

The Coming of Heaven in Heaven

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I. Our King has a kingdom of heaven at hand—Which is right here—Right now

[Mat 4:17](#) ...Jesus began to preach...Repent: for **the kingdom of heaven is at hand**.

A. By Jesus' own words, He defined '*at hand*' to mean '*at this time*' and '*in this place*'

[Mat 26:45](#) Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them...behold, the hour is **at hand**, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

[Mat 26:46](#) Rise, let us be going: behold, he is **at hand** that doth betray me.

B. The kingdom that Jesus established here & now has never ended & will never end

[Dan 2:44](#) ...in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed...and it shall stand for ever.

[Luk 1:33](#) And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

C. The King still rules in His kingdom that is here and now

[Php 2:9](#) Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

[Php 2:10](#) That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;

[Php 2:11](#) And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

D. The King will rule His kingdom here until He turns it over to the Father there

[1Co 15:24](#) Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

[1Co 15:25](#) For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

[1Co 15:26](#) The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.

1Co 15:27 For he hath put all things under his feet...

II. Our King has a kingdom called **paradise**—Which is in heaven—Right now

Luk 23:42 ...he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

Luk 23:43 And Jesus said unto him...To day shalt thou be with me in **paradise**.

2Co 12:2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.

2Co 12:4 How that he was caught up into **paradise**, and heard unspeakable words...

2Ti 4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

2Ti 4:18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto **his heavenly kingdom**: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

III. After 7 kingdom sermons—We now contrast the best of here with what waits

Mat 13:44 ...the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

Mat 13:45 ...the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

1Co 15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

Rom 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

Rom 8:18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Rom 8:23 ...we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for...the redemption of our body.

IV. Some of Jesus' kingdom of heaven parables are about the future heaven in heaven

Mat 13:24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:

Mat 13:25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat...

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest...

Mat 13:36 ...Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

Mat 13:37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

Mat 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*;

'Children'—those whose principles and morals are the product of another

Joh 8:44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Mat 5:44 ...Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

Mat 5:45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good...

Mat 13:39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

Mat 13:40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

Mat 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

Mat 13:42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Mat 13:43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Mat 13:47 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:

Mat 13:48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

Mat 13:49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,

Mat 13:50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Mat 25:31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

Mat 25:32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:

Mat 25:33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

Mat 25:34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

Mat 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Mat 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

V. Let us go from teaching in parables to straightforward truth

Joh 5:28 ...the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

Joh 5:29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

VI. As a thief—Jesus will come when the world least expects Him

2Pe 3:3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

2Pe 3:4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.

2Pe 3:5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

2Pe 3:6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

2Pe 3:7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

2Pe 3:8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

1Th 5:2 ...the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

1Th 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

2Pe 3:12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

2Pe 3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

1Th 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation...

VII. Judgment of the wicked

2Th 1:6 Seeing *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;

2Th 1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

2Th 1:8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

2Th 1:9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction...

Rev 20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

Rev 20:14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.