I do not know what the size of your keychain is, but I am willing to go for all that is necessary for the consummation of the Divine purpose.

What is a key? It is every revelation that God gives us to open the closed doors. Doors mean access, but when they are closed, they mean limits. If we want to move forward without limits, we must know how to open any door that opposes our progress.

A while back, I arrived from a trip a couple of hours ahead of schedule. I hadn't called my wife to let her know and I didn't know she was in a nearby town, where she had taken her mother for a medical check-up. That wouldn't be strange, or problematic, except that she had the keys to the house and I didn't.

I arrived tired from the trip, I wanted to shower, I wanted to eat something and rest. All that was only a few steps away, inside my house, however, not having the key I could not access anything and I could not, until my wife did not return with the precious keys. How many times can the same thing happen to us in the spiritual world? How many times are we near and far at the same time?

The keys were a hallmark of authority from the office of the scribes, who interpreted the Scriptures to the people, and we can see them acting in the book of Nehemiah 8:8 where it says that *they read in the book of God's law clearly,*

and they made sense of it, so that they understood the reading.

I certainly believe that those of us who have the privilege of communicating the true message of the Kingdom are like locksmiths who take keys to the Scriptures and give them to all those who wish to receive them with sincere heart. If we do not do so responsibly, the Lord Himself will exhort us, because He is the first interested in everyone entering into greater and better dimensions of life.

Jesus confronted the scribes and Pharisees of his day for not using the keys responsibly. He told them: *"But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye close the kingdom of heaven before men; for neither do you enter, nor do you let in those who are entering."*

All of us as Christians today have the Holy Scriptures and therefore also have access to the keys of the Kingdom. We should not hold a preacher responsible for our entry into new dimensions, but we must know how to study and who to listen to.

1) The key to revelation:

"Verily I say unto you, if ye do not turn and become like children, you shall never enter the kingdom of heaven"

Matthew 18:3

There are brethren who have asked me how they should do to receive revelation from the Word. I always answer them that revelation is not something that we preachers can give, when I say that we are like locksmiths who grant keys, it is because the Word of God always has the potential of revelation, but in the end if the Holy Spirit does not do his work, no one can be enlightened.

I also tell you that no one can obtain revelation from the Word on personal merit. We can pray that the Lord in His infinite grace will grant us to understand His Scriptures, but there is no method, school, or institute that can teach us to obtain revelation. That is why it is so valuable to gain supernatural understanding.

The revelation of the Christ, opened the door of the Kingdom and in our walk with Him, the keychain will be enlarged, hopefully we can be like building porters who carry on their waist a huge keychain full of keys that provide access to the entire building. May we be passionate Christians in search of everything.

If God's grace fills us with keys, we must share them, because if we shut up or hide the Word, it is as if we "attack on earth"; if we communicate, if we proclaim the Word, it is as if we "untie on earth." No particular human being or church holds the keys to the exclusion of all other believers.

We have a responsibility today to proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom because it is the only message that can save

people. May God open the understanding of his elect to the ends of the earth.

2) The Key to Faith:

When a Word is revealed, the first thing it produces is faith, because faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. Without faith it is impossible to please God and with it, we not only please Him, but we can move forward. When there is faith there is no door that resists, because for those who believe everything is possible.

In the case of Jericho the strategy was to surround the city for six days, and on the seventh day to surround it seven times. But they had to be silent as they marched. Throughout his pilgrimage the people of Israel had murmured, but this time he was to remain silent. And the only thing you would hear would be the sound of the horns.

Every time we find ourselves in front of a closed door we have to apply the strategy silently. We must not complain, we must not murmur, or argue with God. We must apply the key silently.

Now, if we have such a great God, why are there closed doors? Actually, it is because God is forming in us conquerors. That is why there are closed doors, because God wants us to be conquerors of closed doors.

He never told us that all the doors were going to be open, but he would give us the keys. The problem is that we want to always use the same key. Always the same strategy, and we do that because it works for others, but that's no guarantee that it will work for us. Many times in the Kingdom the keys are personalized.

The Lord gives us different keys, that means, God has given us many strategies, one for each door. If we seek we will find new strategies to open the doors that are closed, we must not be discouraged, but open our ears and heart to be filled with faith by hearing the voice of the Father.

3) The key to maturity:

"Jesus answered and said to him, Truly, truly, I tell you that unless one is born again one cannot see the kingdom of God. Jesus answered: Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."

John 3:3 and 5

Being born spiritually allows us to see and allows us to enter the Kingdom, but as in natural life, spiritual development and maturity, it allows us to see much more and enter into greater depths of spiritual realities.

Spiritual maturity requires a radical reordering of our priorities, shifting from pleasing ourselves to pleasing God and learning to obey Him. The key to maturity is consistency

and perseverance in doing those things that we know bring us closer to God. These practices are known as the spiritual disciplines and include such things as Bible reading and study, prayer, fellowship with brethren, service, and administration. Even no matter how hard we might work on it, nothing would be possible without the activation of the Holy Spirit within us.

Maturity manifests itself responsibly. If we have an immature son, who is irresponsible, who does not obey our most basic orders, we would not give him the keys to the house, much less those of the car. But if we have a responsible, applied and mature child, then we will give him access to many privileges.

The same thing happens to us with God. We are children and we are entitled to certain privileges, however, we cannot access them, if we do not manifest spiritual maturity. Jesus at the age of twelve, said that it was necessary for him to be in the Father's business, however, it was at thirty that he was baptized and the Father from heaven supported his ministry.

Paul said that the mysteries of the Kingdom were imparted to those who had reached maturity. **(1 Corinthians 2:6)** These mysteries are the keys that God will give us to enter new dimensions of government.

4) The key to integrity:

"And this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor corruption inherit incorruption"

1 Corinthians 15:50

Integrity is the ground where our words and our walk meet. People hear our words, but they follow in our footsteps. Therefore, the way we live and our actions are what will lead the way and serve as an example to those who come behind.

Hebrew or Greek words related to integrity share the primary meaning of what is "complete" or "whole." Many people are unaware of everything that the concept of integrity encompasses. There are politicians, for example, who presume to be upright, meaning that they are honest. And of course, honesty is important, but it's only part of integrity.

The whole person is the one who leads an impeccable life, the one who acts with moral integrity. In fact, another of the meanings related to the word integrity are "intact", "without blemish or defect". And one of these Hebrew terms is used to refer to the animals that were offered to God in sacrifice and for Him to accept them, they had to be healthy and without defects. (**Leviticus 22:19 and 20**). Hence God so strongly condemned those who disobeyed that standard and offered lame, sick, or blind animals. (**Malachi 1:6-8**).

Those sacrifices offered by the priests at the altar, opened the way to the presence of the Lord, were like a key

to enter the holy place and the most holy place. So also today, our integrity is a key to intimate communion with the Lord.

5) The key to dependency:

***"Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and not in your own intelligence.
Recognize it in all your ways,
and he will pave your paths."***
Proverbs 3:5 and 6 NIV

As always, Jesus is our standard of life. He was fully man without losing his deity and as a man he is our total example. In fact, He is still a man. (**1 Timothy 2:5**). Let's think about his life. What does the Bible tell us about Jesus' human nature? We can summarize the early years of Jesus, Luke says: ***"And the child grew and strengthened, and was filled with wisdom; and God's grace was upon Him. And Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature, and in grace toward God and men."*** (Luke 2:40,52). That sounds very human and certainly exemplary to us.

Then, we find him performing a ministry filled with wonderful words, deeds, and miracles. How did Jesus give an explanation for his admirable behavior? Everything he did he learned from his Father (**John 8:28**). He declared that the Father was in Him (**John 10:37 and 38**). He didn't even act on his own. (**John 12:49 and 50**). There is no doubt that, in these passages, Jesus clearly stated that his words and actions were the product of a relationship dependent on the Father.

This is how He teaches us how we should live true Kingdom life. (**John 17:22 and 23**). What the Lord Jesus really wanted was to show his dependence and communion with the Father as the source of love, power, and authority.

He said: *"I am the door"* (John 10:9). He is access to all that God has for our lives and His dependence is the key to abiding in Him and operating in His Divine person.

"I am the vine, you the branches; he who abides in me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:5

6) The key to justice:

"More seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you"

Matthew 6:33

When we speak of Kingdom, the first verse that comes to mind is this one from Matthew six thirty-three, where Kingdom and righteousness are placed together as triggers for all things.

Seeking and walking in righteousness is an absolute key to opening new dimensions of blessing. Isaiah 3:10 says, *"Tell the righteous that he will do well, for he will eat from the fruits of his hands"*. It is sometimes believed that, just

by going to congregate from time to time, having some Bible in the house, and singing some spiritual songs, it is enough to enter a Kingdom life. But God is more demanding and examines the heart, and He knows the heart of the just and the heart of the unjust. That is why it is necessary for us to reflect on our lives and allow the Holy Spirit to examine our hearts if we are walking in righteousness or correct us so that we can do so righteously.

The righteous life will always open doors of blessing for us. Isaiah himself said: "***Open the doors and the righteous people will enter, guardian of truths***" (26: 2)

The righteous are those who have a right position before God. Thanks to Christ we can all be righteous in god's presence and boldly make our requests known to him, if we have accepted his sacrifice.

The righteous are brave as the lion. The righteous are those who have and occupy the Kingdom of Heaven or take up residence in it. The Bible says that the righteous shine in their Father's Kingdom. Light and joy shine in his path. They may have many afflictions, but God delivers them from all of them.

The righteous have the mind of Christ. His thoughts are righteous and pure. They have a sober mind. They do not affirm or trust in their own righteousness, but live under the imputed righteousness of Christ. They are open to the correction of the Lord and His ministers. They receive wise counsel and apply it to their lives.

The righteous are immovable and unable to be uprooted from their position in God. Your house will remain. Your children will be saved, blessed, and will have an abundance of food. They will flourish and will not be overthrown by the enemy. Discouragement, doubt or depression will not make them deviate. The righteous are sure that God will come and save you.

"For I say to you, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law."

Matthew 5:20

Why does Jesus exhort you to be more righteous than the Pharisees and teachers of the law? Well, it's simply because they believed themselves righteous by their own works, believed themselves wise by their knowledge, and believed themselves worthy by their position. However, Jesus broke all that down by saying that those good intentions are full of hypocrisy and are sin.

If we want to walk in righteousness to live a true Life of Kingdom and for the doors of every blessing to be opened to us, we must abide in Christ and know that righteousness is bestowed upon Him. Jesus Christ is the righteous man, we live in Him, we move and we are (**Acts 17:28**). But what about this passage from Matthew:

"Not everyone who says to me Lord, Lord will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father. who is in heaven"

Matthew 7:21

Well, it seems like it's a clear call to act just and that's fine. We must perform works because faith without works is dead. But we must not do them with our strength and abilities, we must do them in the power of His Spirit and according to His will. If we act in His righteousness, the doors will open.

7) The key to planting:

It is interesting that the Word mentions that God cannot be mocked and does so in the context of sowing and reaping.

"Do not deceive yourselves; God cannot be mocked: for all that man shall sow, that will also reap."

Galatians 6:7

Perhaps, as many people may think that sowing is a very personal thing, however, I think that from this passage we must be careful because: Who wants to mock God?

This occurs because everything we can sow is given to us by the Lord and if we do not sow what He gave us to sow, or want to reap what we do not sow, it is like mocking Him.

When I refer to planting, I am not only considering money. I know it's the first thing that comes to mind, but I'm not just referring to that our effort is a seed, our actions are seeds, our words are seeds, our faith is a seed, everything that has spiritual life, has the potential of a seed.

Sowing is so good that God recommends that we do it at all times. We must sow at all times according to the word.

"In the morning sow your seed, and in the evening do not let your hand rest; because you don't know what is best, if this or that, or if one and the other is equally good."

Ecclesiastes 11.6

Imagine how important our sowing is to God, which says the word that He will never remember our sin again, but Will always remember our offerings. God is always remembering our sowings.

Every seed will produce a harvest according to its gender, which is why the power of sowing is so broad. Jesus sowed Himself as the Son of God and reaped millions of children throughout the world.

Sowing is a key that unlocks the power of multiplication. If someone has saved seeds, they will only remain seeds, but if you sow them in the ground, the power of multiplication will automatically open up.

The sowing is so powerful that the Kingdom expands by its power, so the Lord sends us to sow us, as Jesus did and the world will be filled with the Glory of the Kingdom.

"The field is the world. The good seed is the children of the kingdom, and the tares are the children of the evil one."

Matthew 13:38

In this chapter I have included about seven keys of the Kingdom, but there are many more, about which I could write another book exclusively and believe me that I will consider it as a true future project.



Chapter Nine

The Facts of the Kingdom

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

I have not intended in this book to write everything about the kingdom, in fact, I only focused on the essence of what the kingdom should mean for us as Christians today. I reiterate that I am perplexed by so many people confused about this matter.

Some say that the kingdom will be upon entering heaven, after death. Others that we will live it from the coming of Christ or in the so-called millennium, others that it is already operating throughout the world and that the church is in the plan of world conquest. Honestly, I see all this as much simpler and clearer about Scripture.

The kingdom was established by God in the beginning, Adam, his assigned man failed because of sin and thereafter, the kingdom was announced and lived without fullness by

some men and women of faith. John the Baptist began to announce it and Christ came to establish it again, showing how it can be lived and dying to transfer us to that dimension.

He did it perfectly and taught about the only way possible for us: Born again and living in communion with God. Letting ourselves rule from our hearts through the work of His Holy Spirit and expressing the facts with our obedience.

Christ died on the cross and rose again on the third day. When He died, we died in Him and when He was resurrected, we also died for new life. That is the proposal of its design and that is our faith.

"For if we were planted together with him in the likeness of his death, so shall we be so in that of his resurrection; Knowing this, that our old man was crucified together with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that we might no longer serve sin. For he who has died has been justified from sin. And if we die with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him."

Romans 6:5-8

The world is not living kingdom, the whole world is under the power of the evil one (**1 John 5:19**). The church lives kingdom because we have a God who is our King and we desire Him to rule us. Jesus taught us that He did the Will of the Father, at all times, and He taught us to pray for the same for us.

***"Come your kingdom. Thy will be done,
as in heaven, so also on earth."***

Matthew 6:10

The kingdom is perfect in heaven and it will also be perfect on earth. Now it is only manifesting in, and from our hearts, as children, ambassadors and heirs.

***"The Lord will reign over all the earth.
In that day the Lord will be the only God,
and his name shall be the only name"***

Zechariah 14:9 NIV

The church is not going to conquer the world, let alone the governmental systems of the world. These are perverse and will never be redeemed. The church lives under spiritual rule and exercises its authority from that realm.

The church will have to overcome all external pressure from diabolical systems and the fatal attempt at the new world order. However, we have the promises and the certainty that we will overcome all pressure and we will faithfully await the coming of our King.

As the King comes, we must advance manifesting kingdom from our spirit and in every assigned realm, that is, marriage, children, family in general, friendships, work, goods, etc.

If we walk in faithfulness, neither darkness, nor pressures, nor death, nor absolutely anything can prevent the advance of the kingdom to fullness. Our King is already in our hearts, he already reigns in his church and he will come to the whole world and reign in all his creation.

*"I live, says the Lord, that before me every knee will bow,
and every tongue will confess God"*

Romans 14:11

Finally, I would like to list some fundamental facts of the kingdom that reveal the principles by which the kingdom manifests itself among us.

1) God's original plan in creation was to extend His heavenly Kingdom upon the earth. His plan will not fail, as nothing God does fails. The world will not end up destroyed, let alone in satan's hands. The earth will be redeemed and as a new earth, it will be filled with the glory of God.

2) God's purpose was to establish a family of children, not servants. When God's Plan Was Kept Secret for Centuries, Apostle Paul Says (**Ephesians 3:9**). It was because God had collaborators, but not children, and the kingdom must be inherited by children, not by servants. Christ made possible the birth of children so He established the kingdom and we must manifest it.

3) God's purpose was to establish His government on earth, since this is His creation and He never considered creating

any new religion to achieve it. Religions are human designs in which Satan has moved. God desires to have fellowship with His children and for us to willingly accept His lordship.

4) God's purpose and intention was to rule over the visible from the invisible, that is, to govern the natural, from the spiritual dimension. God is Spirit and everything created has its origin in the spiritual, so the great power of the church is on that plane. Jesus said the kingdom was not of this world (**John 18:36**).

5) Human beings were created to exercise dominion over the earth and over all creatures, but God never mentioned his desire for man to rule over other people. The great problem of the world is that intrinsically man knows that he must live under government and govern. The problem is that he submits to the rule of other men or tries to lord it over some and none of that has to do with divine design.

6) God gave us government over the earth, not its property. We do not own the land, we are administrators of it, for this reason, we must take care of it and let it rest. In the new version of Romans 8:20 and 21 it says: *"But the world still has hope of being freed from its destruction. He hopes to share the wonderful freedom of God's children."*

7) God can do anything because He is Almighty, yet because He has given us authority, He has limited His action on earth, waiting for the cry of His church. We must abandon the

passive attitude of waiting and we must act in faith so that the kingdom of God can be manifested everywhere.

8) The Gospel of the Kingdom is good news. It is not a message of threat or intimidation, it is a message sent by the Father to all his sons telling them that they can return home, that the kingdom has come and that once again, as at the beginning, they can be sons and daughters in full right. It is the message of an eternal inheritance, of life and possession.

9) God's purpose for us is for us to rule over the order of creation as children, but to do so under His perfect will and not as it occurs to us. The kingdom is only kingdom, when it expresses God's pleasing, perfect goodwill, not our own. This should always be clear, because today, many pray and act as if commanding God to do what they want, but the kingdom is the other way around.

10) The kingdom of God on earth is God's government within the hearts and spirits of believers and the kingdom of heaven acts when that leadership impacts the human earthly environment.

11) The kingdom of God is a kingdom of light, the light of the lord's knowledge and will. One of the translations from the original Hebrew of the word darkness is ignorance and the antidote to ignorance is understanding. In the kingdom, knowledge comes through life and life is the light of men. **(John 1:4).**

12) The kingdom is manifested through the truth (Christ) and is composed of children who are not only seekers of the truth, but also doers of it. (**James 1:22**). Truth is not theological concepts, but the life of the Lord. The religious are filled with knowledge, but they do not manage to live the true life, so they are parishioners, but not citizens of the kingdom.

13) Democracy is not part of the kingdom's government. We cannot be effective citizens of the kingdom of God and continue to think democratically. That is, democracy is not bad, but it is the political system that defends the sovereignty of the people and the right of the people to elect and control their rulers. It is clear that this is not the divine design.

14) The end of this age of human rule, which has caused the current chaos, will come when the gospel of the kingdom has been preached throughout the world. (**Matthew 24:14**) thus, we can affirm, that the specific hour of Christ's return is in the hands of the Father, but the general time of expansion is in ours.

15) The kingdom of heaven is true justice, it is true peace and inner joy. (**Romans 14:17**). People everywhere are looking for these things, even if they do not recognize their need with the name of kingdom, we can be sure that the fields are ready for harvest. We just have to make sure we are preaching the gospel of the kingdom and not something else.

16) As God's reborn children we belong to Him and He can claim us in a way that no one else can. In matters of the spirit,

God demands of us an absolute surrender, He does not want ninety percent of us, He wants one hundred percent of our whole being. This could be suffocating if it were a mortal person, but when it comes to God, it is a privilege.

17) Jesus' mission was to reintroduce the kingdom. By living according to the Father's will at all times, He taught us how to live. When he died he did it in our place. His blood cleansed us and connected us again with the Father. When He was resurrected, He did so that we could have a new life and when He ascended us He positioned Himself to make way for us, take us to the throne and intercede for us. Of course, before He did, He imparted His Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Tremendous design is the realm Right?

18) Being born again is the way to enter the kingdom and the first necessary step. But the gospel of the kingdom is much more than being born so as not to lose us. The kingdom is to mature to rule (**Galatians 4:1-7**).

19) As citizens of a new spiritual order, we are greater than those old covenant men and women who came before us, not because of any personal merit, but because the blood of Christ cleansed us to be indwellings of the Holy Spirit, while all the heroes of the old covenant faith lived and acted with a God outside of them. They had a relationship with God manifested in an ark, on a rod, on a mountain, in a tabernacle, in the hair, or in a mantle, but none of them was the temple of the Holy Spirit.

20) The kingdom of heaven always advances suffering violence, because it is always attacked. (**Matthew 11:12**). This passage was always interpreted to mean that God's children had to be violent to move forward, but in reality the passage does not say that. On the contrary, these verses say that the violent intend to prevent God from ruling and Jesus referred to the religious who attacked him so much. There is nothing more violent to the kingdom than religiosity, so we must be careful not to act under those influences.

21) Today people live concerned about their personal issues, but we as ambassadors of the kingdom should be focused only on the interests of our King. If we do so, He guarantees us that He will take care of our interests on earth.

22) The kingdom of heaven belongs to us as a legal right, it has nothing to do with the emotional. We are children of God and co-heirs with Christ. Today we live the ravages of this inheritance, that is why it is likely that we will go through many difficulties, however, an incorruptible inheritance awaits us and that is why we must mature to enjoy the rights of today and to live in the fullness of faith, knowing what will come.

23) As citizens of the kingdom we can count on all the resources necessary to help us live in victory and fulfill the eternal purpose we have in Christ. There are Christians who get frustrated, because they want things and can't get them. Then they doubt if faith works, but in reality what happens, is that none of their desires is linked to the kingdom,

therefore, they do not use the legal right they only try to achieve their desires by emotion, but that is not how the kingdom works.

24) On earth, government laws permanently change political debates never cease, however, in the kingdom of God the same does not happen, since it is founded on principles that are eternal, therefore, they never fade or change. This is wonderful because it allows us stability and eternal projection. In today's society, there is so much insecurity that every project is short-term, because you never know what will happen tomorrow, but in the kingdom there is stability.

25) The key to the effective manifestation of the kingdom on earth is deep and permanent communion with the Holy Spirit. This wonderful person is the one who convinces us, guides us, warns us, and reveals to us the perfect will of the Father at all times.

26) Faith without works is dead, therefore, it must be managed, the willingness and wisdom to do it correctly, depends on the spiritual revelation and training we have in the mentality and culture of the kingdom.

27) As real children of our heavenly Father, we must take control of our circumstances instead of being enslaved by them. There are people who do not know very well how the kingdom manifests itself through us, therefore, they pray and then expect God to do something. However, this does not

work so we must be governed to govern and that implies spiritual wisdom and management power.

28) When we are introduced to kingdom life and delivered from oppression and demonic rule, we are positioned in Christ. We must exercise our authority and know that the devil was defeated on the cross of Calvary. Before we were under his yoke because of fallen nature, but now we have a redeemed nature. In any case, we must not ignore the machinations of the devil and we must not give him any right of operation in our lives.

29) Everything we see in the physical world has a corresponding reality in the spiritual world. (**Hebrews 11:3**). That spiritual reality is transcendent, so the children of the kingdom must see all things spiritually. That does not imply being mystical or weird, on the contrary, spirituality means being normal but understood, simple but deep, humble but wise.

30) The spiritual government we must exercise is about protecting the interests of our Father, about exercising our authority over what we possess and about claiming all that is due to us, for the legal right we have living in Christ, for being children of God, for being heirs and ambassadors of the kingdom, for being kings and priests of God the Father.

***"How beautiful they are, on the mountains,
the feet of the one who brings good news;
of the one who proclaims peace,***

*of the one who announces good news,
of him who proclaims salvation,
of the one who says to Zion: Your God reigns!"*
Isaiah 52:7 NIV

Finally, we live kingdom, but the world does not yet. We live it in the advance that the Father has given us in his sole power, but we will receive it and live it with all fullness.

The definitive establishment of the kingdom of God requires that all enemies be eliminated beforehand, including, of course, sin and also death. (**1 Corinthians 15:26 and Revelation 20:14**) which is its direct consequence (**Romans 6:23**). Only when sin, death, and Satan are destroyed can God's redeemed fully enjoy the perfect blessings of His kingdom. After all, that is what Christ accomplished through His death on the cross. (**Hebrews 2:14 and 15**).

On the other hand, the resurrection of believers will give us a new spiritual body that will be the perfect vehicle for the new creation. The resurrection of Christ guarantees that of all those who believe in him, that is our wonderful hope, that is why Paul expressed wanting to be like Him in his death. (**Philippians 3:10**).

Then, at the Great White Throne Trial (**Revelation 20:11-15**) All men who have not wanted to believe in Christ will have to appear.

"And I saw a great white throne and the one who was seated on it, from before which the earth and heaven fled, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before God; and the books were opened, and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged by the things which were written in the books, according to their works."

Revelation 20:11 and 12

There, those who so ignored the gospel of the kingdom will realize that the one who will judge them will be Jesus, the same one whom men rejected and did not want to accept as their King.

"For the Father judges no one, but all judgment gave to the Son, that all may honor the Son as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him."

John 5:22 and 23

Today, the Lord continues to be rejected by the vast majority of this world, his gospel continues to be despised, his rights ignored, and his commandments trampled underfoot. People continue to kick you out of their lives, their society, and their world. Now just as they did two thousand years ago the world is still screaming: ***"we don't want it to reign over us"*** (Luke 19:14). But this will end when He sits down to judge this world. Many do not believe that this will happen, but it will.

Then, the land that currently manifests all its sinfulness will be ruled by God and justice will finally triumph. But even more; all the wickedness of men who have lived in this world, and who apparently succeeded in circumventing divine justice, will also receive the just retribution for their sins, so that the righteousness of God may be freed from any shadow of doubt.

Even the angels who rebelled against God, they too will be judged. (**2 Peter 2:4 and Jude 1:6**) and we as sons of the king, will also take part in that judgment. (**1 Corinthians 6:3**).

Finally a transformation in the physical order of such magnitude will take place that the Bible describes it as new heavens and new earth.

***"For behold, I will create new heavens and new earth;
and of the former there will be no memory,
no more will come to thought"***

Isaiah 65:17

***"I saw a new heaven and a new earth;
for the first heaven and the first earth passed,
and the sea no longer existed"***

Revelation 21:1

The new creation will be free from the curse of sin and the tendency to deteriorate. Be ***"new heavens and new earth,***

in which righteousness dwells" (2 Peter 3:13). All evil will have disappeared and in its place this world will once again manifest the glory and holiness of God.

This world will not end up in the hands of Satan and we living on a cloud as many think, our redemption and that of creation will be complete and we will live in that fullness eternally. We will do so because of Jesus Christ and His redemptive work, the wonderful Holy Spirit who intervened in everything, and the Father who simply loved us.

*"My God, your love is incomparable!
Under your protective shadow we all find refuge.
With the abundance of your house you leave us satisfied;
in your river of blessings you quench our thirst.
Only in you is the source of life,
and only in your presence can we see the light."*

Psalm 36:7-9



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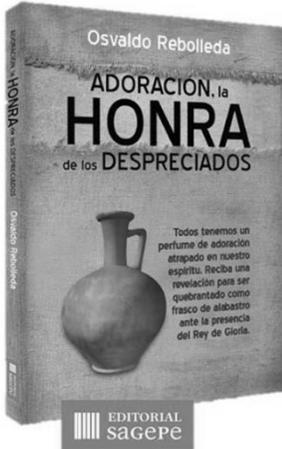
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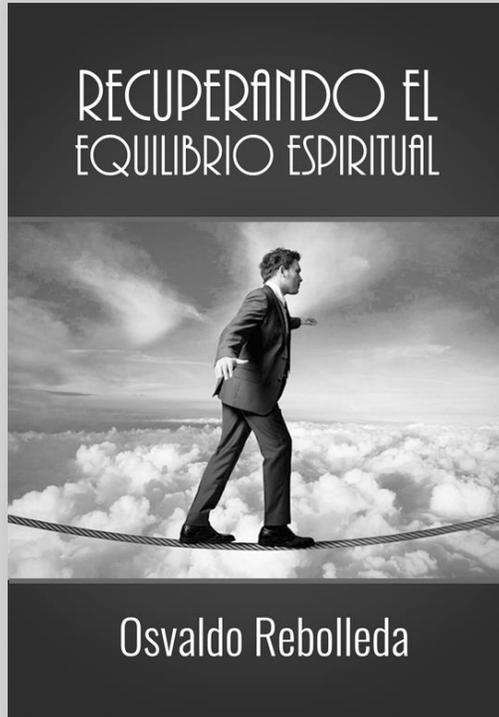
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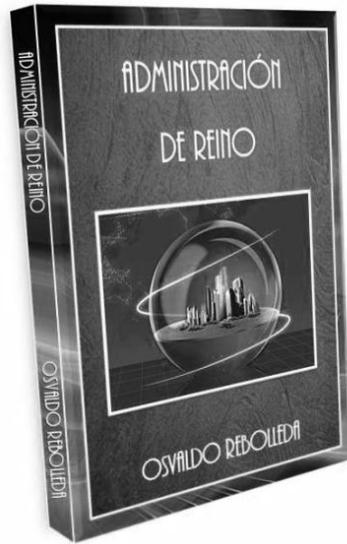
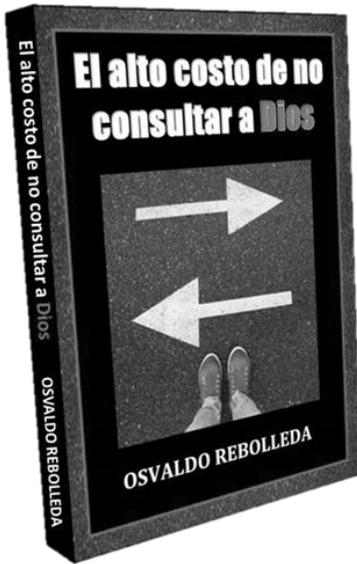
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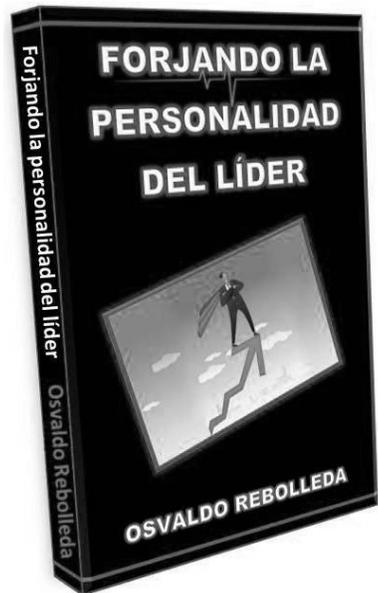
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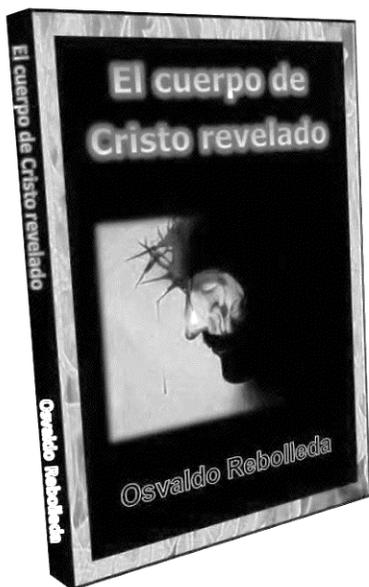


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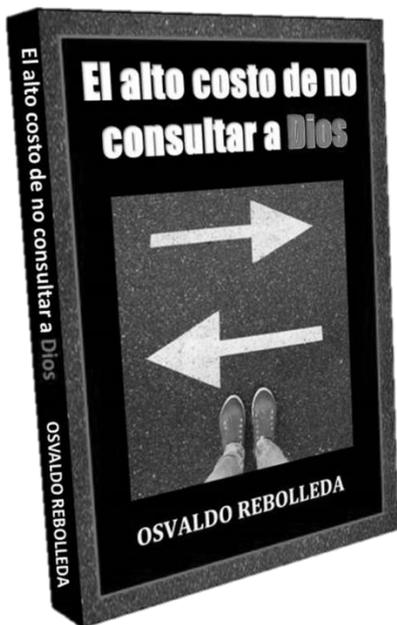


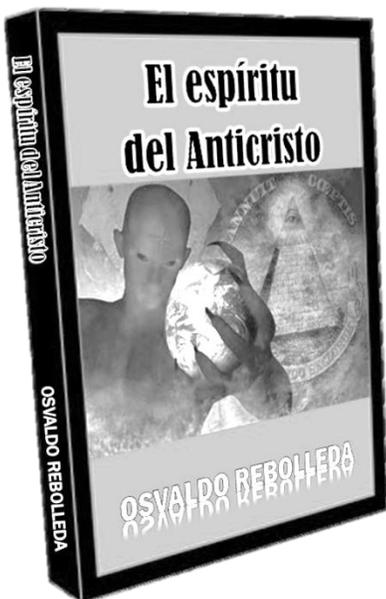
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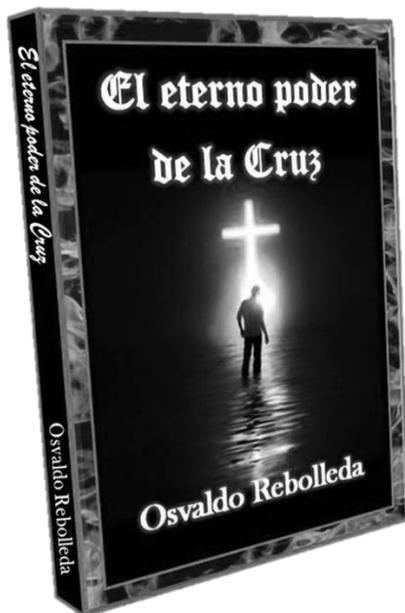
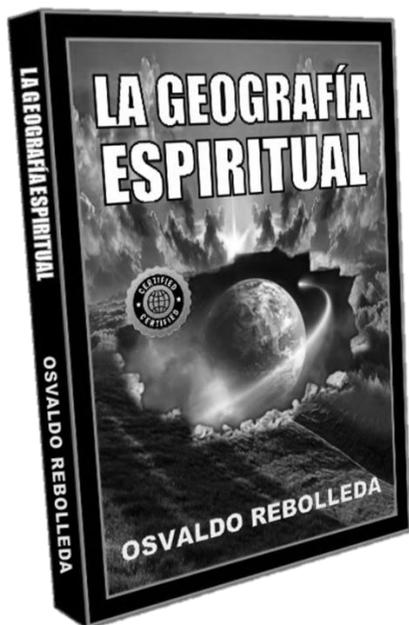


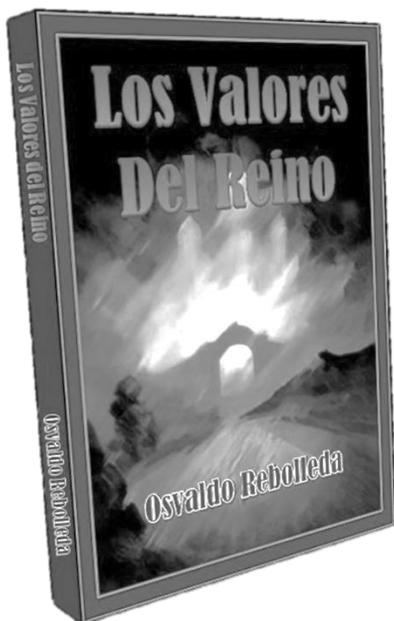
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