

The

KLINGDOM

of God / of Heaven / of Christ



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Daniel 2:31-45 (NKJV)

³¹ “You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor *was* excellent, stood before you; and its form *was* awesome. ³² This image’s head *was* of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze, ³³ its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. ³⁴ You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

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³⁵ Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth. ³⁶

“This *is* the dream. Now we will tell the interpretation of it before the king. ³⁷ You, O king, *are* a king of kings. For the God of heaven has given you a kingdom, power, strength, and glory;

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³⁸ and wherever the children of men dwell, or the beasts of the field and the birds of the heaven, He has given *them* into your hand, and has made you ruler over them all—you *are* this head of gold. ³⁹ But after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours; then another, a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over all the earth.

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4^o And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron, inasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, *that kingdom* will break in pieces and crush all the others. 4ⁱ Whereas you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; yet the strength of the iron shall be in it, just as you saw the iron mixed with ceramic clay.

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⁴² And *as* the toes of the feet *were* partly of iron and partly of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly fragile. ⁴³ As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay.

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⁴⁴ And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. ⁴⁵ Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure.”

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Kingdom Would Be Established

Head of Gold

Breast and arms
of silver

Belly and Thighs
of brass

Legs iron & feet of
clay & iron mixed



Babylonian Empire
605 B.C. - 536 B.C.

Medo-Persian Empire
536 B.C. - 330 B.C.

Grecian Empire 330
B.C. - 30 B.C.

Roman Empire 30
B.C. - 337 A.D.

“The days of these kings,” Daniel 2:44
a stone was cut out without hands

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Luke 17:20–21 (NKJV)

²⁰ Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, “The kingdom of God does not come with observation; ²¹ nor will they say, ‘See here!’ or ‘See there!’ For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you.”

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John 18:33–37 (NKJV)

³³ Then Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” ³⁴ Jesus answered him, “Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?” ³⁵ Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?”

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NATURE OF THE “KINGDOM”

John 18:33–37 (NKJV)

³⁶ Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world.

If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷

Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?”

Jesus answered, “You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.”

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THE TERM “KINGDOM”

βασιλεία *basileia*; from 936; *kingdom, sovereignty, royal power*.—kingdom(159),

kingdoms(3), reigns*(1)

Thomas, R. L. (1998). New American Standard Hebrew-Aramaic and Greek dictionaries : updated edition. Anaheim: Foundation Publications, Inc..

Thayer says of the same word..."Royal power, kingship, dominion and rule." (*Thayer's Greek-English Lex.* p. 96)

Webster defines the word kingdom in this manner..."The territory over which a king or queen has authority". (*New Lex. of Webster's Dict. of English Language.* p. 541)

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basileia (βασιλεία, 932)

is primarily an abstract noun, denoting “sovereignty, royal power, dominion,” e.g., Rev. 17:18, translated “(which) reigneth,” lit., “hath a kingdom” (rv marg.); then, by metonymy, a concrete noun, denoting the territory or people over whom a king rules, e.g., Matt. 4:8; Mark 3:24. It is used especially of the “kingdom” of God and of Christ.

Vine, W. E., Unger, M. F., & White, W., Jr. (1996). *Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words*. Nashville, TN: T. Nelson.

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“The Kingdom of God is (a) the sphere of God’s rule, Ps. 22:28; 145:13; Dan. 4:25; Luke 1:52; Rom. 13:1, 2. Since, however, this earth is the scene of universal rebellion against God, e.g., Luke 4:5, 6; 1 John 5:19; Rev. 11:15–18, the “kingdom” of God is (b) the sphere in which, at any given time, His rule is acknowledged. God has not relinquished His sovereignty in the face of rebellion, demonic and human, but has declared His purpose to establish it, Dan. 2:44; 7:14; 1 Cor. 15:24, 25. Meantime, seeking willing obedience, He gave His law to a nation and appointed kings to administer His “kingdom” over it, 1 Chron. 28:5.

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Israel, however, though declaring still a nominal allegiance shared in the common rebellion, Isa. 1:2–4, and, after they had rejected the Son of God, John 1:11 (cf. Matt. 21:33–43), were “cast away,” Rom. 11:15, 20, 25. Henceforth God calls upon men everywhere, without distinction of race or nationality, to submit voluntarily to His rule. Thus the “kingdom” is said to be “in mystery” now, Mark 4:11, that is, it does not come within the range of the natural powers of observation, Luke 17:20, but is spiritually discerned, John 3:3 (cf. 1 Cor. 2:14). When, hereafter, God asserts His rule universally, then the “kingdom” will be in glory, that is, it will be manifest to all; cf. Matt. 25:31–34; Phil. 2:9–11; 2 Tim. 4:1, 18.

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- JESUS

- GOSPEL

A King

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Subjects
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Territory

- CHRISTIANS

- From
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FOUR PERSPECTIVES OF THE KINGDOM

OT Prophecy

GOD WILL:

Gen. 49:10

2 Sam. 7:12-16

Dan. 2:44;
7:13-14

Isa. 9:7

Ezek. 21:25-27

Zech. 9:9

NT Imminence

AT HAND / NIGH

Angels - Luke
1:32-33

J.B. - Mt. 3:2

Apostles - Mt.
10:7; Lk. 9:2

70 disciples -
Luke 10:9

Jesus - Mt. 4:17,
23; 5:1- 7:21; 9:35;
13:11-52; 16:19,
28; Mark 9:1; Etc, -

NT Presence

**Acts 8:12; 19:8;
20:25; 28:23, 31**

Called "**into
kingdom**" by the
gospel (2 Thess.
2:14; 1 Thess. 2:12).

**"translated into
kingdom" —**
(Col. 1:13).

**"in the...
kingdom...of Jesus
Christ"** (Rev. 1:9).

Future Glory

1 Cor. 15:24-25
(NKJV)

²⁴ Then comes the
end, when He
delivers the
kingdom to God
the Father, when
He puts an end to
all rule and all
authority and
power. ²⁵ For He
must reign till He
has put all
enemies under His
feet.

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■ When:

- Days of Roman kings – Dan. 2:44
- “At hand” in Jesus’ day – Mt. 4:17
- In Jesus’ generation – Mk. 9:1

■ Where:

- Law going from Jerusalem – Isa. 2:3
- King coming to Jerusalem – Zec. 9:9
- Tarry in Jerusalem – Lk. 24:49
- Not depart from Jerusalem – Ac. 1:4

NT Presence

Established

First Pentecost after the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

Acts 2

The right time & place

After Acts 2 the language changes from “AT HAND” to “The kingdom is preached”

David prophesied God “would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne” (Acts 2:25-31).

“This Jesus God has raised up...being exalted...has made this Jesus...Lord” (2:32-36)

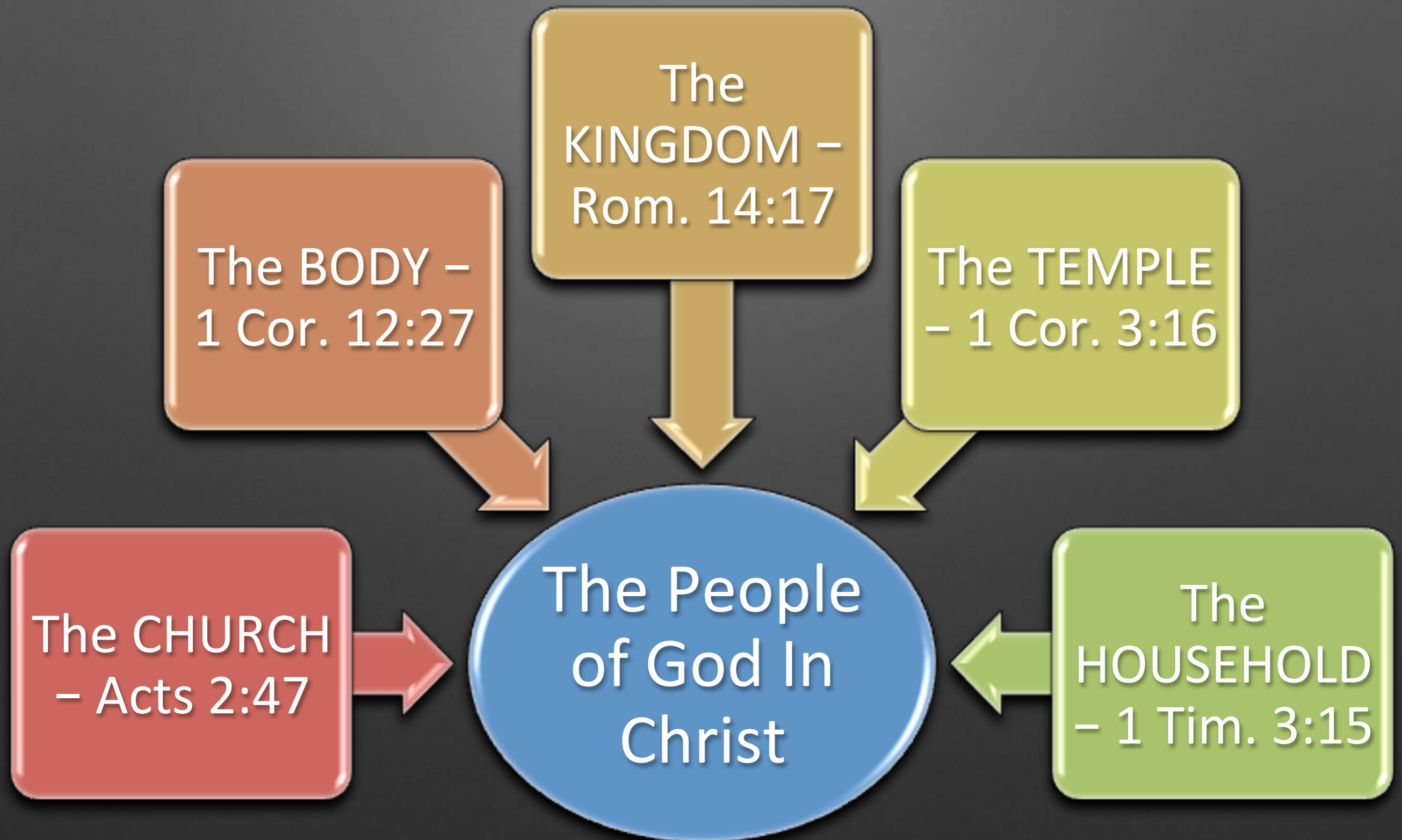
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Christ Is On David's Throne In Heaven

- Dan. 7:13-14 – received kingdom when ascends to Ancient of Days
- Psa. 89:35-37 – Throne in the sky
- Zech 6:12-13 – King & Priest on throne - (couldn't be priest on earth - Heb. 8:4) (Priest now, therefore king now – Heb. 4:14-15; 8:1-4)
- Acts 2:30-36 – raised to sit on David's throne - at God's right hand.



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THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS

Description	Passage	Jesus	Relationship
“the church”	(Acts 8:3, etc.)	The One Who Calls	The Called Out
“the church of God”	(Acts 20:28)	Paid The Price	Purchased of God
“the body of Christ”	(1 Cor. 12:27)	Headship	Members
“the kingdom of God”	(Rom. 14:17)	Kingship	Citizens
“the family of God”	(1 Tim. 3:15)	Son	Children
“the temple of God”	(1 Cor. 3:16)	High Priest	Serve / Worship
“the church of the firstborn”	(Heb. 12:23)	Heir	Fellow Heirs

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THE TERMS USED INTERCHANGEABLY

Matthew 16:18–19 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock **I will build My church**, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ And I will give you **the keys of the kingdom** of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

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THE TERMS USED INTERCHANGEABLY

- Jesus built His “ecclesia” by adding saved people to His body — Acts 2:38-41, 47; 1 Cor. 12:13
- By means of the preaching of the gospel, the doors into the kingdom were opened - people came under the authority of Jesus - (Acts 2:36, 38, 39; 3:16-20; 4:12; 10:34-43; Col. 1:13).



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- SAME BEGINNING **PLACE** — Isa 2:3; Lk 24:44-49; Ac 2:14-47
- SAME BEGINNING **TIME** — Mark 9:1; Acts 1:8; 2:1-4; Mat 16:18,19; Luke 24:44-49; Acts 2:14-47
- SAME **AUTHORITY** — Acts 2:36-38; Col. 1:13,18; Eph. 1:22,23
- **PURCHASED** WITH THE SAME THING (the blood of Christ) — Rev. 5:9-10; Acts 20:28.
- BOTH HAVE THE SAME **MEMORIAL**:
 - The Lord's table in the kingdom ... Matt. 26:29.
 - But the Lord's Table in the church ... I Cor. 11:20-27.

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■ THE SAME **MEMBERSHIP**:

- The Colossians were in Christ...Col. 1:2, which is equal to being in the church... Rom. 6:4 ; Gal.3:27 ; 1 Cor. 12:13.
- The Colossians had been translated into the kingdom of Christ ... Col. 1:13; as have all who are in His body.

■ THE SAME TERMS of **ENTRANCE**:

- Born of water and the Spirit - John 3:3-5
- By one Spirit baptized into one body, (the church) — 1 Cor. 12:13; Titus 3:5; Gal. 3:26,27; Acts 2:36-41,47

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CHURCH	SAME	KINGDOM
Col. 1:18	Head	Col. 1:13
Rom. 1:5	Subjects	Acts 2:39
Rom. 1:5	Territory	Acts 2:39
1 Cor. 12:13	Terms of Entrance	Jno. 3:3, 5
Rom. 1:15	Law	Matt. 4:23
1 Cor. 11:23ff	Memorial	Lk. 22:29-30

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• JESUS

Luke. 1:32-33 ;
Eph. 1:18-23 ;
Matt. 28:18 ;
I Tim. 6:15 ;
I Peter 3:22

A King

• GOSPEL

John 12:48 ; 17:8;
Mat. 28:18,19
I Cor. 9:21 ;
I John 4:6;
James 1:25

A Law

Acts 2:36-47
Col. 1:13-18
Rev. 1:9; 5:10

Subjects
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• CHRISTIANS

Matthew 28:29-20
Mark 16:15,16
Acts 10:34

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- The kingdom was prophesied for thousands of years — Gen. 49:10; 2 Sam. 7:12-16; Dan. 2:44; 7:13-14; Isa. 9:7; Ezek. 21:25-27; Zech. 9:9
- The kingdom was established on Pentecost in Acts 2
- There is one kingdom in existence today w/ one King — Acts 2:36; 1 Pet. 3:22; Rev. 19:16
- The kingdom will be delivered to the Father in the end — 1 Cor. 15:24-26;

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ARE YOU IN THE KINGDOM

- “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God... Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot ENTER the kingdom of God” (John 3:3-5).
- To be born of the Spirit means to be born of the teachings of the Spirit...I Cor. 12:13 ; James 1:18 ; I Peter 1:2 ; I Cor. 4:15.
- To be born of the water is to be buried in baptism ... Rom. 6:4 ; Gal. 3:26-27 ,29.

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- “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall ENTER the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven” (Matt. 7:21).

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