

## THE COMING OF THE KINGDOM

In this study you will see the continuity of the Old and New Testaments.

**Questions:** What is the Kingdom of God?

When did it come?

### OLD TESTAMENT PREDICTIONS OF THE KINGDOM

(The height of Israel's glory was under the kingship of David approximately 1000 B.C.)

#### Timeline:

##### 1. **Isaiah 2:1-4** (750 B.C.)

- A. Last days
- B. Mountains (Symbolizes kingdoms):
  - a. Mountain of the Lord,
  - b. chief of the mountains
- C. All Nations
- D. Jerusalem

##### 2. **Daniel 2:31-45** (550 B.C.)

- A. Daniel interprets Nebuchadnezzar's dream
- B. Empires
  - i. **Gold**—Babylonian:
  - ii. **Silver**—Medo-Persian:
  - iii. **Bronze**—Alexander the Great:
  - iv. **Iron** (iron and clay)—Roman:
- C. Rock—cut out not by human hands (God)
- D. Rock becomes huge mountain
  - a. filled the whole earth
- E. Kingdom that will never be destroyed (v. 44)

#### New Testament Predictions of the Kingdom

##### 1. John the Baptist (25 A.D.)

- A. Kingdom is near (**Matthew 3:1-6**)

##### 2. Jesus preached

- A. Kingdom is near (**Matthew 4:17**)
- B. Jesus started preaching (26 A.D.)



3. Kingdom will come in the lifetime of some of the disciples

(**Mark 9:1**)

4. After Jesus was raised, the Kingdom had still not come

(**Acts 1:6-8**)

5. Kingdom will come with power (**Mark 9:1**)

6. Kingdom entered by new birth (**John 3:1-7**)

A. Can't see the kingdom

B. Can't enter the kingdom

7. Kingdom is within you—or among you. (**Luke 17:20-21**)

8. Peter has the keys. (**Matthew 16:13-19**)

a. Church and the Kingdom are the same

b. and will be built on the truth

c. That Jesus is the Christ. (**1 Corinthians 3:11**)

9. Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached

a. first in Jerusalem

b. to all nations. (**Luke 24:44-49**)

### **Fulfillment of the Old and New Testament Predictions—Acts 1-2 (33 A.D.)**

1. Last days—

**Isaiah 2:2**

a. (**Acts 2:17**)

2. All nations—**Isaiah 2:2**

a. (**Acts 2:5**)

3. Jerusalem—**Isaiah 2:3**

a. (**Luke 24:47, Acts 2:5**)

4. Eternal kingdom—**Daniel 2:31-45**

a. (**Luke 24:44-49, Acts 2:37-42**)

5. Date of coming approximately

a. 1. Old Testament prophecy

b. 2. John the Baptist— “is near” (**Matthew 3:1-2**)

c. 3. Jesus— “is near” (**Matthew 4:17**)

d. 33 A.D. (**Acts 1-2**)

6. Lifetime—**Mark 9:1**

a. (**Acts 2:14**)

b. 2. “Some” – Judas died (**Acts 1:18-19**)

7. Power—**Mark 9:1**
  - a. (**Acts 1:8, Acts 2:1-4**)
8. New birth—Water and Spirit (**John 3:1-7**)
  - a. (**Acts 2:38**)
9. Kingdom within—**Luke 17:20-21**
  - a. (**Acts 2:37**)
10. Peter with the keys—**Matthew 16:19**
  - a. (**Acts 2:14, 38**)
11. Repentance and forgiveness of sin—**Luke 24:44-49**
  - a. (**Acts 2:38**)

## CONCLUSION

1. The church is the kingdom of God
  - a. on earth established
  - b. in approximately 33 A.D.
2. **Acts 2:42**—As citizens of the kingdom and members of the body (the church),
3. We must be devoted to:
  - a. Doctrine
  - b. Fellowship
  - c. Breaking Bread
  - d. Prayer
4. **Matthew 6:33**—We must seek His kingdom first.
  - a. Ask them to commit themselves to at least a Sunday church service.
  - b. Soul Talk
  - c. Any other future church activity that may arise