

“The Gospel According to Luke:
What is the Kingdom of God?” (Part 2)
Luke 17:20-37 (v.22-37)

“The Kingdom of God is a major theme of the Scriptures. An understanding of the Kingdom of God helps us tie together the whole of the Scriptures.” (cf. Acts 1:3; 28:30-31) — Micheal Vlach

- Kingdom of God Basics:
 - **The Universal Kingdom:** as Creator, God has every right to rule, the Father rules over all that He has been created — and He actively rules and reigns over all things, accomplishing all His purposes.
 - **The Mediatorial Kingdom:** may be defined as the rule of God through a divinely chosen representative who speaks and acts for God. Its mediatorial ruler is always a member of the human race. God uses these “rulers” to reveal Himself and His plan of salvation, ultimately seen **in Jesus Christ**.
 - Jesus is King of a **spiritual kingdom** (John 17:3; Romans 8:2).
 - Jesus will also be **King over the Geo-political nations** (Psalm 2:8-9; Revelation 19:15; Zechariah 9:10; 14:9,16-19; Isaiah 2:2-4).
 - Jesus will also **be King as He restores all of Creation** (Isaiah 11; Hosea 2:18; Romans 8:19-22; Genesis 49:8-12; Psalm 72:16; Colossians 1:15-20).
- Luke 17:22-37:
 - A change of audience: *“And He said to the disciples....”*
 - The Son of Man: *“And to Him (Son of Man) was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.” (Daniel 7:14)*
 - So will the Son of Man be in His day: *“And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as light.” (Matthew 17:2; cf. Matthew 16:27-7:5; Matthew 25:31; Revelation 19:11-16)*
 - The Suffering of the First Coming: *“But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He thus fulfilled.” (Acts 3:18; cf. Acts 3:17-21)*
 - Just as it was in the days of Noah and Lot:
 - *“In the days of Noah and Lot there was great wickedness, no fear of God, a looming judgment from God, and a great spiritual apathy.”*
 - Christ’s earthly kingdom is associated with Judgment for those who were **unprepared**. (Matthew 7:21-23; 25:1-30)
 - Things will be lost for the Kingdom, but more will be gained. *“And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for My name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life.” (Matthew 19:29; cf. Matthew 19:28-30)*
 - Christ’s judgment at His Second Coming will divide the goats and the sheep: *“Then the King (Matthew 1:1) will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.’ (Matthew 25:34; cf. Matthew 25:31-46)*

Worship: Bless The Lord, O My Soul (Psalm 103) — *Sovereign Grace Music*

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms — *Various Artists*

Jesus, Strong and Kind — *CityAlight*

Closing Song: Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me — *CityAlight*

Service Times: Sundays: Sunday School 9/Prayer 9:45a/Church 10:30a; Tuesdays: Bible Study — Women 6:30p/Men 7p; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20p/Church 7p

Account Balance: \$66,429.76 December Balance: \$69,708.10 CD Balance: \$33,701.46 <i>December CD Balance: \$33,701.46</i>	Weekly Budget: \$4,176 Monthly Budget: \$18,097
Total Giving: January 4	\$5,246.03
Total Giving: January 11	\$1,312.00
Total Giving: January 18	\$5,344.68
Total Giving: January 24	\$3,330.00
Total Giving for January:	\$15,232.71

Announcements:

★**DONATIONS:** Please see the February Newsletter for more information about this collection.

★**LEGACY PRACTICUM COURSE:** Our next Systematic Theology Course will be "Hermeneutics" which is the Art (task) and Science (principles) of Biblical interpretation and will begin TOMORROW, February 9th, from 6:00-9:00pm each Monday in the Fellowship Hall. Interpreting and explaining Scriptures is a Science because it is guided by rules within a system; and it is an Art because the application of the rules is by skill, and not by mechanical imitation. This course is taught by Dr. Gary Kochheiser and will be 26 Lecture Hours Video teaching. If you are interested in learning and developing the right principles of interpreting the Scriptures, this course will help you. If interested, let Elder Richard know so a Syllabus can be prepared for you.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch TODAY, immediately following the worship service. Everyone is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!

★**NEW MEMBERS' CLASS:** If you are interested in becoming a Church Member, or have any questions about Church Membership, we are having a New Members' Class the next TWO Sundays, February 15th and February 22nd, at 9am. There is a sign-up list on the table in the Entryway, please sign up if you want to participate in this class. For any questions, please see Pastor Zach.

★**CHURCH GAME NIGHT:** Our Monthly Church Game Night is NEXT Sunday, February 15th, at Andy's house (1062 National Road SE; Hebron), starting at 5pm. Please bring your favorite board game or card game to play, and a food item to share with everyone. EVERYONE is invited to join us for this great time of food and fellowship!

★*For all other announcements, please see the February Newsletter!*