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Week 2

THE PRIMARY CONCERN

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Kingdom Disciple:

A Christian who is participating in the process of learning what it is to live all life under the lordship, rulership, kingship of Jesus Christ.

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Kingdom Disciple:

Righteousness is the standards by which the kingdom operates, the rules by which the kingdom works.

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Key Scripture: *Matthew 6:33*

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Matthew 6:33

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First Things First

God must be

first in your priorities;

first in your passions; and most important,

first in your decisions.

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First Things First

Only as a kingdom disciple - a visible, verbal, full-time representative of Jesus Christ - can you expect to receive all that God has determined for you to have, because you are operating under His rule.

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First Things First

Kingdom blessings, guidance, and provisions of heaven can be fully realized only as God's kingdom standards are prioritized by His disciples.

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First Things First

Jesus Christ is to have first place over everything, including our thoughts, actions, decisions, time, and talents.

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First Things First

When you don't put God first, you miss out on all of the benefits and blessings of the King and His kingdom.

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First Things First

The key to success as a kingdom disciple is found in the word *first*.

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Worry No Longer

Knowing where God is located - knowing His promises when you look to Him first - will reduce your anxiety, frustration, and irritation on all levels.

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Worry No Longer

Four things God will do for you when you replace worry and anxiety with confidence in Him: restore you, confirm you, strengthen you, and establish you.

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Worry No Longer

When you seek God first you can rest
because God's got it, and He promises that
all these things are already yours in Him.

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What God Can't Do

- Lie - Hebrews 6:18
- Sin - Numbers 23:19
- Change - Malachi 3:6
- Be second - Exodus 20:3

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What God Can't Do

If you fail to seek God's kingdom and His righteousness first, all else is worthless.

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What God Can't Do

Both surrender and sacrifice mean committing all of your energy, emotions, thoughts, and actions to God, under His rule and in line His commands and instructions for your life.

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What God Can't Do

Living as a kingdom disciple has to take place twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

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Relationship or Religion

Religion without relationship won't count for much when all is said and done.

When you're motivated by relationship, surrender comes naturally.

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Relationship or Religion

He wants your morality, prayer life, dedication, and service predicated on your relationship with Him rather than religious duty.

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Relationship or Religion

The beginning point of our identity, as well as the foundation of living as a kingdom disciple, is found in our spiritual relationship with God through His Son, Jesus Christ, and in the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit.

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Relationship or Religion

Only by linking your heart with Christ's heart and your mind with His mind in the heavenlies will you discover the joy, peace and purpose that comes through true surrender.

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Kingdom Vision

When you're spiritually blind, you can't live successfully in the physical realm if you can't see the spiritual realm, which affects everything in life.

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Kingdom Vision

The only way you'll be able to see life with a clear vision is when you view all of life from a heavenly, kingdom perspective.

Everything is created to bring glory to God.

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A life that's lived as a true kingdom disciple radiates, demonstrates, magnifies, and illustrates God's glory.

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Kingdom Vision

*For from him and through him and to him
are all things. To him be glory forever.*

Amen. - Rom 11:36 ESV

Affirmation:

I belong to Jesus and His kingdom...

- I was bought at a price, redeemed from the empty way of life.

1 Peter 1:18-19

“knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.”

Affirmation:

I belong to Jesus and His kingdom...

- Through the blood of Jesus I am redeemed out of the hand of the devil.

Ephesians 1:7

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace”

Affirmation:

I belong to Jesus and His kingdom...

- My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit

1Corinthians 6:19 ESV

“Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own,”

Affirmation:

“...remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,

Affirmation:

“...and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.”

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