## Matthew 4:17

Kingdom Expectation Part 2

The Kingdom Prophesied (cont.)

## **Application of Matthew 4:17**

- 1. In the past some theologians have tried to distinguish between Matthew's "kingdom of heaven" and the phrase "kingdom of God," how do the following comparisons teach the same kingdom is in view e.g. Matt 19:23-24; and Matt. 13:31 with Mark 4:30-31; Matt. 19:14 with Mark 10:14 and Luke 18:16?
- 2. Trace the prophecy of God's King and Kingdom through the OT as the background for the kingdom expectation in the NT e.g. Is 9:6-7; 11:1-16; Jer 3:17-18; 23:5-6; 30:4-9; 33:14-26; Ezek 34:23-24; 37:15-28; Dan 2:28-45; 7:1-27; Hosea 3:4-5; Amos 9:1-15; Zech 9:9-17; 14:1-21 (see also the references from last week)
- 3. Summarize what the OT taught about the coming kingdom of God, including the future king, His rule (incl. the length of time and the extent of His reign), the features of the kingdom (e.g. blessings and judgements) and how the kingdom relates to both Israel and the nations.
- 4. Read the references in the NT (Matt 1-2; Luke 1-2; John 1:48-50) and consider how they continue to demonstrate the expectation of the Jewish people for the coming king and His kingdom before Christ and in His early years.
- 5. What are some spiritual **and** physical aspects to the kingdom you can identify through your study of all these verses in the OT and early NT?
- 6. How does this message and the Scripture references included in these notes affirm, challenge, or correct your view of the Kingdom of heaven/God?
  - a. Will you act as a Berean (Acts 17:11) to study this topic further?

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## Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date	Pastor				
Book	Sermon Main Points   KE			Other Bible References:	
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<u>Chapter</u>	The Kingdom P(cont.)				
Verses					
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God/Yahweh/ Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Israel/Jerusalem	King	Kingdom	Preach(ing)/ Prophesied
What is the m	essage about?				
How can you	do this?				
What/who can	you pray for?				
Draw a pictu	re related to the mess	age:			