



Who is Jesus?

Part 4: King over God's Restored Kingdom

Discussion

According to each of the following passages, in what sense has Jesus restored God's Kingdom to the earth?

Mark 1:14-15 (*Why could Jesus say the Kingdom had come?*)

Colossians 1:13-14

Colossians 2:13-15

Romans 6:1-4

Matthew 16:13-18

According to Colossians 1:13-14 and Romans 6:1-4, how are we who are in Christ already experiencing New Covenant Kingdom life? What is true of us now that wasn't before he made us his?

Read Matthew 6:10; 13:41; 19:27-30; Romans 8:22-25; 2 Peter 3:10-13

In addition to saying God's Kingdom has come, Jesus and the apostles speak of God's *coming* Kingdom. Theologians refer to this as the "already/not yet" reality of God's Kingdom.

In what sense are we still waiting for God's Kingdom to come?

What will be different when the fullness of God's Kingdom fills the earth?

What does it look like practically for us to live out this "already/not yet" kingdom tension as God's people in the world today?

Additional Study

In the last two lessons, we've talked about the old and new covenants of God with his people. For more on the continuity and differences between the old and new covenants in scripture, see Oren Martin's article, [What's New About the New Covenant?](#)

For more on how Christ is King over God's New Covenant Kingdom:

- Listen to Pastor John's sermons, [Jesus the King or something less?](#) and [God became King](#)
- See, The Bible Project, [The Sermon on The Mount and Jesus as the new David](#).
- See Grudem, Systematic Theology, *The Offices of Christ*, pp. 624-629