Title: Kingdom Dynamics 1

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romans 14:17

For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

mark 4:35-41

³⁵ On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side." ³⁶ Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. ³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. ³⁸ But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹ Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" ⁴¹ And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"

a. His reign of peace

isaiah 9:6,7a

⁶ For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end,

b. how do we experience His peace

1. peace through trust

isaiah 26:3

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.

2. peace through the Word

john 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

3. peace through the Spirit

romans 8:6

For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

4. peace through prayer

philippians 4:6,7

- ⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;
- ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

5. peace through deciding

colossians 3:15

And let the peace (soul harmony which comes) from Christ rule (act as umpire continually) in your hearts [deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds, in that peaceful state] to which as [members of Christ's] one body you were also called [to live]. And be thankful (appreciative), [giving praise to God always].

c. sent to bring peace

romans 10:14,15

¹⁴ How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"

matthew 5:9

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

james 3:18

Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

matthew 10:11-15

- ¹¹ "Now whatever city or town you enter, inquire who in it is worthy, and stay there till you go out.
- ¹² And when you go into a household, greet it.
- ¹³ If the household is worthy, let your peace come upon it. But if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.
- ¹⁴ And whoever will not receive you nor hear your words, when you depart from that house or city, shake off the dust from your feet.
- ¹⁵ Assuredly, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!