

# The Kingdom And The King

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Luke 17:20-37

Intro. [A.] Jesus was on His way to the Holy City, Jerusalem.

17: 11 [1. (Holy sites and Holy places always cause trouble)

↓ [2. As He went, He passed through the midst of Samarit + Galilee.

↓ [3. As He entered a certain village, ten lepers met Him.

18 [4. Only one, a stranger, turned back to thank Him.

Vs. 19 [5. Jesus pronounced him whole because he had faith.

[B.] Following this miracle, the Pharisees questioned Him.

Vs. 20 [1. "demanded" = ἐπερωτάω = "to question", "ask specifically".

[2. "When will the Kingdom of God come?"

## I. Jesus Answers Their Specific Question.

[A.] "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation."

Vs. 20 [1. παρατήρησις = "an observing beside or near",

"close watching", "accurate watching", "constant observation",

"to have an eye near", "to watch closely with superstitious or sinister intent".

[2. Watching for the kingdom of God with a superstitious mind or sinister intentions will not bring it into being.

[B.] Why was this true for the Pharisees?

Vs. 21a [1. They would exclaim, "Here it is", or "There it is!"

Vs. 21b [2. Why? Because the Kingdom of God was among or in the very midst of them.

## II. Jesus Explained How The Kingdom Would Come To His Disciples.

[A.] They would long for the time spent with Jesus.

Vs. 22 [1. "desire" = ἐπιθυμέω = "to fix the desire upon"

#### IV. Jesus Warned The Double-Hearted. ☺

A. The people living then should look only to the future.

Vs. 31 1. They should not look back.

Vs. 32 2. "Remember Lot's Wife". Gen. 19:26.

Vs. 33 3. The past cannot be salvaged.

B. It would be a time of division.

Vs. 34 1. Two men would be in one bed.

Vs. 35 2. Two women would be grinding.

Vs. 36 3. Two men would be in the field.

#### V. Where Would Those Who Are Taken Be?

A. "Where Lord"?

Vs. 37a 1. This was a pertinent question.

2. They were interested in the "taken" not the "left".

B. Jesus seems to have quoted scripture.

Vs. 37b 1. "Where soever the body is... 'carcasse'"

2. Job 39:27-30 (633)

#### VI. Where Are We Who Live Today?

A. Jesus did not establish His Kingdom.

1. The Jews Rejected Him.

Matt. 21:43 2. The Jews were Replaced.

Luke 21:22 3. Their rejection of Jesus was punished.

B. We, the church, are His Kingdom workers.

I Thess. 4:15-17 1. If we are dead when He comes, we will be Raised.

2. If we are alive, we shall be changed.

3. He will establish His Kingdom.

4. This is what we pray for.