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# BIBLE STUDY

**SERIES: "SHIFTING THE CULTURE"**



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# Opening Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12



# Verse:1

And seeing the multitudes, He  
went up on a mountain, and  
when He was seated His  
disciples came to Him.



Verse:2

Then He opened His  
mouth and taught them,  
saying:



# Verse:3

“Blessed *are* the poor in spirit,  
For theirs is the kingdom of  
heaven.



# Verse:4

Blessed *are* those who mourn,  
For they shall be comforted.



Verse:5

Blessed *are* the meek,  
For they shall inherit  
the earth.



# Verse:6

Blessed *are* those who hunger  
and thirst for righteousness,  
For they shall be filled.



Verse:7

Blessed *are* the merciful,  
For they shall obtain  
mercy.



# Verse:8

Blessed *are* the pure in heart,  
For they shall see God.



# Verse:9

Blessed *are* the peacemakers,  
For they shall be called sons of  
God.



# Verse:10

Blessed *are* those who are  
persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
For theirs is the kingdom of  
heaven.



# Verse:11

Blessed are you when they  
revile and persecute you, and  
say all kinds of evil against you  
falsely for My sake



# Verse:12

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad,  
for great *is* your reward in heaven,  
for so they persecuted the prophets  
who were before you.



# Tonight's Topic:

# “Kingdom Culture”



# Kingdom

(Greek: *basileia*, Hebrew: *malkuth*)

Refers not primarily to a *place*,  
but to a *rule, reign, or authority*.

It's the active reign of God.



# The Kingdom

- ✓ It's not a place, it's a power
  - ✓ It's not future only, it's present and eternal
  - ✓ It's not about membership, it's about Lordship
- \*The Kingdom is God's system of governance that brings Heaven's order into earthly chaos.



# The Difference Between:

## Domain

### Vs.

## Dominion



# Domain

Refers to a sphere of knowledge, activity or a specific area of territory.



# Dominion

Means sovereignty,  
control, or rule over  
territory.

(It's not where God rules, it's the fact  
that He rules!)





# Kingdom Characteristics:

- ✓ Spiritual (Not of this world)
- ✓ Righteousness (Founded on God's justice and holiness)
- ✓ Dynamic (Advancing and Expanding)
- ✓ Eternal (It will never end)



# Citizenship

• is The status of being a full member of a country, which includes a legal bond granting both rights and responsibilities, such as voting and following laws. It is acquired through birth in a country, parentage, or through a legal process called naturalization.



# Transferring Citizenship

When we accept Jesus Christ as our personal Savior, we are not just saved from sin; we are translated into a new kingdom- the Kingdom of God.





# Kingdom Citizenship

Being part of the Kingdom means living under God's rule, representing His authority, and manifesting His values on earth — righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit





# Kingdom Culture

The Kingdom of God has  
a culture.



# Kingdom Culture

A way of life that reflects the values, principles and character of God's Kingdom.

(Kingdom culture is Heaven's way of doing things on earth)



# Kingdom Culture

Kingdom culture is systematic,  
but not automatic!



# Kingdom Culture

The Kingdom of God operates by divine systems, consistent with spiritual laws and principles established by God from the beginning.

(God is a God of order, not chaos!)





# Kingdom Systems

- The Law of Seed, Time, and Harvest (Genesis 8:22)

What you sow, you will reap.

- The Law of Faith (Mark 11:22-24)

You receive what you believe.

- The Law of Honor (Matthew 10:41)

Honor gives you access to what you respect.

- The Law of Obedience (Deuteronomy 28:1)

Blessing follows obedience.

- The Law of Stewardship (Luke 16:10-12)

Faithfulness brings increase.



# Identifying my Culture

World Culture

Vs.

Kingdom Culture



# Identifying My Culture

## World Culture

- Self-centered
- Materialistic
- Division and Pride
- Conformity
- Temporary Pleasure
- Fear Based Living

## Kingdom Culture

- Christ Centered
- Mission Minded
- Unity and Humility
- Transformation
- Eternal Purposed
- Faith-Based Living



# Identifying My Culture

## World Culture

- Self Promotion
- Greed
- Pride
- Independence from God
- Compromise

## Kingdom Culture

- Servanthood
- Forgiveness
- Generosity
- Humility
- Obedience to God
- Holiness



# Mission of the Kingdom

1. To Rule- Establish God's authority in the earth.
2. To Reveal- Demonstrate Heaven's character in earthly situations.
3. To Restore- Bring humanity back under God's divine order.

\*We don't just go to church we bring the kingdom wherever we go!





# Mandate of the Kingdom

1. Teach them the principles of the King.
2. Train them to live under His authority.
3. Transform the world through Kingdom influence.



# Manifestation of The Kingdom

1. Through Christ:  
(Jesus is the embodiment of the Kingdom)
2. Through the believer:  
(Kingdom is manifested when we submit to his life by Kingdom principles)
3. Through the Church:  
(The church is an expression of the heavenly Kingdom)



# Building Kingdom Culture

1. Teach the System
2. Train the Mind
3. Transform the Behavior
4. Transfer the Values



# 1. Teach the System

In the Kingdom Culture, the system is not man made; it is the divine order and structure by which God's Kingdom operates on earth.



# The Kingdom System

- **The King-** God reigns supreme
- **The Territory-** The Kingdom extends wherever His rule is recognized and obeyed
- **The Citizens-** The believers
- **The Economy-** The Kingdom functions through faith obedience and sowing.



# The Kingdom System

- The Reign – (Authority)
- The Rule – (Structure)
- The Righteousness-(Standards)
- The Relationship- (Community)
- The Responsibility –(Stewardship)



## 2. Train the Mind

Training the mind requires rehearsal. Where there is no rehearsal, there will be no recital!



# 3. Transforming Behavior

Beliefs derive behavior. What you believe determines how you behave.

The mind is the control tower; behavior is the aircraft. When you change the control signals, the plane changes directions.



# Transfer Values

Values are the visible standards that shape culture. Jesus didn't just teach; He imparted values that produced disciples.



The Sermon on the Mount  
Is one of Jesus' famous and  
foundational teachings. It spans  
from chapters 5 through 7 and it  
lays out the constitution for the  
Kingdom of God-how citizens are  
called to live.



# Constitution

A body of fundamental principles or established precedents, according to which a state or other organization is acknowledge to be governed.



# The Beatitudes

from the Latin word *beatus*,  
meaning “blessed” or “happy”

**(The Attitudes to Be)**



# The Framework

There are eight Beatitudes that serve as the framework of “Kingdom Culture.” The beatitudes are not suggestions, they are systems that allows the Kingdom to operate and function correctly.





# 1. Humility & Dependence

Verse:3

“Blessed *are* the poor in spirit,  
For theirs is the kingdom of  
heaven.



# 1. Humility & Dependence

- To be poor in spirit does not mean financially poor, it means spiritually humble.
- It's the recognition that without God, we have nothing of eternal value to offer.
- It's the opposite of arrogance, pride or self sufficiency.



# 2. Compassion

Verse: 4

“Blessed are those who mourn  
for they shall be comforted.”



# 2. Compassion

## Spiritual empathy.



# Sympathy Vs. Empathy

- Feeling for someone's situation
  - I see your pain  
(Observation)
  - Offers comfort through distance
  - Stands outside the trouble
- Feeling with someone's situation
  - I share your pain  
(Connection)
  - Offers comfort through presence
  - Stands inside the trouble



# 3. Power Under Control

Verse: 5

“Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.”



# Meek

The word meek in the Greek (Praus) meaning gentle, mild, or humble in the spirit, but with strength, reserved for a purpose.



# Meekness

Is used to describe a trained warhorse. Strong, muscular and powerful, yet obedient to the rider's slightest touch.



# 4. Spiritual Appetite

Verse:6

“Blessed are those who hunger  
and thirst after righteousness,  
for they shall be filled”



# Spiritual Appetite

Is the deep, continual longing for the presence, purpose, and principles of God. The body needs water, and the spirit needs the word.



# 5. Compassion in Action

Verse: 7

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.”



# Merciful

The Greek word for merciful is *(eleemon)*, meaning to show compassion or kindness that relieves another's suffering.



# 6. Integrity

Verse:8

“Blessed are the pure in heart  
for they shall see God.”



# Integrity

Is the alignment of the inner  
and outer life.



# Pure (Katharos)

Clean, clear, genuine and unmixed. It implies authenticity; being the same person privately that you appear to be publicly.



# 7. Reconciliation

Verse: 9

“Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they shall be called the  
children of God.”



# Reconciliation

The restorer or restoration. To  
repair what was broken.

Resolving conflict through love,  
truth, and grace.



# 8. Endurance

Verse: 10-12

Blessed are those who are  
persecuted for righteousness sake,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of  
heaven.”



# Endurance

The capacity to remain faithful  
while under fire.



# Persecute (dioko)

To pursue with hostile intent.



# Persecution

Believers are not persecuted  
because of who they are. We are  
persecuted because of who we  
represent!



# Closing Thought:

Kingdom Culture is  
systematic not automatic.