

Our Father...

#3 Your Kingdom Come (ESV)

Matthew 6:9-13 (KJV) After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, **Hallowed be thy name.** ¹⁰ Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

What is God's Kingdom?

1. It is the total influence of God's **PRESENCE, PURPOSE** and **PLANS**.
 - a. **Isaiah 46:9-10** ...for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose!
 - b. God's presence is **EVERYWHERE**
Psalms 139:7 Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?
 - c. God's purpose is to display **HIS GLORY**
Isaiah 42:8 I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.
Isaiah 43:7, Isaiah 48:11
Ezekiel 39:21 And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them
 - d. God's plan **THE GOSPEL**
Acts 4:12 And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved
2. It is a life totally influenced by and an expression of the **NATURE, CHARACTER** and **PERSONALITY** of God.
 - a. **Numbers 14:18,20-21** 'The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation...²⁰ Then the LORD said, "I have pardoned, according to your word. ²¹ But truly, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD,
 - b. **1 John 1:8**

The Five Stages of God's Kingdom

1. God's Kingdom **PRE-CREATION**
 - a. **Genesis 1:1** In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
 - b. **Psalms 90:2** Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
2. God's Kingdom in **THE PAST**
 - a. **Exodus 19:3-6** ...you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶ and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."
3. God's Kingdom in **THE PRESENT**
 - a. **Hebrews 1:1-2** Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world
 - b. **Matthew 4:17** From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
 - c. **John 18:36 - 37**
4. God's Kingdom on **PLANET EARTH**
 - a. **Revelation 19:11** Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.
 - b. **Revelation 20:1 - 3**
5. God's Kingdom in **ETERNAL PRESENT**
 - a. **Revelation 21:1** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more...
 - b. **2 Peter 3:10,13** But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed...¹³ But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

ARE YOU LONGING FOR GOD'S KINGDOM TODAY?