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# Introduction

The Kingdom of God is not complicated. It is not far away, mysterious, or hard to understand. Jesus came to make the Kingdom clear, accessible, and available to every believer. The Kingdom is God's system—His way of doing and being right—brought into the earth so we can live the life He designed for us.

The Kingdom is not religion. It is not routine. It is not tradition. The Kingdom is relationship, alignment, obedience, and power. It is heaven's order showing up in your everyday life. It is God's will being done on earth as it is in heaven.

But the Kingdom must be learned. It must be sought after. Jesus said to **“seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.”** Seeking the Kingdom is intentional. It is a lifestyle. It is the priority of every believer who wants to grow, mature, and walk in purpose.

This teaching, *A Heart for the Kingdom*, will help you understand:

- what the Kingdom is
- how the Kingdom operates
- how to pray the Kingdom way
- how to renew your mind
- how to put off the old nature
- how to live by the Spirit
- how to follow Jesus daily
- how to walk in your assignment

Each part builds on the next, giving you simple, practical steps for living the Kingdom life every day.

# Chapter 1 — FOUNDATION OF THE KINGDOM

## Part 1 — Seek First the Kingdom

The Kingdom of God must become the believer's first pursuit. Before decisions, before emotions, before plans, before opinions, before anything else—there must be a desire to seek God's way of doing and being right. The Kingdom is not something you stumble into. It is something you aim at. It is something you strive after. It is something you intentionally pursue.

### **Matthew 6:33 (AMP)**

**“But first and most importantly seek (aim at, strive after) His kingdom and His righteousness—His way of doing and being right—the attitude and character of God, and all these things will be given to you also.”**

“Seek first.” Before anything else. Before decisions. Before emotions. Before trying to fix things in your own strength. Seek His Kingdom. Aim at it. Strive after it. You don't drift into the Kingdom by accident. You pursue it on purpose.

“His way of doing and being right.”

The Kingdom has a way. God has a way. The world has its way, but the Kingdom has its own system. If you want Kingdom results, you must follow Kingdom ways. You cannot live by the world's system and expect heaven's outcome.

To seek the Kingdom, you must understand what the Kingdom is. The Kingdom of God is heaven's system brought into the earth. We are here on earth, but there should be some heaven showing up in our lives. Heaven in our homes. Heaven in our decisions. Heaven in how we walk, talk, and treat people.

When you get saved, you become a citizen of the Kingdom. But just like any new job, you don't walk in knowing everything. Every job has policies,

procedures, expectations, and a way things are done. The Kingdom is the same way. If you are going to operate in the Kingdom, you must learn how the Kingdom operates.

Heaven has order. Heaven has peace. Heaven has righteousness. Heaven has joy. Heaven has clarity. Heaven has a way things function. And Jesus said that same order should be happening here — “on earth as it is in heaven.”

The Word of God is the manual.

The Holy Spirit is the trainer.

Jesus is the example.

The Father is the Boss.

The church has an assignment. We are not here just to exist. We are not here just to survive. We are not here just to go to work, pay bills, and go home. We are here to expand the Kingdom. We are here to bring heaven into the earth. We are here to get souls saved. We are here to operate in the family business.

Seeking the Kingdom first is not optional. It is foundational. It is the starting point for everything else God wants to do in your life.

## **Part 2 — Learning to Pray the Kingdom Way**

**Matthew 6:9–10 (AMP)**

**“Pray, then, in this way: ‘Our Father, who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done**

Jesus gave us more than a prayer—He gave us a pattern. He showed us how to approach the Father and how to think as Kingdom citizens. The very first words, “Our Father,” establish relationship. He is not distant. He is not unreachable. He is your Father. You are His child. You are a son or daughter of the Most High. You are an heir and a joint-heir with Jesus. Jesus is your big Brother, and you belong to the family. If you are in the family, then you are in the family business.

**“Hallowed be Your name.”**

His name is holy. His name is lifted. His name is honored. Everything in the Kingdom begins with reverence for the King. When you honor His name, you position your heart to receive from Him.

**“Your kingdom come, Your will be done...”**

This is where alignment begins. When you pray this, you are inviting heaven’s system into your life. You are giving God permission to override your way of doing things with His way of doing things. There is only one Boss in the Kingdom. It is not us. It is not our emotions. It is not our opinions. It is not our plans. God is the Boss. Jesus has been given all authority, and we follow the chain of command.

**“On earth as it is in heaven.”**

Heaven has order. Heaven has peace. Heaven has righteousness. Heaven has joy. Heaven has clarity. Heaven has a way things are done. That same order is meant to show up here—right in your life, in your home, in your decisions, in your walk. We are not waiting to get to heaven to experience the Kingdom. We are bringing heaven into the earth.

The Kingdom is not a feeling; it is a system. It has structure. It has laws. It has a way things operate. Just like any job has policies and procedures, the Kingdom has its own. You cannot operate in the Kingdom if you do not know the Kingdom. You cannot walk in Kingdom authority if you do not understand Kingdom order. You cannot walk in Kingdom benefits if you do not follow Kingdom procedures.

Prayer is where alignment happens. Prayer is where the heart is positioned. Prayer is where the mind is renewed to Kingdom thinking. Prayer is where the will is surrendered. Prayer is where the assignment becomes clear.

The church has a Kingdom assignment. We are not here to sit. We are not here to blend in. We are not here to be religious. We are here to expand the Kingdom, to bring heaven into the earth, to get souls saved, to operate in the family business, and to follow Jesus' example. This is why Jesus taught us how to pray—because prayer positions us to carry out the assignment of the Kingdom.

## **Part 3 — Entering the Kingdom: Saved and Born Again**

Before anyone can operate in the Kingdom, there is a requirement. You must be saved. Salvation is the doorway. Salvation is the entry point. Salvation is the first step into the family of God. God sent Jesus to save the world, and whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life. That is the beginning of everything.

But salvation alone is not the end. It is the beginning. After salvation comes the second requirement: you must be born again. Jesus made this very clear.

### **John 3:3 (AMP)**

“Jesus answered him, ‘I assure you and most solemnly say to you, unless a person is born again

— reborn from above, spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified —

he cannot ever see and experience the kingdom of God.’”

You can be saved and still not see the Kingdom. You can be saved and still not understand how the Kingdom operates. You can be saved and still not function in the family business. To operate in the Kingdom, you must be spiritually transformed. You must be renewed. You must be sanctified. You must be born from above.

The new birth is not optional. It is necessary. Without being born again, you cannot see the Kingdom. You cannot experience the Kingdom. You cannot operate in the Kingdom. You cannot walk in Kingdom authority or Kingdom purpose.

The Word makes it even clearer:

### **John 3:3 (ERV)**

“Jesus answered, ‘I assure you, everyone must be born again. Anyone who is not born again cannot be in God’s kingdom.’”



This is not complicated. This is not deep. This is not confusing. It is simple. Get saved. Get born again. These are the requirements. These are the qualifications. These are the first steps into Kingdom life.

You must be born of the water and of the Spirit. The natural birth brought you into the world. The spiritual birth brings you into the Kingdom. The natural birth made you a human. The spiritual birth makes you a son or daughter of God. The natural birth gave you life on earth. The spiritual birth gives you life in the Kingdom.

Without the new birth, you cannot operate in the Father's family business. Without the new birth, you cannot walk in the authority Jesus gave. Without the new birth, you cannot understand the things of the Spirit. Without the new birth, you cannot see what God is doing.

This is why the call is urgent:

Get saved.

Get born again.

Come into the Kingdom.

Step into the assignment God has for you.

The Kingdom is not for spectators. The Kingdom is not for observers. The Kingdom is not for people standing on the outside looking in. The Kingdom is for those who have received Jesus, been transformed by the Spirit, and are ready to walk in the new life God has prepared.

Salvation brings you in.

Being born again opens your eyes.

The Spirit of God empowers you to live it out.

This is the beginning of Kingdom life.

## Chapter 2 — TRANSFORMATION AND GROWTH

### Part 4 — Renewing the Mind for Kingdom Living

The Kingdom requires a new way of thinking. The old way will not work. The world's way will not work. The way you were raised, the way you survived, the way you handled things before Christ—none of that works in the Kingdom. The Word says, **“Do not be conformed to this world any longer with its superficial values and customs” (Romans 12:2 AMP)**. That means don't let the world shape you, mold you, or tell you who you are. Don't let the world's values become your values. Don't let the world's customs become your habits.

The Scripture continues, **“but be transformed and progressively changed as you mature spiritually by the renewing of your mind.”** Transformation is not something you can do by yourself. You cannot change yourself. You cannot fix yourself. You cannot renew yourself. Only the Holy Spirit can transform you. Only the Word of God can renew your mind. Only God can take the old out and put the new in.

Transformation is progressive. It happens as you mature spiritually. It happens as you spend time in the Word. It happens as you fellowship with the Father. It happens as you obey what He shows you. The more the Word gets in you, the more your thinking changes. The more your thinking changes, the more your life changes. The Scripture says this renewing happens by **“focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes.”**

The Kingdom has values. The Kingdom has attitudes. The Kingdom has a way of seeing things. The world's way is superficial. The world's way is selfish. The world's way is deceitful. The world's way is temporary. But the Kingdom's way is righteous, peaceful, joyful, and eternal. When your mind is renewed, you begin to understand the will of God. You begin to see His plan. You begin to recognize His purpose. You begin to walk in what He has already predestined for you. **“That which is good and acceptable and perfect—in His plan and purpose for you.” (Romans 12:2 AMP)**

The old nature was shaped in sin. **“Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.” (Psalm 51:5)** That old nature cannot come into the Kingdom. That old nature cannot operate in the Kingdom. That old nature cannot understand the Kingdom. This is why the mind must be renewed. The Spirit makes you new, but the mind must be trained to think like the Kingdom.

The old way of thinking was the world’s way. The world lies, cheats, manipulates, and backstabs to get ahead. The world operates in fear, pride, and self-preservation. None of that works in the Kingdom. The Kingdom operates in righteousness, peace, joy, faith, love, and obedience. The Kingdom operates by the Spirit, not the flesh.

The Word of God is the tool that renews the mind. The Word is the seed. Your heart is the soil. As you meditate on the Word, the seed goes in, takes root, and begins to grow. Whatever seed you plant is what will come forth. If you plant the Word, you will produce Kingdom thinking. If you plant the world, you will produce worldly thinking.

Renewing the mind is not optional. It is necessary. It is required. It is part of Kingdom living. Without a renewed mind, you cannot walk in the will of God. Without a renewed mind, you cannot operate in the Kingdom. Without a renewed mind, you cannot fulfill your assignment.

The Kingdom begins in the heart, but it is lived out through a renewed mind.

## **Part 5 — The Word Is a Seed**

The Kingdom operates by seed. Everything God does begins with a seed. The Word of God is the seed, and your heart—your spirit—is the soil. Jesus taught that the Word must be planted, received, and meditated on for it to produce anything in your life. The Word is not just information; it is spiritual seed carrying power, life, and transformation.

The Word says, **“The seed is the Word of God.” (Luke 8:11)**

A seed carries everything needed for growth, but it must be planted in the right place. Your spirit is the ground where the Word takes root. When you hear the Word, when you meditate on it, when you speak it, when you hold it in your heart, you are planting seed.

The condition of the heart determines the harvest. Jesus said some seed falls on stony ground, some among thorns, some on the wayside, and some on good ground. **“But the seed on good ground are they which, in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.” (Luke 8:15)**

The Kingdom requires patience. Seeds do not grow overnight. They grow as you water them with meditation, obedience, and faith.

Meditation is how the seed breaks open. When you think on the Word, speak the Word, and rehearse the Word, the seed begins to work inside you. God told Joshua, **“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night... for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.” (Joshua 1:8)**

Meditation is not empty thinking; it is filling your mind with what God said until it becomes your reality.

Whatever seed you plant is the harvest you will see. If you plant fear, you will reap fear. If you plant doubt, you will reap doubt. If you plant the world, you will reap the world. But if you plant the Word, you will reap Kingdom results. The Word produces after its own kind. A healing seed produces

healing. A peace seed produces peace. A faith seed produces faith. A righteousness seed produces righteous living.

The Word must be guarded. The enemy comes immediately to steal the seed. Jesus said, **“Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts.” (Mark 4:15)**

This is why you cannot be casual with the Word. You cannot hear it once and walk away. You must protect it, rehearse it, and keep it before your eyes. The enemy cannot steal what you guard.

The Word must be obeyed. Hearing alone is not enough. **“Be doers of the word, and not hearers only.” (James 1:22)**

Obedience waters the seed. Obedience activates the seed. Obedience brings the harvest. When you act on the Word, you give the seed permission to grow.

The Word must be believed. Faith is the atmosphere where the seed thrives. **“Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17)**

The more you hear the Word, the more faith rises. The more faith rises, the more the seed grows. The more the seed grows, the more the Kingdom manifests in your life

The Word is the foundation of Kingdom living. Without the Word, there is no growth. Without the Word, there is no transformation. Without the Word, there is no fruit. The Kingdom begins with a seed, and that seed is the Word planted in a willing, obedient, and believing heart.

## **Part 6 — Putting Off the Old Nature and Putting On the New**

The Kingdom requires a new life, not just a new belief. When you come into the Kingdom, you cannot bring the old you with you. The old nature, the old habits, the old attitudes, the old ways of thinking, the old responses—none of that can operate in the Kingdom. The Word says, **“Strip yourselves of your former nature—put off and discard your old unrenewed self.”** (Ephesians 4:22 AMP)

The old you was shaped by the world. The old you was shaped by sin. The old you was shaped by survival. The old you was shaped by pain. But the Kingdom requires a new you.

The Scripture says the old nature is **“being corrupted through deceitful desires.”** (Ephesians 4:22 AMP)

The world taught you to lie to get ahead, to manipulate to survive, to fight to protect yourself, to hold grudges, to get even, to walk in pride, to depend on your own strength. All of that belongs to the old nature. All of that must be stripped off. You cannot live Kingdom life with a worldly mindset.

The Word continues, **“Be continually renewed in the spirit of your mind [having a fresh, untarnished mental and spiritual attitude].”** (Ephesians 4:23 AMP)

This is not a one-time event. This is daily. This is intentional. This is spiritual maturity. A fresh attitude. A clean attitude. A Kingdom attitude. A mind that is not stained by the world. A mind that is not controlled by emotions. A mind that is not driven by fear. A mind that is not shaped by the past. A mind renewed by the Spirit of God.

Then the Scripture says, **“Put on the new self—the regenerated and renewed nature, created in God’s image, in true righteousness and holiness.”** (Ephesians 4:24 AMP)

This is who you really are now. A new creation. A new person. A new identity. A new nature. A new way of living. A new way of responding. A new way of thinking. A new way of walking. A new way of talking. You are



created in God's image. You are created in righteousness. You are created in holiness. You are created to reflect Him.

Putting on the new self means letting go of the old reactions. The old anger. The old bitterness. The old fear. The old insecurity. The old pride. The old habits. The old language. The old mindset. The old you is gone. **“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” (2 Corinthians 5:17)**

You cannot hold on to the old and walk in the new at the same time.

Putting on the new self also produces gratitude. When you truly see what God brought you out of, when you look back at what He saved you from, when you recognize how He kept you, protected you, and delivered you, a heart of thanksgiving rises up. You begin to say, “Lord, thank You for my salvation. Thank You for changing me. Thank You for renewing me. Thank You for making me new.”

Living this new life is not about perfection; it is about transformation. It is about yielding. It is about surrender. It is about letting the Holy Spirit lead you. It is about choosing the new nature over the old one every single day. The Kingdom requires a new you, and God has already given you everything you need to walk in it.

Putting off the old and putting on the new is how Kingdom life becomes visible in your everyday walk.

## **Part 7 — Abiding in the Word: The Mark of a True Disciple**

The Kingdom cannot be lived without the Word. The Word is not optional. The Word is not a suggestion. The Word is not something you visit when you feel like it. The Word is your life. Jesus made it clear that discipleship begins with abiding—remaining, continuing, staying—in His Word.

### **John 8:31–32**

**“If you abide in My word [continually obeying My teachings and living in accordance with them], then you are truly My disciples. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”**

Abiding is not a one-time moment. Abiding is a lifestyle. Abiding means you stay with the Word when it's easy and when it's not. Abiding means you obey what the Word says even when your flesh doesn't want to. Abiding means you let the Word correct you, shape you, and guide you. Abiding means you live by the Word, not by your feelings, not by your opinions, not by what the world says.

The Word says, **“continually obeying My teachings.”**

Continually. Not occasionally. Not when it's convenient. Not when it agrees with you. Continually. This is the mark of a true disciple. A disciple is a follower, a student, one who is trained by discipline. Discipline means you obey the rules, the code of behavior, the standards of the Kingdom. You cannot be a disciple without discipline.

The Word is the standard. The Word is the foundation. The Word is the measuring stick. The Word is the mirror. The Word is the guide. When you abide in the Word, you begin to see yourself the way God sees you. You begin to think the way God thinks. You begin to respond the way God responds. You begin to walk in the truth.

Jesus said, **“You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”**

Truth is not just information. Truth is a Person. Truth is Jesus. Truth is the Word. When you abide in the Word, you come into freedom. Freedom from fear. Freedom from sin. Freedom from old habits. Freedom from wrong

thinking. Freedom from the lies of the enemy. Freedom from the world's system. Freedom from anything that tries to hold you back.

Freedom is not automatic. Freedom comes from abiding. Freedom comes from obedience. Freedom comes from living in accordance with the Word. Freedom comes from letting the Word do its work in you.

Abiding in the Word also means you stop straddling the fence. You cannot live half in the world and half in the Kingdom. You cannot live half in the flesh and half in the Spirit. You cannot live half obedient and half rebellious. Jesus said, **“Then you are truly My disciples.”**

Not almost. Not halfway. Truly.

The Kingdom requires commitment. The Kingdom requires consistency. The Kingdom requires obedience. The Kingdom requires abiding. When you abide in the Word, you become stable. You become rooted. You become grounded. You become unshakeable. You become a true disciple.

Abiding in the Word is how the Kingdom becomes your lifestyle, not just your belief.

## Chapter 3

# POWER, ASSIGNMENT, & DAILY KINGDOM LIVING

### Part 8 — Denying Yourself and Following Jesus

The Kingdom has an order, and that order begins with surrender. You cannot follow Jesus and follow yourself at the same time. You cannot walk in the Spirit and walk in the flesh at the same time. You cannot live the Kingdom life while holding on to your own way. Jesus made this very clear.

**Matthew 16:24 (AMP)**

**“If anyone wishes to follow Me as My disciple, he must deny himself [set aside selfish interests], and take up his cross [expressing a willingness to endure whatever may come] and follow Me [believing in Me, conforming to My example in living and, if need be, suffering or perhaps dying because of faith in Me].”**

Denying yourself means you are no longer the boss of you. You don't get to run your life your way anymore. You don't get to make decisions based on your emotions, your habits, your past, or your preferences. In the Kingdom, Jesus is Lord. He leads. He directs. He commands. You follow.

The Word says you must **“set aside selfish interests.”**

Selfishness cannot live in the Kingdom. Pride cannot live in the Kingdom. “My way,” “my plan,” “my feelings,” “my opinion”—all of that must bow to the King. Denying yourself is not punishment; it is positioning. It positions you to hear God clearly. It positions you to walk in His will. It positions you to receive His best.

Then Jesus said to **“take up your cross.”**

The cross is not suffering from sickness or tragedy. The cross is dying to the flesh. The cross is laying down your will. The cross is choosing obedience when your flesh wants to rebel. The cross is choosing

righteousness when your emotions want to react. The cross is choosing forgiveness when your pride wants revenge. The cross is choosing the Spirit over the flesh every single time.

The Word says to **“follow Me.”**

Following Jesus means conforming to His example. Jesus lived surrendered. Jesus lived obedient. Jesus lived submitted to the Father. Jesus lived led by the Spirit. Jesus lived with purpose. Jesus lived with compassion. Jesus lived with authority. Jesus lived with discipline. Following Him means walking the same way.

The Kingdom requires dying to self. **“I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.” (Galatians 2:20)**

This is not symbolic. This is real. The old you must die daily. The flesh must be put under daily. The will must be surrendered daily. The mind must be renewed daily. The Spirit must lead daily.

Denying yourself is not losing your identity—it is discovering your true identity. When you let go of the old you, the real you in Christ begins to rise. When you surrender your will, God’s will becomes clear. When you lay down your plans, His plans unfold. When you stop trying to control everything, the Holy Spirit can lead you into everything God has prepared.

Following Jesus is not a burden; it is freedom. It is peace. It is clarity. It is purpose. It is power. It is Kingdom life. But it begins with surrender. It begins with denying yourself. It begins with taking up your cross. It begins with following Him step by step, day by day, moment by moment.

This is the path of a true disciple. This is the path of Kingdom living. This is the path of transformation. This is the path Jesus laid out for every believer who desires to walk in the fullness of the Kingdom.

## **Part 9 — Being Filled With the Spirit and Praying in the Spirit**

The Kingdom cannot be lived in your own strength. You cannot walk out this new life, deny yourself, renew your mind, or follow Jesus without the help of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit of God is your Helper, your Guide, your Teacher, your Strengthener, your Comforter, and your Power. The Word says, **“Do not get drunk with wine, for that is wickedness... but be filled with the Spirit.” (Ephesians 5:18 AMP)**

Being filled with the Spirit is not a one-time moment. It is a continual lifestyle. You stay filled. You stay sensitive. You stay yielded. You stay connected.

The Scripture says to be **“constantly guided by Him.”**

The Holy Spirit leads you into truth. He leads you into peace. He leads you into righteousness. He leads you into obedience. He leads you into the will of God. You cannot follow Jesus without the Spirit leading you. You cannot walk in the Kingdom without the Spirit guiding you. You cannot live this life without the Spirit empowering you.

The Word continues, **“Speak to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, offering praise by singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord.” (Ephesians 5:19 AMP)**

A Spirit-filled life is a worshipping life. A praising life. A thankful life. A life that sings to the Lord. A life that honors Him. A life that stays in His presence. When you are filled with the Spirit, praise flows naturally. Thanksgiving flows naturally. Worship flows naturally. You don't have to force it—it rises up from your spirit.

The Scripture says, **“Always giving thanks to God the Father for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Ephesians 5:20 AMP)**

A Spirit-filled believer is a thankful believer. Gratitude is a sign of being filled. Complaining dries up the Spirit's flow. Thanksgiving keeps your heart



open. Thanksgiving keeps your spirit sensitive. Thanksgiving keeps you aligned with the Kingdom.

But the Word doesn't stop there. There is another dimension of being filled with the Spirit—**praying in the Spirit.**

## **Jude 20**

**“But you, beloved, build yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit.”**

Praying in the Spirit strengthens you. It builds you up. It charges your spirit. It lifts you above your emotions. It bypasses your mind and allows the Holy Spirit to pray through you. When you don't know what to pray, the Spirit knows. When you don't have the words, the Spirit does. When you feel weak, praying in the Spirit makes you strong.

Praying in the Spirit is not something to be afraid of. It is a gift. It is a weapon. It is a tool. It is a lifeline. It is how you rise higher and higher in the things of God. The Word says you **“build yourselves up... rise like an edifice higher and higher.” (Jude 20 AMP)**

Every time you pray in the Spirit, you are building. You are strengthening. You are rising. You are growing. You are maturing. You are aligning with the Kingdom.

Praying in the Spirit also protects you. It guards your heart. It guards your mind. It guards your faith. It keeps you sensitive to the voice of God. It keeps you alert. It keeps you spiritually awake. It keeps you from falling into traps, distractions, and deception.

The Kingdom is a spiritual Kingdom, and you must live it spiritually. You cannot live the Kingdom life in the flesh. You cannot fight spiritual battles with natural tools. You cannot fulfill your assignment without spiritual power. Being filled with the Spirit and praying in the Spirit is how you stay strong, how you stay focused, how you stay aligned, and how you stay victorious.

This is the lifestyle of a Kingdom believer—filled, guided, strengthened, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

## **Part 10 — Living the Kingdom: Your Assignment and Daily Walk**

The Kingdom is not complicated. It is not mysterious. It is not hidden from you. God has made the Kingdom simple, clear, and accessible so every believer can walk in it. But the Kingdom does require alignment. It requires obedience. It requires commitment. It requires a heart that is willing to put God first in everything.

Jesus said, **“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you.” (Matthew 6:33)**

This is the foundation. This is the starting point. This is the priority. The Kingdom must come first. His way of doing and being right must come first. His will must come first. His voice must come first. When the Kingdom is first, everything else falls into place.

To live the Kingdom life, there are steps—simple steps, but powerful steps. These are not suggestions. These are not optional. These are the policies and procedures of the Kingdom. This is how you operate in the family business.

### **1. Be saved.**

You cannot enter the Kingdom without salvation. **“Whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16)**

Salvation brings you into the family.

### **2. Be born again.**

You cannot see or experience the Kingdom without the new birth. **“Unless a person is born again... he cannot ever see and experience the kingdom of God.” (John 3:3 AMP)**

The Spirit gives you new life.

### **3. Discipline your flesh.**

The flesh cannot run your life anymore. **“Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.”**  
(Galatians 5:24)

The flesh must be put under daily.

#### **4. Live out of your spirit.**

Your spirit is where God speaks. **“Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.”** (Galatians 5:16)

The Spirit leads you into Kingdom living.

#### **5. Abide in the Word.**

The Word is your foundation. **“If you abide in My word... then you are truly My disciples.”** (John 8:31)

The Word keeps you grounded and free.

#### **6. Pray and sing in the Spirit.**

This builds you up and strengthens you. **“Build yourselves up... praying in the Holy Spirit.”** (Jude 20)

Praying in the Spirit keeps you aligned and empowered.

#### **7. Follow Jesus’ example.**

He is the model. **“Take up your cross and follow Me.”** (Matthew 16:24)

Following Him means surrender, obedience, and trust.

#### **8. Continue the ministry of Jesus.**

This is the assignment. This is the family business. Jesus said, **“These signs will follow those who believe... they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”** (Mark 16:17–18)

We are called to expand the Kingdom.

The Kingdom is not passive. It is active. It is alive. It is advancing. And you are part of that advancement. You are not here to sit. You are not here to be silent. You are not here to blend in. You are here to bring heaven into

the earth. You are here to shine the light of Jesus. You are here to walk in authority. You are here to demonstrate the Kingdom.

Living the Kingdom life is not about perfection—it is about direction. It is about choosing God daily. It is about surrendering daily. It is about renewing your mind daily. It is about walking in the Spirit daily. It is about letting the Word shape you daily. It is about staying filled with the Spirit daily.

This is how the Kingdom becomes your lifestyle.

This is how the Kingdom becomes visible in your life.

This is how the Kingdom flows through you to others.

This is how you fulfill your assignment.

This is how you walk in what God has already prepared for you.

The Kingdom is here.

The Kingdom is in you.

Now live it.

## **Closing Statement**

The Kingdom of God is simple. God did not make this hard. He made it clear so we can live it every day. When your heart is set on the Kingdom, everything else in your life begins to line up. God wants you to understand His way of doing things so you can walk in what He has already prepared for you.

You were created for Kingdom living.  
You were designed for Kingdom authority.  
You were called to Kingdom assignment.

You were chosen for Kingdom impact.

The Father has already prepared the way. Jesus has already opened the door. The Holy Spirit has already empowered you. Now it is your responsibility to walk it out—daily, intentionally, and with a heart fully surrendered to God.

May this teaching stir your spirit, renew your mind, strengthen your walk, and position you to live the life God intended from the beginning: a life aligned with His will, filled with His Spirit, grounded in His Word, and committed to His Kingdom.

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## **Confessions & Declarations**

**I seek first the Kingdom of God.**

**I put God's way above my way.**

**I follow Jesus daily.**

**I walk in the Spirit and not in the flesh.**

**I obey the Word of God.**

**I am led, guided, and strengthened by the Holy Spirit.**

**I live the Kingdom life every day.**

**I bring heaven into the earth everywhere I go.**

**I walk in the authority Jesus gave me.**

**I am a Kingdom citizen, and I live like it.**

**The Kingdom is in me.**

**The Kingdom works through me.**

**And I will live the Kingdom life every day.**

**That is not Pastor Toni at all. Remove it, please. And do a completely different rendering all together**