

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD *Mat 4:23, 9:35, 24:14, Ac 8:12, 20:25*

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Gen 1:26-28 When God made man and woman in His image and likeness, He made them to be **fruitful and fill the earth**. He gave them **authority to rule** over all the earth **and subdue** evil influences such as the serpent. *Gen 3:1,4, Rev 12:9, Lk 10:19*

Gen 2:8, 15 – 17 God planted a garden and put man in it to cultivate and keep it. There were many trees to eat from, but one was forbidden.

Gen 3:1-6 But the serpent came, who is the devil, and by **his lies deceived** the woman to eat of the forbidden fruit. **The man chose to rebel** against God and eat the fruit. *1Tim 2:14*. (Fall of Lucifer, *Is 14:12 – 15, Ezek 28:13 – 19*)

In this way Adam and Eve **lost their relationship with God** through sin and rebellion, **became self centred**, and **sinful in their nature**. They **lost their authority to rule over the earth**. It was transferred to **satan**. **Adam and Eve came under satan's authority**. Satan became the ruler of this world. *Lk 4:5,6,7, Jn 12:31, Jn 14:30*.

Gal 4:4-7 But God, sent His Son, Jesus, who lived in perfect obedience to God the Father, as Adam and Eve were supposed to have done. *Jn 4:34, 5:19,30, 6:38, 8:28, 12:49, 14:10*. In His life of obedience to God, **Jesus re-established the Kingdom of God on the earth**. *Mat 4:17, Mat 4:23, 9:23, 12:28, 29, 24:14, Lk 12:32, Lk 22:29*

Ac 10:38 **Jesus went about in God's Kingdom authority and power on the earth, destroying the devil's works, setting people free and bringing people back to God**, *Mat 8*, (whole chapter), *Lk 19:10, Jn 4:4 - 42*

1Cor 15: 3,4 At the end of His life, Jesus allowed Himself to be offered as a sacrifice for the sins of mankind, to turn away from all who believe in Him, God's wrath and judgment upon sin. *2Cor 5:19,21, 1Pet 2:24, 1Pet 3:18, Jn 3:16, 1Jn 2:1,2*. Jesus was not a victim on the Cross. He did not have to die. *Mat 26:53,54*

Jesus Christ died on the Cross, was buried, descended into Hades, three days later He was resurrected from the dead, ascended into heaven and was enthroned at the right hand of God. *Heb 1:3, Phil 2:9-11, Eph 1:22*

In His death, burial, descent into Hades, (*Eph 4:9,10, Act 2:31, 1Pet 3:18-20*), resurrection, (*Mat 28:1-10*), ascension, (*Ac 1:10*), and enthroning at God's right hand, (*Heb 1:3*), Jesus:

1. **paid for all the sins of all people, so that those who repent and believe the Gospel can be forgiven.** *1Pet 2:24, 1Pet 3:18, 1Cor 15:3*
2. **broke the power of the old sinful nature so we can be free from sinful habits.** *Rom 6:6,11*
3. **redeemed us from the curse of the law so that we receive the blessing of God.** *Gal 3:13,14*
4. **destroyed the devil and all his works. Cast out demons.** *Heb 2:14, 1Jn 3:8, Ac 10:38, Mat 8:16*
5. **took the keys of hell and death.** *Rev 1:18*
6. **bore away our sicknesses and diseases so that we can be healed.** *Mat 8:17, Ac 10:38*
7. **overcame the world system so that we are free to serve God as He leads.** *Jn 16:33, 1Jn 5:4*
8. **has been given all authority in heaven and earth, with everything under His feet, and a name above every name.** *Mat 28:18, Eph 1:22, Phil 2:9-11. God's Kingdom has come on the earth. 1Cor 4:20, Act 28:31, Act 20:25, Act 19:8, Act 8:12, Act 14:22, Lk 16:16, Mat 18:3,4, Rom 5:17, Jn 14:12*
9. **established the Kingdom of God in the earth which was lost by Adam and Eve in Gen 3.** *Mat 12:28, Mat 21:43, Lk 12:32, Lk 17:21, Lk 22:29, Heb 12:28, Lk 4:18,19, 7:22, 10:19, 1Jn 4:17*
10. **poured out the Holy Spirit upon His disciples and filled them with the power of God.** *Jn 7:37 – 39, Ac 2:1 – 4, 17, 18, 33, Lk 24:49, Act 1:8. To do and say as Jesus did. Jn 14:12, Mat 10:20*
11. **gave His disciples His authority and power to receive forgiveness of sins, defeat the power of sin, overcome the world, preach the Gospel everywhere, make disciples to Jesus, heal the sick, cast out demons, bind the powers of darkness and loose the captives, extend and establish the Kingdom of God on the earth and destroy all the works of the devil.** *1Jn 1:9, Rom 6:1 – 14, 1Jn 5:4, Ac 1:8, Mat 28:18-20, Mat 10:1,7,8, Mat 16:19, Lk 10:19, 1Jn 3:8, Ac 10:38, Lk 22:29*

Jesus has made us Kings and Priests to God. *Rev 1:6, 1Pet 2:9*

Kings to rule in life, overcome all things and extend God's Kingdom on the earth. *Rom 5:17, Rev 3:21, 1Cor 15:57, 1Jn 5:4, Lk 10:19*

Priests to offer sacrifices to God, worship, praise and pray. *Heb 13:15, Ps 116:17, Ps 27:6, 1Tim 2:1-4*