

# God's Kingdom in the Whole Bible

The concept of God's kingdom is woven throughout the Bible. Jesus and the apostles taught and preached about the kingdom of God. Kingdom language arcs through the whole Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, defining what God's kingdom is, what it looks like, and the kind of King we have in Jesus. Studying God's kingdom helps us recognize our place in it today.

**AWARENESS** Before listening reflect on what you already know or understand about topics we'll cover in the episode.

- What do you know about the kingdom of God? How often do you think about it?
- How would you define a kingdom? How would you explain the relationship between a king and his people?



**LISTEN TO THE EPISODE:** [God's Kingdom in the Whole Bible](#)

**READ** [Acts 1:1-8](#), [Exodus 19:3-6](#), [Psalm 10:16](#), [2 Samuel 7:11-16](#), [Luke 19:37-38](#), [Isaiah 9:6-7](#), [1 Peter 2:9-10](#), [Galatians 6:14-16](#)

**REFLECTION** After listening, consider the following questions:

- The disciples struggled to understand what Jesus taught them about the kingdom of God, and often asked him about positions of power based on their earthly understanding of kingdoms. What do you think believers today struggle to understand about God's kingdom compared to our earthly nations and governments?
- In segment 2, hosts Darrell Delaney and Scott Hoezee traced the history of Israel as a nation and its rise as a kingdom in the Old Testament. In what ways was this discussion of the Old Testament history helpful to you as you think about how it connects to the greater biblical theme of God's kingdom?
- Near the end of the episode, Darrell said, "Any practical things we do out of worship and gratitude to God are evidence of the kingdom working in those areas." Think about your day or your life. Where do you see evidence of God's kingdom working?
- What does tracing the theme of the kingdom of God through the whole Bible teach you about God's faithfulness to his people?

**RELATED PASSAGES** for further study

[Mark 10:17-45](#), [Acts 28:30-31](#), [Genesis 12:1-9](#), [Exodus 1](#), [Luke 17:21](#), [Matthew 25](#), [Isaiah 49](#)

## CONCLUSION

God's kingdom is a biblical theme woven through God's story from creation to Revelation and continues with the Church today. At the close of the episode, Scott quoted the first verse of the hymn "[Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven](#)," written by Henry Francis Lyte. Reflect and pray through the words of the hymn as you think about the Kingdom of God. If inspired, consider composing your own verse that you would add to the hymn.

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