

Introduction

- I. Jesus teaches us to pray for the coming of His kingdom in the second petition.
- II. We must keep in mind the first petition: knowledge, awe, worship and praise.

Praying for the Coming of God's Kingdom

I. God's Kingdom in Us

- A. God's kingdom is His rule of love in the hearts of His elect people.

- B. Jesus teaches us to pray that we would submit ourselves more and more to God's rule by His Word and Spirit. What does this include?

II. God's Kingdom in the Church

- A. Scripture teaches us that the church is the kingdom of God under the rule of Jesus Christ.

- B. When Jesus teaches us to pray, "Thy kingdom come," He is teaching us to pray for the church - preserve and increase her.

III. God's Kingdom in Its Fullness

- A. The fullness of God's kingdom will be realized when Jesus returns. What is the fullness of God's kingdom?

- B. Although we know this will happen, we still must pray for this.