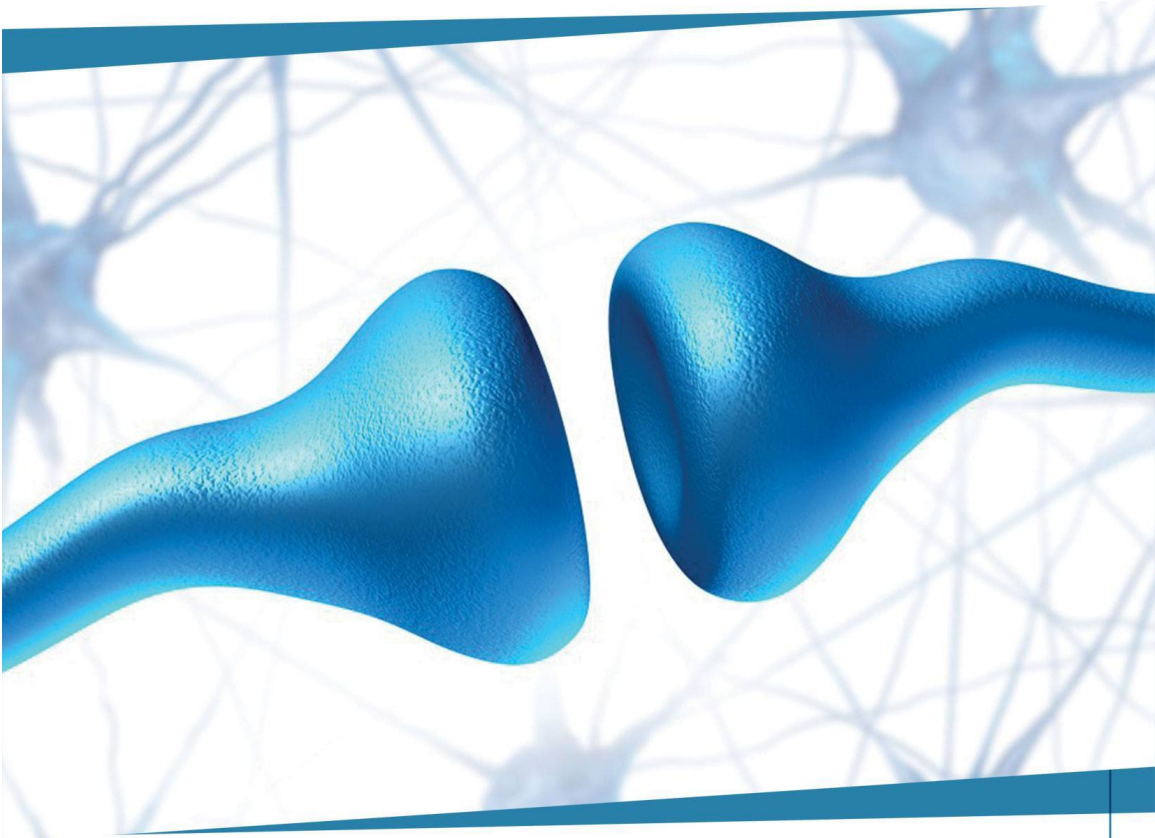


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Foreword

In the book of Proverbs the Bible states, “As a Man thinks, so is he.” The greatest problem in what we call the body of Christ, is wrong thinking when it comes to the Kingdom of God. This failure to grasp the concept of the Kingdom of God is amazing, considering it was the subject of almost every conversation Jesus engaged in. He prayed thy “Kingdom” come, seek ye first the “Kingdom,” except a man be born again he shall not see the “Kingdom.” Yet, many believers do not understand who they really are as Kingdom citizens and Ambassadors of a very real Kingdom. [CG1] This understanding has been clouded by religious thinking. However man never lost religion, he lost his Kingdom identity. In this book Mike Darnell clearly dispels misconceptions and takes the reader on a journey. A journey of correct thinking and concepts to ensure that effective Kingdom life is the result. [CG2] One of our greatest needs today is a return to Kingdom identity. Those who read this book will be well on their way to a new way of thinking where they embrace their identity in the Kingdom.

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Endorsement

Reprogramming by Mike Darnell

This book will truly reprogram your ideas, thoughts, philosophy and whole outlook on life. Mike is very passionate about the message of Jesus, the kingdom and has pursued the most prominent leaders on this subject and mastered it. Mike strongly believes that the bible is truly the standard manuscript for reprogramming and aligning the minds of individuals seeking an understanding of Jesus message. When Mike said, “To understand a message full of kingdom terms, concepts and stories that we must be RE-programmed in our minds, if we are ever going to see the things that all of the bible stories we read say can happen.” This book will bring you into understanding the kingdom so that you can reform any crime-infested communities, struggling states, and failing nations.

Mike is pure in heart, approachable, and diplomatic is his approach to presenting this good news of the kingdom to a world that desperately needs it. God has led you to this book, *Reprogramming*, so that your life will be purposeful and meaningful.

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Introduction

This book comes from a time in my life when just a few small adjustments changed everything that I could see and perceive about my life and the world. When I began to preach and teach as a minister, I had a great deal of training from some of the best leaders I have ever known. I was taught how to reach people, how to talk to God, and how to flow with the Holy Spirit. So many lives were positively impacted by the things I was doing as a minister. Then one day a man named Myles Munroe came into our church for a conference and dropped a bomb on the whole place. He began unveiling the truth about the kingdom of God in a way that had never been taught before. This term “Kingdom” was no longer just something being said. It became a real place, and a real country with a real government, that would impact my life forever. I immediately saw the bible and all of its contents for what it truly was, instead of what American cultural influence has created it to be. He taught for about an hour on the concept of the bible and defined the words by putting them back into the original Kingdom concept of God. My bible went from pages of black and white to a 3D color movie in an instant. My whole ministry, marriage, and direction in life shifted in that moment. It was an incredible day to say the least.

I began to study the bible and talk to God from this newly found perspective. I saw results happen fast! As soon as I grasped this concept myself, I began teaching it to people every time I stood on the platform anywhere, I went. I noticed something very strange though. Even though I knew this was the truth, many people still struggled to understand what I was saying. This wasn't because I am a deep man or lack the ability to communicate a thought. It was really because their lives, cultural perspective, and worldview did not allow them the insight to fully grab the concepts right away. For example, when I would say a phrase like, “Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Romans 10:13 NKJV). I could feel people missing the real meaning as they just nodded their heads like before. The problem was they didn't know what living under a Lord was about, or that being “saved” is not to be snatched from a fire and getting a ticket to heaven. The whole idea of the scriptures was an idea from God to bring His world to ours and leave his mark and image upon every part of it.

I continued with this teaching year after year. Until finally I felt the Lord say to me, you need to take some of these anchor terms that the bible and the Christian life has been built on and bring them to your generation with the original meaning behind it. Therefore, this book is not meant to be deep or to impress theologians or anything like that. It is purposed to meet a culture of people right where they are in their understanding of what they think the bible is, or what the ideas in it are all about. My hope and prayer is just as it happened to me, it would open a greater level of understanding; unleashing that level of potential and power that has been lacking in our world from the Christian community.

Let's face it, those of us born in the western world (especially the USA) have no idea what a Lord really is. The good news is that I'm going to cover that term as we dig deeper in the book. Our bible is full of kingdom terms, concepts, and stories like this that must be RE-programmed into our minds. Especially if we plan to experience the things that the bible stories are telling us can happen.

As we understand the Bible in its proper meaning, we'll learn to see our rights as Kingdom citizens and employ them to transform our lives. Healing, deliverance, and salvation are some huge examples of rights that belong to us in the Kingdom. They are necessary for building a nation of people that reflect the power, character, motivations, and compassion of Jesus to our dying and helpless world.

I'm glad you are reading this today, because these six concepts have been lost in our churches and our society. The idea for Re-Programming is my attempt to unearth the buried treasure of the bible, and let it launch you into your purpose in God's Kingdom. Let's Go!

Preface

It will take us restoring God's Kingdom mentality to destroy "evil kingdom systems" that run our world today. If you don't have the correct concepts for life and the world, then you will always misunderstand the purpose God has for your life. In turn you will naturally end up off track. I have heard it said, that when you have the wrong concepts about something you would surely have the wrong conclusions as well. In short, if you don't understand God's concepts or where God is coming from, you cannot go where He is trying to take you because the directions won't have any meaning to you. So, this book is for every person that has been faithfully following a Christian religion, or any other religion because it was your family's cultural belief, or maybe you have a fear of the future instead of a fundamental understanding and purpose for your existence. We will discuss some of the most pivotal concepts talked about in religion today and reprogram these original ideas into your mind to get you back to God's originally intended life of dominance. Think of this book as a software update or upgrade, because in a sense that is what it is. Though its content is intended to realign you to some very misunderstood and misapplied concepts in scripture, it is not meant to be very deep. It is meant to be a tool of revelation and an eye-opening experience for the reader. This tool is designed to bring back the life-giving power of the ideas God wanted you to understand when He first began. The only way to get back on track is to find the original mindset of God and re-download it back into your spirit. Essentially, it's having the mind of Christ, the King, reinstalled into mankind.

Get ready! This is going to shake you to the core. Everything you've learned in religious meetings and sermons will be challenged. By the time it's done, it will breathe fresh life back into you!

Proverbs 8:14-16 says "Counsel is mine and sound wisdom; I am understanding, power is mine. 15" By me kings reign, and rulers decree justice. 16" By me princes' rule, and nobles, all who judge rightly.... (NASV)

Dominance is a result of authority, wisdom, and understanding. It is what king's rule by. It is a mindset that guides you to the abundant life, and out of your religious frustrations of dead rituals and routines. We must work diligently at restoring a Kingdom mentality because it will elevate you above the circumstances, you're under, above the ups and downs of this world, and give you the power to reign over them. This was God's plan from the beginning of time. In fact, this mentality was mankind's original mentality, and the basis that God intended for you to be productive and prosperous in the earth. Regaining this mindset will shift your life back into alignment with God seeing effortless promotion, advancements, and breakthroughs. It's just a matter of transforming the mind through the process of repentance, then baptizing you by the constant dipping into the teaching and culture of the Kingdom until this "original state" is evident and the glory of God is revealed!

God wants you to have success in life, but that must be redefined and approached from God's mindset and idea of success. The focal message of the church today has shifted from what Jesus preached and mandated us to preach, to a relational experience with no real agenda. The purpose of every relationship is to produce something that could not be accomplished without the other part. An abusive relationship is not always one where one person is beaten verbally or even physically, but also one that is not used to accomplish the purpose for that relationship. All partnerships and relationships should have a purpose. A relationship that fails to achieve its purpose is the worst-case scenario relationship. The reason it is the worst case is that it affects more than just you. It affects other people around you too, because their lives are hurt or hindered by the ineffective use of your relationship with God.

God purposed His relationship with His people to produce a world that shared the same experiences and joys of His own world. He uses relationships to transfer His world into yours and plant His ideas into His people enabling them to produce His desired results. So, while God is seeking a relationship with you, He does not just want to hang out with you. He wants to literally join Himself to you and accomplish His ultimate purpose of getting His Kingdom into the earth. We must be careful not to promote a relationship with God without emphasizing the purpose for the relationship. Which is manifesting The Kingdom of Heaven into the Earth! Expanding the Royal Family.

While hanging out with God seems to be the goal of most relationships today, this concept is really better understood by the business world. When two businesses decide to merge or marry, they have a bigger and greater business in mind. God doesn't just want to hear your prayers and meet you on Sunday at your religious meetings. He wants to build, expand, and deliver the Kingdom Life to you through a deep and detailed relationship with Him.

Today the church is attracting crowds by larger numbers than ever before, but our world is not seeing things become Godlier focused and transformation of society is lacking. Instead it has become focused on conforming to the mere survival needs of an individual, staying alive, and enduring until Jesus comes to rescue us. We are not producing change in our laws and its social structure, but instead believers are being pushed into corners and told to have their spiritual meetings separate from the world. The world doesn't even mind if churches are gathering thousands, just as long as you don't bring your ideas into our world and try to change the minds of those, we are using to build our empire.

The device of the enemy has always been to change our "message programming" from being focused on the building of God's Kingdom society, to a religious message focused on escaping earth. This is a very dangerous pattern of thought because it is exactly what divides every group of people and religion, and effectively reverses our purpose for being created and sent to earth.

When people focus on getting out and becoming separate from the world, or worse conforming to it instead of invading and influencing it, then the enemy has made the true church impotent and powerless. We were not sent here as an experiment to see if we could be good and one day enter some form of paradise, heaven or reward for our work in this life. God's original plan was to colonize earth with the culture and Kingdom influence from Heaven, and transform it by imposing his personal will, intent, and desires.

You cannot have success without God's Kingdom at work in your life. Its power and plans are far better and more effective than ours because it is based on the ability of the King and not the people. The Kingdom is designed to empower us, defend us, provide for us, and establish us as the dominant force and cultural influence for heavenly life on this planet.

Reprogramming Question #1 - **Who is Jesus?**

Fame is something all of mankind seems to be pursuing. It seems to be a part of success in our world. People pursue fame and some achieve it by being idolized and imitated by fans and followers. They run their course and die, soon to be replaced by the next famous person to take over that spot. Except in one man's case. Who is this man? Jesus Christ. He is the most famous man to have ever walk planet earth, hands down! He is the topic of debate in all faiths, nations, religions and every news station. Just mentioning his name causes celebration in many places and war in others. This one man had such an impact on the earth that no one has been able take his place or reach the level of influence he has had. Just say his name around the dinner table with your family and everyone has a reaction, mention him at work and people have a certain reaction, mention him in a foreign country and people know who you are talking about. Love him or hate him, there is no getting rid of him.

It seems that mankind is on a quest to silence that name, and the more they try to eliminate his name the more it grows. This is nothing new of course. Since the day He began His ministry ruling authorities have been trying to keep His name from being mentioned. He is that famous, that influential, and His reputation continues to grow.

Because of His unending fame, all of mankind is forced to deal with the question, "Who is Jesus?" There is no escaping this question as many people and groups have realized over the millennium. Every group has been forced to find a way to categorize Him since there is no way to rid society of Him, His ideas, and His followers. Still, there can only be one Truth about who He is

After years of listening to sermons, studying many cultures, and traveling the world I still see that the main theme and most important thing people should know about Jesus is still widely unknown and untaught. This is the reason I am writing this section of this book. The truth about who Jesus really is, will prove to be a major key in how you understand the gospel of the bible. If Jesus is just a man, and not God, then our faith has no foundation. For those of you who believe He is God like I do, what if that was not the full revelation of His identity that you needed to know. All religions and all non-religious people have a God after all.

So, there needs to be something that can separate Him from the others and help explain why Jesus is so polarizing and captivating to all of mankind. Where should we categorize him in our lives? Not that you can categorize God, but that is what men do by nature to rationalize what goes on in the world.

Agnostics can't deny him, but can't explain him, so they reject him as God and only give him credit as a good moral teacher.

Catholics believe He is God, but not the complete payment for your sin, because you still have to do things to be accepted by God and add to what Jesus did for you on the cross. Muslims believe he was a prophet, but not the true Son of God. In other words, He was just a great man sent by God. Most Christians believe that Jesus is the Son of God and savior of the world. Still, all men and people around the world are struggling to define this man. Therefore, the life that Jesus claimed He would give you; we are struggling to receive. All worldviews and religions have a God and master, but if Jesus is the real God, then why??

Although many of these groups struggle with getting the complete revelation of who Jesus is, He has heard these varying opinions before.

Matt 16:13-16 (AMP) 13 Now when Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, who do people say that the Son of Man is? 14 And they answered, some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets. 15 He said to them, but who do you [yourselves] say that I am? 16 Simon Peter replied, you are the Christ, the Son of the living God.

One day Jesus even asked His own disciples about this. They answered and said that people were calling Him a prophet, or John the Baptist, or Elijah and Jeremiah. So, then He asked them very sharply, “Who do you say that I am?” Keep in mind that Jesus is about to build His church and turn over His ministry to these guys, so how they see Him is critical. Peter spoke up and said, “You are the Christ,” which means man anointed as King. Then Jesus responded to Peter that He was blessed by the Father to receive that revelation.

Now because of this revelation Jesus said He would give him the “keys of His Kingdom.” This meant that whatever they bound or loosed from now on should be exactly the way it was already set in heaven. In other words, in heaven (our home country) there is a culture and way of life that earth should be governed by as well. Until Jesus was viewed as a King, and not a prophet or just a man sent from God, then they were not ready to be the leaders or pioneers of this new church. So, Jesus the King must be at the center of your ideas and teachings of this man in order to begin seeing the keys of the kingdom that will change your life, your city, and the culture of our nations.

JESUS IS A REAL KING

So, what is the most important and transformational truth that is still yet to be accepted and known to men in most of the world today? Jesus is more than a good man or a prophet, but in fact He is a King! Though many have tried, nobody can dispute that He lived. All historians agree that the romans crucified Him. In order to define who Jesus really is, I think it is important that we don't begin with historians or critical popular opinions, we should start with His own words about who He is.

When asked specifically about whom He was by Pontius Pilot, the prefect of Rome in Judea, Jesus stated that He was not just a man but indeed He was a King with a Kingdom that was not from the earth.

(NASB) John 18:37- Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say correctly that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

Most people know Jesus came and died, but the reason He was crucified is the biggest piece of His true identity that Satan has tried to veil from believers. Jesus was killed because He was claiming to be a king in a land that was occupied by the Roman Empire. The impact of this kind of statement Jesus made has lost its influence in our world today, because all remnants and concepts of kingdoms have been lost. Governments have now been dominated by the ideas of democratic rule for most of the modern world. This means that people are making the decisions based on their logic, their intents, and their own self-seeking plans. It basically means that people can choose the system and approach to ruling themselves without approval from God at all. The new idea ruling the day is that we can just use our own judgment to solve matters and order our lives. The result of that has been devastating as you can probably see. Our communities continue to implode because we are trying to satisfy all people groups and opinions instead of satisfying God. When man's rules and policies become aligned with God's, then the result will be the Kingdom culture of Heaven and lifestyle of Heaven lived out on the earth.

That statement from Jesus really got Pilot's attention. Up to this point in the conversations with Jesus and his religious accusers, it had not motivated him to even consider a punishment. In fact, if you recall in the story Pontius Pilot tried to release Him, but the people chose to release Barabbas instead. The Pharisee's made one final plea to kill Jesus by saying to Pilot, "This man is a King and a threat to the Roman Empire, and if you don't crucify him you are no friend of Caesar our King." See killing a King would bring war on Rome, and so I believe this is why Pilot hesitated to act.

John 19:12 (ESV)- From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar."

You must understand that a king is much different than any other type of ruler. By Jesus saying He was a king, and that His kingdom was not from here, meant that He was here to overtake the Roman Empire by setting up a new Kingdom in its place. See kings never coexist with other kingdoms, they conquer them. Rome conquered Israel for example, because their king wanted to rule that land. Jesus was coming to free men from their bondage to sin and pay the ransom required by God that all criminals must pay who commit the crime of treason against God (which is death). Although Jesus who knew no sin, He became our sin so that we could become His righteousness and enter His Kingdom (2 Corinthians 5:21).

Like I have already mentioned, religion is flexible with other governments and ways of living, but Kingdoms are not. Religions and other people groups want to coexist, but Jesus does not. Jesus is not interested in taking our side but taking over! See as King He thinks like a king and is interested in ruling over his enemies, not living with them in peace and harmony. The reason the world is in such chaos and confusion is this idea of "coexisting." Our churches are full of the world's music, the world's language, and their ways of thinking. I can't help but be upset every time I scroll on Facebook and see another church singing one of Beyoncé's songs and just adding Jesus to the lyrics. This and all behavior like this are not relevance, but they are coexistence and trying to gain the approval of men. It's funny to me how focused we are on getting the world's acceptance by any means instead of getting God's. The only way these Kingdom ideas can be implemented in our churches is by getting a revelation of Jesus' position as a King. But for the most part this concept is not yet understood. People call him king but have not given Him the place of rulership in their lives. People are missing the concept of King's in their world. So, their conduct, and approach to God, and response to what God wants is wrong. We respond to him as if he is just an advisor to our plans instead of the originator of them. In God's Kingdom He is the creator, inventor, and master designer of the creation. This means that when he says obey my commands, it is because He knows the way he programmed His creation and success depends on following the instructions based on the design for it.

Think of it as a computer program and how it works. The same way a computer programmer types commands into a computer system, and then the computer carries out the programmer's command without an opinion or a suggestion. The computer is designed to carry out the work of the programmer not the other way around. If the computer executes the command properly, then the desired outcome is achieved. However, if the computer does not execute the command, it is malfunctioning and in need of repair.

That is why we lack success and a healthy society and environment today. We are the computer who has decided to rewrite the programming for our use and our purpose for being built. If we would see ourselves as a product created in the image of the creator and made to operate just like Him and only for His purposes, our lives would change instantly. You can't do things against the designed intention for your life and expect good things to happen.

A King's desire is to provide His entire citizenry an experience and lifestyle identical to His own. To know what He knows and teach them the secrets and principles to His kingdom. These laws or principles guide a Kingdom society into a state of Righteousness, Joy, and Peace in the Holy Spirit (Romans 14:17). This idea is exactly why Jesus made this statement to His disciples, "I will give you the secrets of the kingdom, and whatever you bind shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose should only be what is already loosed or allowed in heaven" (Matt 16:19 paraphrased). In other words, you must duplicate heavens policies into your world, and you will cause the manifestation of the Kingdom of God without leaving the earth and going to heaven. These are the thoughts of a King who desires to give His Kingdom to His people. Essentially a King wants to look out of His window and see His own image reflected in all the people. The strength, wisdom, and wealth of His majesty looking right back at Him and His children living an abundant life.

You should be eager to learn more about Jesus' message of Kingdom living and His Kingship. Once you realize Jesus is a King and begin to understand how Kings think, then Satan has no chance to fool you again. Listen, as King, Jesus is extremely motivated to bring your level of life up to His level. This is because if Jesus allowed you to stay defeated then His own reputation as your King is tarnished. His entire mission is to fill the earth with His image and glory. This means to have the full expression of His Kingdom alive and visible on the earth. We should seek to grasp this idea that a king's name and reputation is His motivation to keep you living in the good of the land, above and not beneath, and lending not borrowing. See God didn't come to condemn you, make you look foolish, or make you look like a failure, because the status of His people determines His reputation as King. He came to lift you up, wash away your sin and shame, and transform your earthly thinking into Kingdom thinking. This is why you need to be reprogrammed to know Him as King. If he calls you His own child and citizen, but then spends His time condemning and working to see you fail, then He is working against His very own plan and purpose. A King that is divided against himself will have a fallen kingdom that cannot stand (Mark 3:24).

PASTORS AND TEACHERS SHOULD EMPHASIZE JESUS AS KING

The greatest area of emphasis for all of our pastors and teachers should be focused on Jesus as the King. People know Him as savior and they still struggle. They have heard that He was the redeemer and they still struggle. Maybe the toughest concept to obtain is Jesus as the King because we just have no experience living under a King. If we don't begin teaching and reintroducing people to Jesus as the King and showing them what living under a king's rule looks like, then we cannot expect His Kingdom to come or His will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Remember only a King has a Kingdom to send or give to a people. Pastors, religious leaders, and political activists do not. They only have opinions. Unless preachers are ready to get educated on Jesus as the King, and see the bible as a Kingdom book, legal document, and instructions to transform ordinary people into kingdom citizens with a throne mentality, we can stop praying that His Kingdom would come on earth. Without a King you cannot receive the power of a Kingdom. Period.

Jesus says it very plainly one day to his students that he was declaring or conferring upon them a kingdom, just as His father declared it to Him (Luke 22:29). Now you can see why Jesus said this. Only Kings can confer kingdoms onto people. This still may not be hitting you yet but let me keep going. If Jesus is a King according to your bible, then you must be the one He is giving this Kingdom too. Did you ever think if He gave you a Kingdom then you now are a king? This line of thinking immediately affects your identity and self-image. You can't be depressed when you see Jesus as a king, because everything you were depressed about is now solved and taken care of as a result of your new status. Kings take personal possession of the people, the land, and everything in his Kingdom. For example, if you owed people money, now the king owes them that money because you are not in charge of your own accounts. If you were living in fear, now the king takes your fear and gives you his boldness and spirit of power, love, and sound mind. When you have a King ruling over you, then you have the right to cast all of your cares on the Lord and receive the new life that this king offers (Psalm 55:22). When the only thing you know about Jesus is that He saved you, you will only feel confident about getting into Heaven while life on earth remains Hell. But when you realize that He is more than that, then you have confidence in every battle, every circumstance, and every challenge because you have learned to turn over all aspects of your life to the King. When you walk in a King's wisdom, strength, and in His favor, you are literally unstoppable.

Understanding this biblical concept of kings, you should now perceive the rest of the scriptures more accurately. For instance, Paul said that as Jesus is, so are we in this world (1 John 4:17). So this means that if Jesus is a King then so are we. If Jesus is healthy, then so are we. Jesus is not suffering from depression and He is not confused, nor are we. The cause of our error is bad and incomplete teaching that continues to fail at transforming people into citizens, thinkers, and agents of effective transformation for their communities, cities and states. If we continue to pack church buildings with people and only teach them the Jesus that saved them,

then why would they ever be interested in becoming a new nation or believe they have the right to change their circumstances and enjoy a new brand of life. Kingdom life!

Yes, Jesus prophesied, evangelized, and taught, but all those things were functions or roles he played to prove that He was the King. We should not box Him in to one group or denomination, Christian or otherwise. The only thing that separates Jesus from the crowd is when you crown Him King in your mind, just like it is already a reality in Heaven. Every religion knows about Jesus, but this world needs a King!! King Jesus!!

RE-PROGRAMMING PRINCIPLES FROM THIS SECTION

1. Jesus is a King- everything He does comes from his Kingly Mentality.
2. Kings never Co-Exist in a territory. They take over completely.
3. Kings are the only type of rulers that have Kingdoms to give someone else. They can elect who will receive it based on their own will. No counsel or votes to see who will receive it.
4. Kings desire to become great. Meaning they expand their image and likeness to as many places as possible, to serve as many people as possible, and see as much of their own values and lifestyle reflected in their possessions as they can. Displaying their glory for the benefit of the people.
5. A King is not just an advisor for our lives, He is the informer and guide into His own designed plans for our lives.
6. We are designed for His works, not our own plans.
7. A King's desire is to provide for His entire citizenry an experience and lifestyle identical to His own. Righteousness, Joy, and Peace.
8. Every religion knows about Jesus, but this world needs their King. King Jesus.

Reprogramming Question #2 - What is the Bible Really About?

I still remember the first bible I ever bought for myself. I had just begun attending church as a young adult and thought, “Well I guess I need a bible if I am going to be going to church and learning about God.” On my next opportunity I headed over to the local bookstore. As I pulled up, I was nervous to be going into a bookstore to buy a bible. I never ever thought this day would come. I walked inside and went to the religious section where the bibles were located, and there I looked for the cheapest copy I could find. I still have that bible with the blue cover and tiny print written in the King James translation. I took it everywhere with me. To church, to work, in my car, and everywhere I went. Even though I didn’t understand anything in it yet, I read it constantly asking God to help me find the truth about life. I even remember the first feeling of victory I had with my bible. One day in church my pastor said, “Turn in your bible to the book of Romans,” and I knew it was somewhere near the back part of the bible. Even though there are many bible “apps” and online versions available, I have a special connection to the written version because of that day that I bought my first bible.

Today you may be like me the day I bought my first bible. I spent less than \$10 on it and thought I purchased a book about a Christian religion. After I discovered what it was about, I was awakened to a life I never knew existed. The bible is not about what people think it is about. It is much more powerful than you’ve imagined. So, let me share with you what I discovered!

There are many versions of bibles. Every religion has a bible, and in Christianity there are many versions as well. I believe in the 66 books of the Christian bible, but the original purpose and context of its content are badly misunderstood. So, before you pick up a bible and begin to read it, or as a minister teach from it, it is so important that you know exactly what you are dealing with. I don’t say that to be critical, but it is clear from watching mankind impose its beliefs and values onto the bible, that they don’t understand its message. It’s easy to make it say what you want it to and justify lifestyles and activities to fit perverted and sinful behaviors. As I listen to many ministers today, it is also clear that they were just raised in religion. They themselves have no idea the subject matter or intention of God for having the bible written out. We all agree the bible is inspired by God and can be relied on, but let’s just make that clear before we continue.

Here is a verse that clarifies this point:

2 Tim 3:16-All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

First, the bible is God's idea and given by God to equip mankind for His earthly work. Even Jesus himself makes many references to the written and spoken word of God. Jesus' first confrontation on earth with the devil makes mention of both, but the written word is the dominant weapon He uses to defeat the devil. Even the devil refers to the power of the written word. (See Matt 4:4-11)

You must understand the message your bible is sending if you plan to apply it to your life. This is not a book about many different topics. It is 66 books about 1 topic. Now when you attend church or even bible college you will hear some amazing preaching on things found in the bible that are given emphasis, but in many ways, it's the reason we are not seeing societal transformation the way we should. **The bible has only one idea in it.** The establishment of a city that had the same governing infrastructure as Heaven, so that the people could experience the same results and life on the earth as it is in Heaven. This mission motivated Jesus to make His entire ministry about this one idea. In fact, when teaching His students how to pray, He said make sure you pray for the influential power of the Kingdom to be set into motion on the earth and shape it into the same condition as Heaven (See Matthew 6:10).

WE MUST TEACH WHAT JESUS TAUGHT

The problem is mankind is not following this teaching or in touch with Jesus' concept of transformation. If man followed this blueprint for his life, his family and governments would align themselves with Gods ordinances producing Heavenly life now. Meaning, it wouldn't be something you have to die to experience but would be a natural result of this order.

Since the bible is about this one thing that Jesus was consumed with, then why do we still have so many variations of Christianity? Why are there so many teachings in church every week about how to avoid the dangers that plague the world? I mean, Jesus Himself could have warned people about plagues, famines, and disasters in the world as the biggest challenges to overcome but He didn't.

His warnings were about wrong messages, false teachings, and the misguided messengers who brought them. The importance of knowing the message your bible is teaching, and God's intention for these teachings are vital to an effective and accurate Kingdom life. If you have the wrong concepts and the wrong teachings, then you will certainly have the wrong outcomes in life. As you look around, you can easily see that mankind is searching for the truth and experimenting with new ideas, new policies, and new society structures. However, nothing is working. Even attempts with new discoveries to create a better world fall short and leave men more confused than when they began. All these attempts are failing because of the misuse and misappropriation of the bible. The bible is God's written "will" and "operations manual" to accomplish His mission for creation.

THE BIBLE IS A CONSTITUTION THAT GIVES US KEYS TO AUTHORITY

The bible was given to us as a book of keys. These keys were to empower man or authorize man to rule again, just as Adam did before the fall. Mankind would be responsible for initiating God's plans, and to forbid anything that could prevent or hinder those plans.

Essentially Adam had the power to put away any threat to God's agenda. The bible is mostly directed to believers and predominantly pointed to revealing God's mind and how to apply his laws. Each story in the bible connects God's works throughout the history of man and follows the people of God through His attempts to establish the Kingdom again on earth. Every word and phrase are packed with living breathing revelation that was penned thousands of years ago but is still as fresh as the morning dew. The bible is truly unlike any other book because it is alive, and its content is never outdated. God's plans never need updating, people however need reprogramming from time to time.

Since a heavenly society of citizens is God's plan, then the bible will have to serve as a guideline or standard for people to see the heart of the creator for them. This is important for today's modern world to understand because now people are starting to disbelieve that a man can give an objective or unbiased point of view on what is right or wrong for society. What should be a crime, or what should be considered a perverted lifestyle, and what should just be seen as different? Furthermore, the bible is a record of God's integrity to His own beliefs, which never change. Meaning, what God was against in the book of Genesis, He is still against in the book of Revelations. Things that would abort His plans for creating mankind on day one is still illegal and rejected as normal lifestyles today. See, we can't change what is written to fit our lives or personal desires because as His creation we were designed to thrive under specific principles and ideas.

God's words will not change no matter how many people disagree. As the creation we were built to thrive under the specific principles of our creator or suffer self-destruction when we go our own way and ignore these guidelines. **The bible is the only source of laws and principles consistent enough to be trusted for all people or nations to govern their lives.** When followed those nations will see the blessings of God released over them and cause them to thrive as a people and society. Perpetual righteousness, joy, and peace will be over those nations that call God their King.

Psalm 33:13 (NIV) Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD

Another major purpose of the bible is to explain the heart of God and His original intention for His creation. His mission statement is found in Genesis Chapter 1:26 and is a verse I review nearly every time I pick up a microphone or speak to anyone about the Kingdom of God. It says this:

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creep upon the earth (Gen 1:26- ASV)

You also must see the bible as a constitution. What is that exactly? *Definition: a body of fundamental principles or established precedents according to which a state or other organization is acknowledged to be governed.*

Amongst many other things people miss when picking up a bible for the first time is the fact that they are reading a book full of legal terms. Terms you would hear from an attorney in a government building downtown, or in a courtroom during a trial. Terms like government, righteousness, King, nations, law, judgments, commandments, armies, ordinance, principalities, rulers, and we could go on and on.

The point is that the bible is not a religious document but a legal document. It is in fact the written constitution for God's Kingdom that explains the plans for the country and the rights and promises of the government of Heaven. It is to the citizens what they can expect from the Kingdom of God as the presiding government over them, but also what is expected of them as the citizens to the nation. In fact, when you see the bible as a legal document then you can also assume that anything you find in it that says God will do something for you, He must legally do according to His own constitution.

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See the words of Jesus in:

John 15:7 (NIV) 7" If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

See when you live under a King, the laws of the country are created out of the very heart of the King. His own mouth passes his beliefs, values, and desires for the people as law to the whole nation. No votes, no middleman, no red tape. When He speaks it becomes a decree, and He must uphold His word and everyone in the Kingdom must enforce it as well. God is so integrated with His word He often tells His people to go get His word, bring it to Him, and then He will do whatever they are asking Him. The bible serves as a type of "common law" document. This type of law was an English idea that ruled from the King's court and instantly became a "common law" in all His other realms at the same time.

Those under His rule in a foreign land, or a colony, would study stories, or what is known as case studies, to learn the mindset of how the King made this decision. It made laws fast and efficient. Therefore, the bible is put together in stories instead of telling every single event in history. It is meant for us to study as common law students and apply the same principles to our lives today.

THE BIBLE REVEALS CLEARLY GOD'S INTENTION FOR MANKIND

God wanted something to be clear to every reader of the bible. That was that His will, or original intention for creating mankind, was to have a representation of Himself to manage and rule all His works of creation (See Psalms 8:6-8). **We can clearly see here that God's motivation for creating man was His need for earthly administration and rulership to carry out His Kingdom expansion plan.** So to inspire people to write His will down in a book, shows a solid unwavering commitment to this one idea of expanding His Kingdom into another place through delegation and representation.

For the scriptures to come alive and have meaning to you, you must read it from that perspective and context. God wants to duplicate the world of Heaven into the territory called the earth. Now every story you read, and every character you encounter, and every battle that is fought will be placed back inside the right context and pointing you back to what *God's ultimate outcome should be. Jesus stated it this way, "Your will be done on earth as it is already established in heaven" (Matt 6:10 Nkjv). Today we might say it like this, "EVERYTHING DONE ON THE EARTH SHOULD FOLLOW THE BLUEPRINT THAT IS FOUND IN HEAVEN."*

Even when Jesus hits the scene in the flesh in Matthew's Gospel, that one idea God had in Genesis with Adam, is still the front and center theme of Jesus' ministry. To show the priority of Jesus' ministry the bible records His first public message after being baptized by John. "Repent for the Kingdom has arrived" (Matt 4:17). Meaning, the idea that God intended to be manifested, and His goal for man, was back on the earth with new legal representation just like it was with Adam before the fall from his disobedience.

Although following Jesus through His ministry in the Gospels has too many examples to talk about them all, let me make one more reference to just reiterate my point that the scriptures are all about one idea. One day after performing many great miracles, Jesus tells everyone His very purpose for coming to the earth.

Luke 4:42-43 Jesus said,

"I MUST PREACH THE KINGDOM OF GOD TO OTHER CITIES ALSO BECAUSE THIS IS THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH I WAS SENT" (paraphrased).

His words were a response to their desire to make Him stay permanently with them in that town. Jesus however remained mindful of the one idea and one thing He was sent to the earth to do, which was the same "one idea" that God sent the first man Adam here to do. Establish the Kingdom of God on the Earth and produce the same experience in this territory His words were a response to their desire to make Him stay permanently with them in that town. Jesus however remained mindful of the one idea and one thing He was sent to the earth to do, which was the same "one idea" that God sent the first man Adam here to do. Establish the Kingdom of God on the Earth and produce the same experience in this territory as it is experienced in Heaven. The bible holds consistent, that even Jesus was sent because of God's desire to expand Heavens culture to the earth.

In today's world we have books, e-books, blogs, newspapers etc. Jesus was saying I must take this message and spread "this one" message to many more people to fulfill my mission to the earth. The message of the Kingdom in those days was passed to people mostly through verbal teachings because writings were not as easily duplicated and available in mass quantities as we have today.

THE BIBLE KEEPS KINGDOM RECORDS

The bible must be perceived as the written records of the history of God's desire to accomplish this idea of Heaven duplicated on earth. Within it are mankind's many failed attempts and self-imposed detours, rebellions, and mistakes. You will read of wars, evil kings, and the downward spiral of many people groups and societies just like we have today. Even through all the mini themes throughout each book of the bible, you should be able to track why God is doing what He is doing. From Genesis to Revelations, the main idea is intact.

Mankind, on his search to accomplish the good life that was lost, has tried many substitutes and experiments to regain control of things. There are many people throughout history that have come up with alternate ways to bring you peace, riches, and the promises of a great life. When man starts pulling bible principles out of context and mixing them with the doctrines of demons or their own views, they come up with very misleading teachings. This also can result in many other religions being formed. Therefore, many people are misled, even in our churches today. Nobody can see clearly what is right, wrong, good or bad, and the moral waters are very foggy. We are not sure how God feels about things and whose side He is on.

To sum this section up, it should be clear that God is very focused on His one single agenda to duplicate Heaven into the earth as an exact copy. These keys will result in enabling us to experience rulership, leadership, and dominion in life just like God does in Heaven. **Man was created and intended to live the abundant life. The bible is a blueprint of God's original intention, man's failure, God's awesome love, and the redemption of man. The focus is still on restoring him back to God's original intent of having the Kingdom.**

Luke 12: 32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

REPROGRAMMING PRINCIPLES FROM THIS SECTION

1. The bible is God's idea and given by God to equip mankind for his earthly work
2. The bible has only one idea in it. It is 66 books about 1 idea.
3. The Expansion of God's Kingdom to earth.
4. The bible was given to us as a book of keys or standards to establish a certain type of community. A Kingdom community
5. Another major purpose of the bible is to explain the heart of God and His original intention for His creation
6. The Bible is also a constitution.
7. The bible is NOT a religious document but a LEGAL document full of legal terms.
8. Every biblical story points to God's original plans. That the will of God would be accomplished on the earth just as it was already established in heaven.

Reprogramming Question #3 - What is Salvation?

One day as I was scrolling down my Facebook newsfeed I noticed that one of my high school friends had posted several anti-God statements on his wall. At first, I wasn't sure if he was trying to be funny, or if he was really taking a strong position behind these statements. After seeing these types of posts more frequently I decided to reach out to him. I wanted to ask him about his posts, but before I could even get a dialogue started, he began unloading profanity and what he believed were absolute facts about the bible, God, and Christianity. I found out that he was an atheist during his rant. One of his biggest reasons for his strong beliefs against God was the idea that a God who is supposed to be good, would damn mankind to eternal hell and torture him for not being perfect. He didn't want a God like that. I wasn't offended personally because the ignorance was so obvious. He quickly un-friended me before I could really respond. It just reinforced the importance to me of teaching people the real idea and concept of salvation from the Kingdom perspective.

Whether you are a Christian, an atheist, or anything in between you have heard people say that you need to get "saved." It was probably introduced to you in the form of an insurance policy to keep you out of Hell just in case you die today. Well, if that wasn't how you heard it pitched to you then consider yourself in the minority. Most people who call themselves Christians believe this concept of salvation, because that is the idea that they were taught. In fact, just to see what people understand about salvation, I have asked many Christians the question, "Other than getting to Heaven, why do you need to be saved?" With blank stares they say, "Well I thought it was to prevent me from going to hell." Sadly, I get this same answer from many pastors.

The truth is for Christianity, and most denominations, the destination of heaven or hell has become the driving force behind every sermon preached. Even for many of the new "modern" churches that focus on entering a relationship with Jesus instead of a religion, the reason given for that relationship is so one day you can enter heaven and avoid hell. Salvation is being used as the motivation to get a person into Heaven, and then they must stay saved after getting saved by good behavior. If they do not maintain a Godly life, and do not sin, they will get into Heaven and stay "saved." Basically, this is how we plan to draw people to God and keep people in church, but it is not working.

We are not always willing to admit it, but this idea of salvation is greatly responsible for the negative response people are having to Christianity today. This idea of salvation is not accurate because it is incomplete, and that is why so many people around the world seek to join other religions and have no interest in Christianity. Most of the world has the same question as my atheist schoolmate I talked about before, “How could a good God send people to hell just because they make mistakes?” Even the Christians who go to church every week are mostly going as a ritual to maintain their “salvation.” In the meantime, church attendance has been reduced to relationship maintenance trying to please an angry God who can’t wait to condemn you. While Jesus has been reduced to the guy you must meet to get back to heaven. From all these facts I have concluded that we have a lot of work to do to re-program society to think correctly.

WHY AREN’T PEOPLE GETTING SAVED

The reason why people are not getting saved is like the many other questions we discuss in this book; it cannot be correctly answered without a Kingdom mentality and context. Understand this first, God is not merely trying to get you “saved” to allow you entry back into heaven after you die. In fact, **God isn’t trying to get you back to heaven at all.** Mankind was not created to be judged or need salvation from hell. “Saved” as it is called, was man’s original position with God from the beginning. Adam was in a state or condition of perfection and wholeness. God created man for dominion of earth (see Genesis 1:26). Adam was sent to earth from heaven, but not as an experiment to see if he could prevent a fall into sin and win against the devil. **Adam was elected by God, sent to rule the earth, and to be the administrator of God’s Kingdom cultural development process on this planet.**

What is salvation? What are we saved from? Why do you, who are reading this book, need to get saved?

Let’s look at Jesus’ life and ministry to help us understand His idea of salvation. You may find it very different from what preachers are talking about today. His method or path to offer salvation was not by preaching “you must be born again every week” as we do. His one focus throughout the entire recording of His ministry in the Four Gospels, and even at the beginning of the book of Acts, was to teach His students about the Kingdom of God.

He only mentioned the terms born again once, privately, in the middle of the night, to a religious ruler named Nicodemus. Not to mention it wasn't a sermon, but rather a response to a comment made by Nicodemus. Even then the context was the means to realize or experience the Kingdom life, not to leave earth and go somewhere else for good behavior or the adaptation of religious laws and rules.

In another context you can see that salvation is clearly the restoration or return to a former state and repositioning of a person back to the correct or originally intended place of purpose.

Matthew 1:21 (NIV) - She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

This word for sin, is the Greek word hamartia, which means to miss the mark originally intended to hit, or to break God's law and remove yourself from a right position with a government. In this case it was the Kingdom of Heaven.

One of the best places to start understanding the concept and idea of salvation is to know what the danger of sin is. If you tell me, "I want to save you," then my question is, what from? That is why the world isn't knocking the doors of the church down. They are saying, "Hey, what do I need saving from because we don't see the danger." They live life by their rules and love their perverted ways, even though their life is based out of fear and avoiding misery. My belief is, they embrace darkness until the light of the Kingdom attracts them.

Adam was given a gift at birth, and like most kings when they have a child it is not by mistake. When you see a child born in a Kingdom that is proof that a gift is already prepared. The question is, what do kings give their children for their birthdays? The answer is a dominion. A dominion is a territory that is prepared for the heir of the crown to inherit when he comes into the age and maturity to possess it. This is what God gave Adam. When you read Genesis, you notice right away that God did not create the man first, He created the gift first. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, Adams dominion. This was the domain that Adam would soon inherit to exercise his dominion.

SALVATION WAS KINGDOM RESTORATION

When Adam sinned, he was declared an enemy of the state and guilty of high treason. This resulted in "the fall" of man or the independence of man from God. Here lies the reason you need salvation. Adam lost control over his dominion, not his religion. Adam fell from rulership, not "pastorship." Adam lost his heavenly citizenship rights, which can only be lost with a capital crime like high treason. The punishment for this crime was death established by God in Genesis 2:16-17. God promised to send a savior to man to reverse this curse and restore what was lost.

Genesis 2:16- 17 The LORD God commanded the man, saying, “From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die.”

Most people misunderstand why Jesus came, but the reason for His coming is found in his name. As mentioned before, the name Jesus literally means “Savior.” His purpose was to seek and save that which was lost. Notice, he came to save that which was lost, not them that were lost. Meaning, Jesus’ purpose was to come and restore or save the dominion that Adam lost. This was a loss of his citizenship and his headship, and he became a foreigner and stranger to the Kingdom commonwealth territory. Adam essentially lost every right to rule and control over the earth and the things on it. The bible says that through Adam’s offense there was a new king named death that reigned, but through Jesus those who received the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness would reign in life (See Romans 5:17).

WHAT WAS THIS GIFT OF SALVATION, REALLY?

There is much more to this idea of salvation that we’ve missed. I’m sure you have heard a sermon at some point that told you salvation was a gift, right? Well, my question is what was this gift? Without knowing what the gift is, we cannot properly use it, can we? Therefore most people living today dislike religion and have no motivation to join in it. But I agree with Jesus that if people ever found out what God was trying to give them; they would come running to the church to get it.

In the book of Ephesians Paul reveals what the gift of salvation is. This will confirm and establish to you what benefit you can expect to receive. In chapter 2 you can see that the result of the fall of man was mankind without Christ, and subsequently without hope in the world. You can also see that the reason they didn’t have hope was because they were in the world without being connected to the riches and the blessing of the commonwealth of the Kingdom (Ephesians 2:12). The reason this is a problem is because it is hard to fulfill your purpose without the resources needed to fulfill it. Adam used to be able to speak to something, and it had to do what he said. He had the dominion authority to do that. Now when Adam spoke things no longer responded, and he was looked at as a stranger to what he once ruled over. **Death is really being disconnected from the Kingdom of God and being made alive means you have been recognized again by your government.** In other words, the bible says that as a sinner you are already dead to God. Meaning you are not recognized as a righteous law-abiding citizen in His Kingdom and cannot receive the rewards and benefits the Kingdom gives to its citizens.

To better see my point, let’s look at another part of Ephesians at the word salvation (see Ephesians 2:8). It is the Greek word “sozo” which literally means to keep in health, to restore, and keep safe from all destruction. In other words, your salvation was to give you the security, ability, and power to stay in the earth and do business for the Kingdom of God.

It is the reinstatement of legal status with the government after the penalty for a crime has been fully paid.

The plan of salvation is only relevant in this temporary part of your life on earth. Nobody in eternity needs to be saved, nobody in eternity needs to receive Jesus as savior, or hear a sermon on salvation. Salvation is a solution for an earthly problem. Think of it this way, only people that are in prison need to pay a debt for redemption.

Look at this example with me in Ephesians 2:12:

12 that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

It is plainly put that at that time you were an alien of the commonwealth of Israel. This means that the real concern for an unsaved person according to the bible is not their destination of heaven or hell, but rather their position with their government while still on earth. The warning at the end of verse 12 is to give people access to the promises of God and hope in this world. Jesus brought you back into fellowship with God by His blood, which allows you to live the Heavenly life on earth and retain your position of dominion once again.

This still leaves the question, “So what is the gift of salvation?” If you skip down to verse 19 of Ephesians Ch. 2, you can read the gift that God gave you through Jesus.

“Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.” (Ephesians 2:19)

SALVATION, NOT JUST A TICKET TO HEAVEN

Basically, these scriptures explain salvation not as a ticket to escape earth, but it is the power and life being given back to man to rule earth again. This means you were not saved by grace to get back to heaven, but instead you have been saved and restored to citizenship of God’s Kingdom. This is where we get the idea of righteousness. It is when a person is realigned legally and correctly with authority from their government. Even more, salvation not only gave mankind citizenship but also, he became members of God’s own household again. This means you who were once dead are now alive to constantly receive from your King again!

We will further discuss citizenship in another part of the book, but basically citizenship is important in a kingdom because it is the power of that Kingdom transferred to a person for a duty to be performed. Basically, a citizen in the Kingdom can act on God's behalf and do business. A demon doesn't have to respond to a church member, but he does have to respond to a citizen. The power of a citizen is not just his ability to go get something to leave his life, but rather in his power and authority to summon something and it must come

Jesus said it this way; a citizen should pray thy Kingdom come to the earth as it is in heaven (See **Matthew 6:9-10**). Citizenship is the most important status a person can carry in a government. This status holds more power than the title of president of the country itself. How you say? Think about it, the president and all the government officials work for the citizens. Wait till election time and you will see who has the power. No matter how bad that president wants to stay in the White House, he will be allowed or disallowed that privilege by the citizen's decision. He represents the citizens; they don't represent him.

SALVATION IS COMPLETE KINGDOM CARE

In God's Kingdom it is a more powerful concept. When you get saved you become God's citizen because He chose you, not because you elected him. This also means that you now represent Him, and He will gain a reputation based on the life and status of the people He chose to give salvation-citizenship too. So as a saved citizen God is committing to keeping you healthy, well, and prosperous because of His own reputation. represent Him, and He will gain a reputation based on the life and status of the people He chose to give salvation-citizenship too. As a saved citizen God is committing to keeping you healthy, well, and prosperous because of His own reputation.

As a citizen you are cared for by the King himself. In a kingdom the King's reputation is the most important thing to him. He is determined to be a great King by how well he can serve and care for his citizens. As a citizen you can look at the things you have messed up, and the things the devil throws at you, and call on the King's defense. Saying to the King, "This doesn't give your name a good reputation, and I'm calling on you to defend me." Citizens are the reflection of the King's power and wealth. If the citizens are broken, they think the king is broken. If the citizens are prospering and in good health, then they believe He is a great King.

You were dead as a foreigner but have been made alive through the blood of Jesus Christ. What this really means is, the reason why you couldn't seem to overcome the enemy in your life is you had no power or right to do so. You were dead to God. However now when you speak all of Heaven is moving with you again. Your legal power to move things and cast out those enemies of sickness, stress, and fear allow you to conquer them in the name of the King, Jesus Christ.

Let's never forget what salvation is about. Many times, Jesus used the phrase, "It Is Like," before He described the Kingdom to people to give them a real-world example to help them understand the power. That power was not for heaven, but to be activated here and now!!

Now that you know that, you will see the rest of your bible completely different. It is not an escape book from earth to heaven. It is a legal book to dominate earth through heaven.

REPROGRAMMING PRINCIPLES FROM THIS SECTION

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2. Adam was elected by God and sent to rule the earth, and to be the administrator of God's Kingdom cultural development process on this planet.
3. When Adam sinned, he was declared an enemy of the state and guilty of high treason. This resulted in "the fall" of man or the independence of man from God.
4. The name "Jesus" literally means "Savior." This reveals His purpose to mankind.
5. Once you know what God offers you through salvation then the purpose will be revealed as to why you were created, and the meaning and fulfillment of your purpose can begin.
6. Death is being disconnected from the Kingdom of God and being made alive means you have been recognized by your government again.
7. Salvation not only gave mankind citizenship, but also, he became members of God's own household again.
8. When you speak all of Heaven is moving with you again, and your legal power to move things and cast out those enemies of sickness, stress and fear allow you to conquer them in the name of the King, Jesus Christ.

Reprogramming Question #4 - What is Heaven?

I will never forget my first experience hearing about this idea of Heaven. I was sitting in a Baptist church as a visitor with some friends from the neighborhood I grew up in. I can still hear that Baptist preacher passionately convincing everyone in that room that this might be their last chance to get their name written in this book that heaven has along with the other people who decide to accept Jesus as their savior. I was so convinced by his plea, that what he said that night really stuck with me. Even though I didn't live Godly for many years following that day, I did live with this idea that heaven was a place that people who live a life with good behavior, good deeds, and go to church get to go live after they die as a reward. It's the place where you sit on a cloud, play a harp, and eat grapes while flying around with wings and a halo for all eternity. It's also a place that you must wait to get to in the afterlife.

That day, as an 8-year-old boy, I rushed down to that alter and did what I saw everyone else doing. Not even really knowing if I did it right. I just didn't want to go to hell, which according to his message was a destination of eternal torment and fire for those who didn't get saved. They took these ideas of heaven and hell and made the case that this is why you needed Jesus; so, you could "GO" to heaven, and not to hell.

I had very few trips to a church after that as a kid. I just never felt like I was good enough for church, and not real sure that I was what they called "saved." This idea of salvation had no real security in it. I had to go every once and a while to make sure I was still going to get in when Jesus came back.

As I grew up and went through my childhood, and then my teenage years, I lived like a delinquent. I sold drugs, I hung out all night in clubs and bars, and embraced the world's ways with open arms. I did not know Jesus as a person, I just thought I was hanging on to my salvation that I got that day in that Baptist church. I would live life by certain principles that built a hell for me to live in, and then looked forward to hopefully getting into heaven by perhaps doing a few more good deeds than bad ones. It never hit me until much later that if I could build a painful life, then I must be able to build a pleasant life. I never waited on my pain, but it seemed my joyful days were always far off.

Until one year on Easter when I wandered into Redemption World Outreach Center in Greenville, South Carolina. Ron Carpenter, who is the pastor there, was preaching a message about the blood of a man who died for me to transform my life now without waiting for heaven when I die. He had my attention with that because I tried everything else and was still so empty and lost in life. I lived struggling to find any level of success and meaning for my own existence. I battled severe anxiety and depression and fought feelings of suicide. I thought that if I died and went to this place called heaven, then that would be better than living here. I just wasn't sure if I would get in with the way my life had turned out.

Hearing this news about a life on earth that could be successful, I continued attending this church and met the real man, Jesus. My life began to be completely transformed by every message. Week in and week out I went every time the doors were open. I didn't even care what kind of meeting it was. I went to the fellowships, the worship services, and the outreaches. I just needed more of this empowerment. I began serving faithfully for a year or so before I felt God's call to enter the ministry. I entered the program to become an ordained minister with the recommendation of my ministry leader and began traveling doing missions to several countries and nations across the world. I taught about this man who could change your life right now and empower people to live for Him. Life was so good!

I thought that life couldn't get any better, but I was wrong. I will never forget about two years later when a short man from the Bahamas came to our big annual leadership conference by the name of Myles Munroe. He began to talk about this man named Jesus, I had already been serving for 2 years, in a way that I had never heard. This new revelation set me on fire! He taught that my Jesus was a King of a Kingdom, and He wanted to give it to me. Not when I earned it and get to heaven as a reward, but right now on the earth. In fact, that was His plan from the beginning. That moment a bomb dropped in my spirit and everything made sense. I felt completely bamboozled by all the preaching that I had heard, because nobody had ever explained God's Kingdom to me. What happened that night eliminated every question I had about the bible and filled in every blank. Every concept in the bible became so real and so powerful. He explained God's big idea for all of creation, and suddenly I realized that we as Christians had a huge hole in our message. I remember how my eyes opened to Satan's clever scheme to change the message we all preach from a Kingdom focus to focusing on just living a good life. I felt immediately responsible to begin telling the world that we must change our message back to the original message in order to see change come!

WHERE DID YOUR CONCEPT OF HEAVEN COME FROM?

Heaven is indeed the most popular place desired to get to and talked about by people around the world. Nearly every people group on the planet that I can think of has an idea about this place known to most people as heaven. Every religion teaches it differently. Denominations and churches even use it as the main source of motivation for good behavior, church attendance, and loyalty. However, what if I told you that when you pick up your bible and read what Jesus said about Heaven, you would find a very different idea than what most people tell you about. In fact, these ideas of heaven are very incomplete and, in many cases, defiantly wrong according to scripture. The damage that is caused with these kinds of teachings is causing the church massive setbacks every day.

Where did you get your concept of Heaven? A religion, your home and upbringing, or maybe your culture defined it for you. Untwisting the falsehoods that are taught worldwide is tough, but let's dig a little deeper here.

First off, there is the idea of Heaven being a reward for earthly rituals, traditions, or practices. It has affected and even produced many religions. Causing more death and destruction than good. Terrorist believe it is a paradise for killing innocent people. Though they don't think these people are innocent, but instead enemies of their god. Some cult organizations teach you to isolate yourself from the world, and then drink some poison juice they made to get their faster. They all try to honor a code of conduct and sacrifices or fulfill certain duties to ensure them a spot in this paradise. I have heard it called Heaven by the Christians, paradise by the Muslims, and nirvana for those who attained enlightenment by the Buddhist religion. Everybody has their own form of the perfect after life, and a system to get you there. Somehow none of these ideas were convincing enough for me to buy into. The focus of the afterlife being better is a result of the current life being painful. Let's face it, all men are searching for real security and that is only found in the Kingdom of God.

The fact is if Earth tasted like Heaven, and the experiences of Heaven were experienced in the earth, you would not be trying to escape or leave for any reason. That's why Jesus never taught you to pursue heaven. Jesus never preached about you going to heaven or that you should be waiting on heaven. Jesus taught you to pray that heaven comes down to earth. Jesus demonstrated Heaven's power to impact things on earth. Jesus never did what many preachers do today like telling a sick man to wait on his new body in heaven. He gave it to Him right then. You shouldn't be sitting around your whole life performing duties trying to earn heaven through any means of effort or work. Everyday people are living in fear, insecurity, and uncertainty. They love religion because it gives them some sense of peace that there is a better life after this one in a place called heaven. I never liked the uncertain things like that. Jesus' guarantee was different in that you don't have to die or wait to experience this life. He made it very clear in this statement to the people standing by listening to his teachings, "Many of you standing here right now shall not die before you see the Kingdom!!"

Luke 9:27 (ERV)27 Believe me when I say that some of you people standing here will see God's kingdom before you die."

Jesus did not make people wonder, hope, or wish they would one day get a better life. His message was a "now" message. He wanted to make it clear that His Kingdom was ready to experience now. Religion says that everything good is being earned by your work and postpones the Heavenly reward for that work for a later time. For instance, healing is for later, prosperity is for later, peace is for later, and joy is also coming later. But the Kingdom of Heaven is the exact opposite and sends its messengers to proclaim it's here and it's available now.

Like I've mentioned already, we must change our perspective of Heaven because it affects the way you approach life. Heaven is our blueprint, not a destination. Heaven is the model or prototype we build our lives and our world from, not the backup plan or destination at the end of our earthly experiment.

When Heaven becomes the source for your purpose, you gain confidence in what you are doing in life. It changes your job to your work, it changes your friends to your co laborers, and it changes your marriage from companionship to a purposeful union of change. Most of the world has been taught that heaven is a destination, and that is why the earth is in such duress and malfunction. People all over the world are struggling for answers to major problems. They experiment with many solutions for change and relief, but still grow worse. What if they finally understood that heaven held the blueprint that every man should build his life upon, and that they could have the answers now? When heaven becomes a guide for building healthy people, then the potential that is in all of us will be released.

HEAVEN IS AN AUTHORITY AND TREASURY FOR EARTH

The impact of these newly discovered principles were so compelling that I had to do my part in telling as many people as possible about them. I am writing this book to help explain some of the cornerstones to our faith through the Kingdom context, so that you too can fully understand your bible and be empowered through it. If you are a pastor, it is imperative that you understand some of these familiar concepts by putting them back into their proper context and get understanding of their purpose. This book is a perfect textbook for a discipleship or a new member class. If we can build our foundations correctly, everything God does in your church or ministry will remain stable and effective.

When we try to understand our bible and the terms in it, we must be careful that we don't see it through the concepts of the life that we live in now. The bible is written by a King with a Kingdom in mind. Expanding that Kingdom through his own children. It is in more danger of misinterpretation and misapplication now, than it has ever been because of the cultures that now exists on the earth. There are very few traces and concepts of Kingdoms in the United States today to help us comprehend the bible's message. People are living in societies governed by the ideas of other people, and what they think makes sense in staying relevant to our current times. If we don't search and uncover the truths that Satan has tried to hide from us, then the world will continue to abuse the gospel and religion will continue to hurt people.

The truth is that the bible is a book about a country called Heaven, a King named Jesus, and His kingdom. It is about a plan to expand that Kingdom to a new territory called earth. A plan to expand the royal family and inhabit this new territory and rule it for the glory of our King. Everything in the bible is about this one idea of Kingdom expansion. Every concept from the fall of man and Adam's sin to the work of Jesus Christ on the cross and blood that was shed was about this one idea. From Genesis to Revelation, it is all about God's plan to look at the earth and see a perfect mirror reflection of heaven.

SATAN HAS REVERSED GOD'S PLAN IN MANY CHURCHES

Ironically Satan has effectively used our own churches to reverse God's plan. He wanted to make sure man was so busy packing up and getting to the bus stop for God to come and pick him up, that he never found out what he was here for. It never was about leaving earth at all, having good performance, or earning anything. In fact, it's not about religions, going to church, or singing hymns. It's not about the cross, the blood, or faith. All those things are necessary to restore mankind back into operating in Kingdom life, but they are not the subject matter. Instead, it's about living through a birthright and inheriting an inheritance. It's about receiving a life and administration of the Kingdom on the earth. It's about man's dominion over the earth. This is what we need to restore, because Adam didn't lose a cross or a religion. He lost a Kingdom. As we uncover and recapture these original ideas of God, you are going to see clearly who you are, why the church is so important, and be more empowered to bring change and transformation in your life, your family, community and even the world. We can't be effective Kingdom administrators if we think our goal is to teach people the subtopics instead of taking them through the main point of these steps into the Kingdom! I know these things are shocking your brain right now but keep reading because it gets even better.

The concept of Heaven has caused a big mess, but let's dig a little deeper. You are not designed for Heaven at all. When God made man, He made him for earthly rule. Not to sit around and wait for heaven while being graded and judged on every thought, every action, and every word. While there are streets of Gold in heaven and gates made of pearl, God has never tried to motivate people to seek this place as their destination. In fact, Jesus prayed to God that He would not take you out of the earth, but to leave you here and protect you from the evil one. You were put here on purpose, to effectively rule, and oversee the process of duplicating and cultivating a heaven right here and now.

John 17:15 My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.

Heaven is what most people know as the place of bliss, perfection, and reward for a good life. Some people see Heaven as almost a fairy tale land of gold streets, pearly gates, and mansions. Many people say that they died and visited Heaven and came back to tell people how amazing it was and how they can't wait to go there again someday. However, when you begin to understand God's original plans and motivation for creating earth, it gives you the correct concept of Heaven.

THE ORIGINAL IDEA OF HEAVEN

Let's look more at the bible concept of Heaven. There are several words used throughout the bible for the word Heaven, but the concept of Heaven is completely missed.

Genesis 1:1- God created the heavens and the earth.

1. As the visible universe, the sky, atmosphere, etc.
2. Heaven is the treasury- a treasury is set up for a person or a country to pull out or withdraw resources from for their purpose or interest. Deut. 28:12- I will open the treasury.
3. Jesus prayed and the Heavens opened, and a voice and a spirit descended like a dove.
4. Heavens are storage places. All blessings in Heavenly places- Ephesians 1:3
5. Even the Heavens are owned by the Lord, the king, but he gives the earth to men. The bank account is the Lord's to be accessed by the people.
6. You can record words in Heaven and earth: heaven is also a library for records.
7. Earth is the Kingdom of Heaven for man, Heaven is the source of the Kingdom of Heaven. Heaven is God's habitation.
8. God doesn't live in the Kingdom of Heaven; God is the Kingdom or government of Heaven. Meaning, He rules Heaven by his own ideas and beliefs and power.

Here is Adam's very specific instructions by God that the church has lost focus of. The bible's history starts with God giving Adam dominion.

Genesis 1:26- Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." (NIV).

With these words God revealed His big plans to Adam, and His purpose for creating him. You can see that Adam was created not to "escape" earth, but to dominate, subdue, and fill it. Contrary to popular preaching and books, he was not told to earn a trip back to Heaven or even think about leaving one day. Adam was given a government mandate from God to work from the spot He placed him in, called "Eden," and fill the earth with this Heavenly environment. Adam was a Heavenly colonist sent to the earth to transfer the world of Heaven into the territory called earth.

Wow! That is not the story you heard in Sunday school growing up. In fact, that will not be the story you will likely hear in your church this Sunday. Most churches are focused on polishing people with a belief that God is grading his every move, so he can make it back to Heaven one day.

In fact, getting saved and the concept of salvation has been the driving message behind church growth, without giving anyone a clue as to why they are saved. What was the purpose for getting saved? If you ask your friends, and most of the pastors at church, they will tell you it's so you can get into heaven one day when Jesus comes back. That in my opinion is why believers are not doing what they have been called and mandated to do. We are saved and packed up waiting for our trip to Heaven. Meanwhile the earth gets darker and more out of control, and believers are so scared to confront any evils with truth. We are called to influence change in our families, communities, cities and nations. When we sit around in our little buildings having church waiting for Jesus to return, we are not doing what God intended. We were not created to hide and wait, we were created to get inside the world and impact it, influence it, and make it just like heaven.

Again, this escape from earth according to scripture is a wrong belief. God doesn't want man to leave the earth at all according to Jesus. Here is one of Jesus's prayers to God one day.

14 I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. 15 My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. 17 Sanctify them by[d] the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. John 17:14-17. Adam was designed with earthly rule in mind.

When God created the man and instructed him to have dominion, He meant it and Jesus confirmed it. Here is another old testament example that will help turn this upside-down concept of us going to Heaven back to us dominating earth. When you are preoccupied with getting back to Heaven, you have no time to focus on occupying earth. Jesus told his disciples to "occupy" earth and do business until he comes, not until it's time for them to leave.

(Luke 19:13 KJV) And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

For this is what the LORD says-- he who created the heavens, he is God; he who fashioned and made the earth, he founded it; he did not create it to be empty, but formed it to be inhabited-- he says: "I am the LORD, and there is no other. (Isaiah 45:18 NIV)

Then according to Isaiah, God's very intention for creating the earth was to fill it with heavenly people and make it a habitation for God. **Earth was not intended as a waiting room for Heaven, it was a territory for the Kingdom to expand into.**

GOD WANTS HEAVEN COMING DOWN TO EARTH

God is so committed to bringing His Kingdom to the earth. So much so that after the Kingdom is preached to the whole world, and the end comes, God is going to restore this idea by creating a brand-new earth and putting in it a new city called the New Jerusalem. This city is where God will begin the Kingdom Mandate of eternity again. It is coming down from heaven into a new earth, not sending you up to it. In other words, the King will be reunited to His bride so they can expand the royal family on earth.

Rev 21:2 I saw the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

Think about it! If God was going to bring you back to Heaven one day, why would He need to make all things new (Rev 21:5)? Heaven doesn't need any new things. The "new things" are God's work He will do in the earth. Again, the bible says that Heaven was for the Lord, not people.

Psalm 115:16 (NRV) Heaven belongs to the Lord, but he gave the earth to people.

Finally, you need to understand that when Jesus said to His disciples, "When you pray, do it like this; Our Father who is in Heaven..."

Your Kingdom Come, your will be done or accomplished on earth just like it is in Heaven (Matthew 6:9-10 paraphrase).

He was restating the desires of God to give man the Heavenly experience on earth. He was not saying that we should ask God to come down from Heaven or move Heaven into the earth. The word "as" means to duplicate that life and culture in our territory, so we can live like you. That is how we were created to live. The life that believers should live can only be accomplished when we stop accepting every culture and unleash Heavens culture. We no longer need to wait for an escape but move into the chaos and bring change!

Even though we should be moving into the chaos, this doesn't mean we need to start bullying people or become violent. We are God's people and we do things differently. We can stand for the purposes of God with great power and courage, and still show the love of Jesus at the same time. Make no mistake, our King is not soft! When sinful man rejects his ways, turns to evil, and breaks down the moral fabric of our families and communities, it's not time to just sing songs, it's time to be firm and let them know we are prepared to do whatever it takes to change our communities.

We are not here to mix cultures, take sides, or coexist until it's time to go to Heaven and escape this terrible place. We were sent to influence people from a higher standard, to dominate, subdue, and make earth just like Heaven in the name of the King! We cannot allow the world to label us as just another religion and push us into the non-profit sector of the filing cabinet, while they tend to the earth's affairs. That is the reason the world is still convulsing in pain. They are waiting for the sons of God to be revealed, and not the "Christian religion" to thrive. You are recipients of royal power with the purpose to change this world.

To apply this idea, let me just encourage you to stay rooted and plugged into your church. This is God's training center for the saints, and the place He does business through. It is Heaven's embassy, or outpost, where God sends messengers from after they are equipped and ready to go.

Get involved in your community and city's affairs, local governments, boards, and share the Kingdom principles in these arenas. You don't even have to say you're a Christian. Just show up with the wisdom and discernment of your Kingdom. Trust me, your ideas are the solution when they are the same ideas as God's. You can change things by the wisdom and favor of God.

REPROGRAMMING PRINCIPLES FROM THIS SECTION

1. Heaven is responsible for most of the lifestyles that men and women in every religion and belief system live by.
2. Jesus never taught you to pursue heaven. Jesus never preached about you going to heaven or that you should be waiting on heaven.
3. Religion says that everything good is being earned by you and is in another place and it's for a later time, but the Kingdom says the exact opposite. It says it is here, and now!
4. Heaven is our blueprint, not a destination.
5. Earth was not intended as a waiting room for Heaven, it was a territory for the Kingdom to expand into.
6. Think about it! If God was going to bring you back to heaven one day, why would He need to make all things new (Rev 21:5)? Heaven doesn't need any new things.
7. The life that believers should live can only be accomplished when we stop accepting every culture and unleash Heavens culture.

Reprogramming Question #5 -

What is the Kingdom Idea of Giving Tithes and Offerings?

Do you ever ask yourself, how am I going to pay for the dreams in my heart? How am I going to leave an inheritance for my children? How am I going to just get through the next cycle of bills? If so, you need to study this chapter carefully because this principle will be the only way you can accomplish things that are bigger than your own salary and leave a legacy.

One of the most misunderstood concepts that need to be redefined is tithing. Tithing is a concept that is used in the bible regarding God's economy. It is something that carries a tremendous power, to not only change people's lives, but can also shift the standard of living for entire communities! Sadly, only small portions of believers understand and practice this principle. Before I dive into the biblical explanation of tithing, I want to share with you my first experience. This one experience proved to me the real power of this idea!

Being a brand-new believer, and freshly saved for only a matter of weeks, I still had some serious questions about the way God does things. I understood why God saved me. But as I sat in my little duplex apartment looking at my financial struggles and quality of life, I didn't quite understand how He could possibly use me for anything in His Kingdom.

At this time, I had a job that paid \$9 an hour. I was always broke, running up credit card bills just to buy groceries, and struggling to meet the bills each month. I didn't have enough money to support a family, to buy a house, or start a business. If God had told me at that time to buy somebody lunch, I couldn't have done it. I remember thinking how in the world would these great purposes and plans take place that God had for me? Then I heard a message about this idea of tithing in church one day and it had me thinking. The pastor talked about the passage in Luke chapter 19. He explained how God gave the stewards money to put to work for His Kingdom, and not for you to work for it. This was interesting to me because I didn't know God even had a plan to fix my finances. As the pastor worked his way from this story to the principle of tithing, an inspiration began to rise in me. Somehow as I listened, I knew this was true. The trouble with tithing was that I had never set aside ten percent of my income for anything, much less to give to my church.

The next day I went back to the warehouse job, where I worked at the time, and asked one of the guys there, who was a church goer, about this tithing thing that I heard about at church. I said, "Hey! When the pastor says its tithing and offering time, and they collect money, what does God need it for?"

I told him that I heard the pastor say it would change your life, and God would take care of you, but I wanted to know if it was true. The guy looked at me and said, "If you choose to do this, God will bless you more than you could handle." I said, "Really," well nothing else was working in life so I just might give it a try then.

As my next pay day rolled around, I knew God was daring me to test his tithing principle. I couldn't see any way out of my situation, and I couldn't stop thinking about the message the pastor had preached on it a few weeks before. I had a problem though. My power bill was due. If I paid the tithe, I wouldn't be able to pay the power bill too. In this moment I was absolutely convinced by scripture, but absolutely terrified to do it. Regardless of the fear, I decided to test God and see if He would help me pay my power bill if I became a tither. My check was very little in those days, only making five hundred dollars for two weeks of work. I cashed my check and took out fifty-five dollars. Fifty dollars was my tithe, and then five dollars was an offering to God.

Monday, I woke up knowing I didn't get paid for another two weeks, and my power bill was due on Friday. Later that week I was blown away when I got a random call from a man who said, "Hey, I wanted to give you one hundred dollars just because I was thinking about you." This was my first time understanding how consumed God was with me that He would have people thinking about me so much they wanted to give me money. I was amazed at how fast this principle had worked! Putting God first and obeying His way of handling money, with no way at all to pay this bill, not only paid it. It left me with a little more than what was needed. Wow!

I thought this was amazing, but maybe it's just a coincidence. This pattern continued for the next few pay cycles where I tested God week after week. I saw immediate returns and proof that God was watching and rewarding me for trusting Him. See the tithe is about your heart, not your money, and God wants the heart to trust Him. People randomly calling me wanting to give me money and pay for things that I didn't even tell them about, continued to happen. Even to this day it does. I began traveling to other countries to preach and do missions work as a minister. I had people paying the full expense for me to go, instead of raising \$3000 for airline tickets and all the travel costs. God was showing me how to disconnect from my limited resources and connect to His unlimited abundant resources.

The next several weeks were nothing short of amazing, but God wasn't done. I received a great opportunity for a new job that paid me almost four times the amount I was currently making. I kept applying the principle, and my tithe went from fifty-five dollars every two weeks to me putting hundreds of dollars in every week. I began to laugh every time it was offering time at church because I felt like I had a secret connection with God, and I would put in as much as I could just to see what God would do. I didn't even fully understand the principle, but I just believed it and went for it. After that I became a tither and have never considered not doing it ever again. In fact, tithing is ten percent, so technically I wasn't just a tither because I never brought God just ten percent. I was way above that.

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TITHING IS TAUGHT AS A RELIGIOUS DUTY, NOT A KINGDOM BENEFIT

Tithing, like many other biblical concepts, gets taught mostly as a religious tradition for God to bless you. Therefore, only ten to twenty percent of believers do it. When you feel like you're paying for a blessing, why wouldn't you just keep your money and buy the stuff yourself? Others have been taught to tithe and do it faithfully, but still see no power from doing it. Why? Because the tithe is a matter of the heart, and God doesn't want you to do it out of obligation or of necessity. Do it out of understanding of a kingdom principle and culture. You are to do it with a cheerful heart as a response to God's grace. If you are religious in your understanding of tithing, you think of it as a duty to be a part of your church or denomination. Some churches even post the names of those who tithe on the board in the sanctuary or lobby to give credit to those who are giving. All these things are religious in nature and try to guilt people to keep giving to God. Sadly, many churches use fear tactics and threats against those who don't tithe. They misuse scriptures or use harsh words to try and get them to tithe.

It's time to understand tithing and the power that God is offering you. When you learn this, you can do it cheerfully and with confidence in God's Kingdom Economy.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS ARE ABOUT RUNNING A GOVERNMENT

In order to understand the tithe, you must first think of Heaven as a country, not a destination for good people. You must also think of Jesus as the King of this country and understand what His very purpose for coming to earth was. After all, Jesus did bring a government to earth according to the bible, not a denomination or religion.

Isaiah 9:6-7 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

This is key to understanding the tithe because a tithe is only relevant or makes sense when dealing with nations, not religions or churches in the religious sense. For instance, in Malachi chapter 3 God was angry because He said the people robbed him, but they couldn't understand how God could be robbed. The Holy Spirit instructed Malachi write these verses. Highlight the word nation here because this is critical to understanding who God is addressing.

(Malachi 3:6-12) "For I am the Lord, I do not change; Therefore, you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob. 7 Yet from the days of your fathers You have gone away from My ordinances and have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," Says the Lord of hosts. "But you said, 'In what way shall we return?'"

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8 "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. 9 You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation. 10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the Lord of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. 11 "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," Says the Lord of hosts; 12 "And all nations will call you blessed, For you will be a delightful land," Says the Lord of hosts.

THE UNLIMITED POWER OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Yet still people feel like they are just paying God for a blessing. I have heard many times people thinking, "Well if God is so good, then why would he allow people to go hungry? Why are members of churches having their lights turned off, or struggling financially in other areas?" The truth is that the tithe activates an exchange rate for participating in a new countries economy. Every nation requires a customs duty when you are moving into that country. They give you the rate of exchange of your goods and money for what it equates to in the new country. Therefore, a tithe should never be considered a debt or a negative thing. However, it should be considered a radical unfair exchange of your limited ownership of the amount of money you have, and the place of connection to the UNLIMITED WEALTH OF THE KINGS ECONOMY.

So what God is really trying to do is break your limits and open you up as a spout He can pour His wealth and economy through. In other words, you will have legal access to a bigger, stronger, and more stable economy. As a result, Jesus said this new economy would cause you to never worry about your life again.

According to Google, the definition of an economy is the total wealth and resources of a country or region, especially in terms of the production and consumption of goods and services. Well, how big is God's economy you may be asking? Let's see what the bible says.

In Psalm 24:1 it says that the earth is the Lords and Fullness thereof, the world and all those that dwell in it.

Well, that's pretty much everything that exists isn't it? See, God wants you to break free from your own country's economy. Depending on the shaky and fragile man-made government systems is the very reason that we have a society filled with worry, stress, and disease. When you hook up with God's system, you are released from your limitations and stress by a gift or right of access to everything in God's economy. Remember this is a country. Our tithe is simply a tax, and ministry, that covers the administration needs for the ambassadors of the Kingdom, and the saints, who are teaching and preaching as representatives of the Kingdom. Tithing breaks our personal limits and reconnects us to the unlimited wealth of the Kingdom economy.

God says you robbed me in tithes and offerings! Whoa! A man who doesn't bring the tithes and offerings to God's house is robbing God? Yes! This is critical because the result was voluntary subjection to a cursed system that the whole nation would suffer from, instead of the blessing God wanted them to experience. God says it is the people of God's responsibility to make sure that His storehouse is well supplied. Then He can legally bless that nation for their obedience. He will defend that nation from everything that could destroy their fruit or productivity, and they would not fail to be prosperous in every season. This kind of productivity would cause all the other nations of the world to look at them and say, they are the ones with the working under God's blessing (Malachi 3:12 referenced).

Too many churches are struggling with resources. Simply because people have not been taught to think as a nation or the citizenry of a country. We are too religious and see these things as optional instead of our national duty to our country.

We see this same idea in 2 Corinthians chapter 9, as Paul addresses the churches that are dealing with this same thing. This ministry is proof of the Kingdom culture and testifies that a people have Jesus as their Lord.

2 Cor 9:6-15 6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. 9 As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." [b] 10 Now may [c] He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, 11 while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. 12 For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God, 13 while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal sharing with them and all men, 14 and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. 15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

So now that you understand that you are a citizen of a nation, and that heaven is a country wanting to occupy the earth, then the tithe and offerings are the resources God uses through His citizens to get that work done. In fact, the presence of a new government being established is always solidified by the proof of citizens voluntarily bringing a portion of their increase from their work to testify to others that they are under this Kingdom authority now.

THE KINGDOM, THE NATION, THE CHURCH AND THE TITHE

In a sense, tithing is really the taxation service of the Kingdom of God. Taxation is a characteristic of every nation to exist and thrive. The more the people circulate into the economy, the more ability the government has to care for its people. Not just the gifted ones, but also the hungry, hurting and broken. The many problems every nation faces, like crime, poverty, gangs, and every type of perversion, can be stopped if the churches were better equipped and able to pay for the things God wants to do through them. It is because we have limited God's activity that our world is struggling with evil and perversion and corruption. Religious blinders are being worn, and disobedient people are simply not trusting God and doing what he said concerning the tithe. The tithe is a place set, or a foundation for the establishment of God's Kingdom to be built. I call it the "King's Throne" or place of rule. Until He you "offer" Him your seat as commander of the economy through the tithe, He is limited to what He can impact.

Every nation has taxes, and every nation has embassies in the lands they are represented in. These are all ideas found in God's strategy to establish His Kingdom colony in the earth. God has called His embassy the Church. This is His government agency assembled for executing Heavenly transformation on earth. In Matthew 16:18, Jesus mentioned that He would build His "ecclesia," or church, just like Rome did in order to establish their kingdom.

He also said that the gate of hades wouldn't prevail against it. So now when God says bring your "tithe" to the storehouse, that word is the same word used in connection with His commonwealth promise in Malachi 3:10.

The storehouse is the treasury of the Kingdom through the Church. This is where the Kingdom of God will legally receive and record the tithes and offerings of the people. Meaning, you don't give to God by throwing your money up in the air any more than you would try to throw money at the White House in America. You must put the taxes back into the economy through the taxation system received in God's embassy called the church.

Wise investors know this idea well, because they need to move money into the most profitable and secure economy as possible for business. So, when you view the Kingdom of God as a country with a government and a King, it's easy to see why you should trust His system of exchange over the banks and stock markets. The Kingdom of God has the strongest economy in existence, and it's never in danger of failure. In fact, the banks and stock markets should merely be extraction points where you get the money to bring into the Kingdom of God and fund the expansion of it on earth.

A tithe is a part of the economic plan of God to care for His citizens. All kingdoms in history and governments today use their people's money to fund their agendas and provide services. God does the same according to 2 Corinthians chapter 9 (as already mentioned). Church today is largely viewed as just a religious charity that merely receives tips for good preaching. We must become aware that we are citizens of a nation and governors of the Kingdom on earth. Taxes and investment offerings are required to fulfill the mission.

UNDERSTANDING THE KINGDOM EXCHANGE RATE FOR YOUR ECONOMY

Kingdom financial systems are unique, but they can be understood through the principles of our current taxation and duties system. For example, if you travel or do business internationally between nations you are subjected to the customs that are appropriated to do business from nation to nation. As I already mentioned, anytime you try to move money or goods from one nation to another there is a duty or customs tax applied. This taxation system legally puts that wealth, or resource, under the jurisdiction of that nation's economic system. In other words, there is a value that your money has when it is under the world's economic system, and for you to move your money or valuables into God's system gives your money greater ability to grow. See, just like in this world's economy your money can grow depending on what system you put it in, and which country's economy you choose to trust in. Thank God that we have a kingdom system that is unshakable to depend on and is backed by a God who owns everything (See psalm 24).

That's why a person's giving, in the form of offerings and tithes, are both proofs that God's original plan for mankind is taking root in the hearts of men. God's big plan was to have His Kingdom culture expanded to the earth through His citizens. The evidence is not just in what people claim or what they say, but in the traditions, customs and values they recognize and practice. When a person doesn't bring the tithes and offerings back to God as He has commanded, that person is simply saying, "I don't agree with the country's tax rate and system to govern my life." As gives the bible says we are proving that Jesus Christ is alive (Heb 7:8).

Most people struggle with giving because they are in religion and bound by the attempt of earning righteousness or establishing a different form of it, instead of the acting out of the liberty in Christ's Kingdom government. When you live in a new country that provides everything necessary for life not matter what it is, and they require a tithe and investment offerings in order to make sure that the embassy (church) is well supplied for the needs of the people, then you have no problem giving. Likewise, when you know you are already rich in Christ, and really have no worries or fears of your own needs being met, you never struggle with paying your kingdom taxes. Understanding your dominion rights as a citizen, and how to take the keys of the Kingdom and unleash God's authority to provide His kindly standards to your life, you have no problem with giving.

PEOPLE DON'T GIVE BECAUSE THEY DISAGREE WITH GOD'S WAY OF GOVERNING

I've concluded by watching people over the years that people don't give tithes because of one thing, lack of trust! This is really the one and only thing that makes a believer withhold their taxes (tithes). When a man will not give, there is a fundamental disagreement between him and God's idea of governing. But Why? Because mankind was made in the image and likeness of His father and GOD IS A GIVER. By the King being a giver himself, as His way to supply what the people need, His system of governing is then the "giving system" not the "owning or earning system." I like to call it the "investing system" because it helps people understand it was not giving just as an empty tradition, or duty, but that it was out of the kingdom spirit of expansion.

A great example is how He gave Jesus His son and gained a family of sons and daughters. He also gave natural seeds upon the earth so he could gain an abounding fruitfulness that remains and replenishes itself. This is the system you see working in Genesis chapter 1 and established through Abraham when he gave a tithe of all to Melchizedek; who was the King of the land of Salem (Gen 14).

I think we see the clear evidence that money has a special demon attached to it that makes people lose their mind when they get it. People will do almost anything to get it, and it quickly can become your god. Money has probably had more songs wrote about it, and for it, than God has. God says that the earth is cursed, and money simply represents the earth cursed system.

Everything that is taken from the earth is cursed until it is sanctified or put through the exchange system of the Kingdom government. Meaning, you must move your resources, represented by your money, into God's Kingdom economy and then it becomes righteous again. God takes the 10% as the head of your estate, and then pours the blessing over it to cause it to be productive under the Kingdom exchange rate again. Don't be confused, it's the same way you get saved. God took Jesus and broke him, so you can come into the household of God where you are sufficiently supplied for the work of God. We called that process salvation. God takes your 10% and breaks any spirit of greed, or dependency that could have been in your heart for money. Now your land and possessions that are represented in your money are sanctified as righteous..., **AND RIGHTEOUS MONEY MULTIPLIES IN GOD'S SYSTEM!!**

Remember money just represents the portion of the economy and resources you own. When you bring the tithe, you give up ownership of your little portion of the economy and become a trustee of God's entire estate. It is better to have access to the King's entire estate, than to have ownership of a small portion of your own estate that kills you with sorrow and worry. The tithes and offerings remove the worries, stress, and limits of your personal accounts. Then give you access to the unlimited ability of God's account to produce what you need.

Without this shift in how we see the tithes and offerings, you will never be able to accomplish God's plan for your life and ministry. Sure, you might be able to scratch out a pretty good living, but that was not why you were created. You were created to expand a Kingdom. This can only be done by the witness and abundance of God's riches in glory. Everyone who learns this is set free to dream bigger and bolder dreams because of the freedom they now have in Christ's Kingdom economy!

REPROGRAMMING PRINCIPLES FROM THIS SECTION

1. A tithe should never be considered a debt or a negative thing, but a radical unfair exchange of your limited ownership of the amount of money you have and the place of connection to the **UNLIMITED WEALTH OF THE KING'S ECONOMY**.
2. Tithing breaks our personal limits and reconnects us to the unlimited wealth of the Kingdom economy!
3. Tithe is a place set, or a foundation for the establishment of God's Kingdom to be built. The King's throne to rule from.
4. God calls His embassy the Church. This is His government agency to carry out the earthly mission.
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Reprogramming Question #6 - What is the Church?

When you first heard the word church, it was probably on TV. Or maybe your parents told you it was a place they were taking you for a special event or play at Christmas time. For many people church is a word you heard often from the time you were born. Most of you have been going to this place for years and years. Even though this is the case for most people, church today is very different in its purpose and function than when Jesus said He would build His “CHURCH.”

Matthew 16:18 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it

THE CHURCH IS WAY OFF TRACK

I think we are way off track in accomplishing the mission all together. The church Jesus said He would build had a very specific role to play in the shaping of society, and the completion of revealing the Kingdom of God in the earth. But now the church has become too much of a place for pointless activities regarding its original purpose. We gather families and friends to hang out, and sometimes people down on their luck come to feel a little better. We do things like listen to music and hear motivational speeches about how to have a good attitude in life. However, somehow it has also become a dividing force in our communities as well.

The church Jesus came to build is not well represented in our modern-day experience, in my opinion. There are so many divisions, and versions of church, that the average non churched person will not come because of fear they might choose the wrong one. While the rest of the Christians bounce around from church to church as consumers looking for the best programs, preaching, and who caters to their lifestyle the best. People are loosely committed to supporting their church and attending on a regular basis at best. Church is a separate and optional part of their lives. The decision to engage the local church has to do with if they can fit it into the budget and the schedule, instead of them placing it as a priority in the center of their lives. This attitude is a product of what modern churches are teaching and lowering themselves to be, instead of what Jesus established it to be.

WHY PEOPLE SHOULDN'T DESCRIBE CHURCH AS COMFORTABLE

Many people literally choose a church based on comfort, instead of cause. If a church has a solid understanding of what Jesus had in mind, then you are not going to be comfortable very often. In fact, in the original church you were never promised comfort. Not because church was intended to be harsh, but because of the condition mankind is in when he comes through the doors. At church you should be empowered, delivered, trained, equipped, and guided by truth so that you may fulfill the purposes of God for your life, make your mark, and see clearly about your future. Comfort though, well that shouldn't be a normal thing because what makes us comfortable in life many times is the cause of our ineffectiveness and self-serving addictions. Comfort is a word you use for the lobby area in the church, the bathrooms, or fellowship halls. Not necessarily the way you want to describe the preaching or the mission. Is this good news? Yes! Is it easy to carry out? No! Pastors, if you keep getting feedback like this, "Wow, what a great message today! It made me feel so comfortable." You might need to tweak your sermon a little.

GETTING THE TRUE CONCEPT OF CHURCH

Like the other terms we discuss in this book, the term church has no clear definition in the minds of everyday people. Since this is true, then the expectations and view of the role church should play is misunderstood. It seems to be up to individual interpretation all over the world. Ask people on the street whether they go to church or not. Or ask them, what do you think the role church should play in our city or in a person's life? You are going to hear a very mixed view throughout society.

Now, if nobody knows what a church really is, then how can it become anything meaningful to them? Maybe you are not even sure as a pastor or leader what the answer to this question is. That may shock some of you, but many pastors entered the ministry because it was a traditional path your family put you on. While for others, it just seemed like a noble thing to do. There are many who entered ministry as a career, or even out of an excitement to do something great for God. All of these things have good intention, but if the church is going to be effective and complete its purpose, then we must fully understand what Jesus meant when He re-introduced this concept of church to his disciples. Even when you love God and want to serve Him, you need to understand the Kingdom concept of church to be effective in your mission.

It is possible to be busy for many years doing church and never advance the kingdom. Church is too stressful when you're not seeing Kingdom fruit. Let's break this down so you can fully grab the power and purpose intended for God's church. I have studied this a long time, but my goal is not to share everything that I know. That is a whole book by itself. I just want to re-establish the foundational concept of church into your mind, so you can spring forward from a strong and proper foundational view of the church. When this becomes clear, even on the most basic level, everything else will make sense in your walk with God. Then a new fresh experience with God will be the result.

THE CHURCH GETS POOR PARTICIPATION

The view of church today, especially from my view here in America, is a system of programs designed to help you cope with life. Church is optional for most people, and very poorly attended when you look at the percentage of Americans who claim to be Christians. Then to break it down even further, the amount of non-participating members of churches is even more alarming. Most churches struggle to get and keep people to labor with them and volunteer, and struggle to meet the financial needs of the church. It's difficult to grow their congregations, which should never be done to just fill seats, but a growing congregation should be a sign of a healthy church that is training disciples. A healthy church is always training the people and deploying them back into the world, ready to be a change agent. Or like Jesus said, "salt of the earth."

Matthew 5:13-16 "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men."

HOW DOES THE WORLD REALLY VIEW THE CHURCH?

For me personally, this skewed view of church was confirmed even more when I began to plant Excel Church in Atlanta, Georgia. I remember when I first arrived here in Atlanta and began going to all kinds of business network meetings around the city. Every time I stood up to address the room and introduce myself to people as the pastor of a new church, they all looked at me like, "What is he doing here with that religious stuff." It seemed as if listening to insurance reps or bank managers was much more important to people's lives, than the health of the community and the church. I could almost read their minds by the expressions on most of their faces saying, "That God stuff is for Sundays only buddy." I really found it interesting that church has become a separate organization to be filed under the non-profit sectors of our cities and discussed to classify people's spirituality. I always felt more productive leaving these meetings, than I did leaving a pastor's conference where all people wanted to discuss was how to grow their church.

The view of church in most communities is the same as the experience that I had here in Atlanta, but learning the real role intended for the church can make it a vital and dynamic part of the communities across the world again.

THE CHURCH HAS MANY CRITICS

Wanting a broader perspective of the normal persons view, I went online to watch several YouTube videos where random people on the street were interviewed and asked the question, “What do you think of the church?” The answers were astounding! The consensus was that church was irrelevant, not important or necessary to have a relationship with God. Some said it was a burden on their time, or a hypocritical organization that doesn’t really care about what the people need. Obviously, this perspective is the reason for me addressing this topic in this section of this book.

I didn’t grow up in church myself, and I can absolutely relate to some of these people’s opinions. However, as I hit a low point in my life, I really began to search for the truth. I thought that going to a local church in my city might be the answer. Sadly, the first place I went I honestly felt like it was a complete waste of time, and though I was disappointed I didn’t give up. As the search continued, I finally visited one where there was certainly a new energy and awareness in the room that I had never experienced before. Something immediately arrested me there, which I now know was the love of a real living God. I knew then that God was more real than I had imagined, but I also found out that those who don’t go to church have no idea of what they are missing out on.

The truth is that people get their worldviews from teachings and messages they have bought into. Period! That means that somewhere in their life they have learned, by someone or something, that church is a religious place that is only relevant or necessary if you decide to become religious. Society sends these signals through the values it honors, and the things we show people we care about. So church is completely misunderstood because it cannot find a relevant place to be a meaningful part of society. Church is an optional Sunday event for religious people, and most of them don’t see it to be something they need to be at on a regular basis. Unlike school or work.

The bible says that whoever you learn from becomes your master. If you let society teach you what the church is, then society has become your master or teacher in this area. If you allow your culture to tell you what church is, then that culture is your master. Everybody learns and picks up the signals that cause them to believe something, or doubt it, from somewhere. Only the truth can give a person real faith or confidence to abandon every other teaching and find out what the real church is all about. Don’t ever take societies view of church, or simply accept the church down the street’s explanation of church. You must look at the truth found in scripture and see it for yourself if you ever intend to know why Jesus built His church. Then you will discover the necessary role church should play in your life.

THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH THAT JESUS BUILT

What is the truth about church then? We know Jesus said he would build it. We know the bible says to assemble as one, but our society in general thinks the opposite. Even those who attend church regularly think of it as a religious activity that is done outside the home with other religious people. However, if you’re going to understand what the church that Jesus built is, you first have to know why He wanted to build it.

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He was saying to drop the current instructions and return to functioning by God's original instructions for life. He proclaimed it in Matthew 4:17- "Repent (or return to the original way of thinking) because the Kingdom that was lost by Adam in Genesis has returned" (Paraphrased for emphasis).

Also, Jesus said many times throughout his ministry that He was a King, and He was bringing His Kingdom back to His people. Jesus was not a religious man and did not come here to establish ritualistic living. This church He said he was building, was not the same thing as what existed before He arrived. It's not what we see in mainstream religion today. It wasn't a religious place at all and didn't belong in the religious sector or the nonprofit discussions either. It was intended to be a literal state representation with a mission to change the world.

Many people say they don't like to organize for religion, but it seems like this is their only option when it comes to church. Many people assemble for religious reasons and practices, and many faiths practice this behavior as well. The Muslims, the Hindus, and the Catholics, etc., all assemble for their cause. While this may be true, none of these assemblies can technically be called a true church. Why? Church is a governmental term, not a religious term, that is why. I respect all people groups and their beliefs, but in these cases and all of the rest, they are practicing a religion that they learned from someone that will never be able to solve their problems. There is no Spirit in them from God. He is the only authority in the universe. This means, the Kingdom church is the only legit authority on earth, and Jesus is the head of the state.

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What Jesus built and established was a group of newly reconciled citizens. They would convene or assemble by the Holy Spirit or Royal Governors summons. Then they would discuss the Heavenly agenda of occupying and shaping earth as a territory of heaven. To be a little more specific, He said that the church would be focused on establishing or colonizing the earth with the values of heaven. These citizens would be focused on converting the territory of earth's culture to the culture of heaven.

God originally wanted what all Kings want. He wanted expansion and more territory for His Kingdom. He sent a local king named Adam to begin this process of ruling, ordering, and releasing the Kingdom of Heaven into the earth. Adam rebelled against his government and turned on God. Yet God in His unrelenting love for man, sent His son to pay the penalty of death for Adams act of high treason against the King. The very intention of God was to duplicate or make an exact copy of Heavens experiences and culture in a new place called earth. So, He made an exact copy of Himself and sent him to fill the earth with this same life and ideal existence. the world the manifold wisdom of God. This is the model of government the world should be able to see and follow (See Ephesians 3:10).

Jesus even told the disciples, when you pray don't be like the religious people, or modern-day church folks as we say in Georgia. They pray meaningless repetitions and think they will be heard in the courts of the king because they have memorized some scriptures (matt 6:7-10 paraphrased with my translation). Then He said the reason for that instruction. God knows your needs before you ask, because He knows what He sent you to do. See your actual needs in God's mind have to do with completing the assignment He sent you to complete, not just surviving. Your prayer needs to be about God's original idea for creating you, and the King's mandate for sending you to earth. So therefore pray, your Kingdom come, and your will be done on the earth as it is in heaven. Is the light coming on after reading this? Jesus was telling his trainees to come to God about the original plans of expanding heaven to earth. In the Kingdom you can stop worrying about survival. God needs you to survive because of His own plans.

What does that mean for the church then? Well, that hopefully means at least one thing to you after reading this. That you can't possibly think that Jesus (a King) built an organization (the church) to give people a new religion to choose from along with all the others that exist. The church is a local embassy, or outpost, of a Kingdom. Our real purpose is revealing to the world the manifold wisdom of God. This is the model of government the world should be able to see and follow (See Ephesians 3:10).

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Matthew 6:7-10 (NKJ) 7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. 8 "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. 9 In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

THE CHURCH WILL LEAD THE WORLD

These 12 men would be the founders of Jesus' church, except for Judas who betrayed Jesus. They would proceed in the book of Acts to start planting churches, and this original idea of church would be strong enough to turn the world upside down.

Acts 17:6 "These men who have upset the world have come here also;

The mission of the church is that the manifold wisdom of God would be revealed through this body of citizens in a variety of ways. Our wisdom from God should mesmerize the world, and make the world want to follow you into God's Kingdom. We can revolutionize every industry with innovation from Heaven and become the leaders we were born to be.

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2. Church is completely misunderstood because it cannot find a relevant place to be a meaningful part of society.
3. You must look at the truth found in scripture, see it for yourself if you ever intend to know why Jesus built His church, and what is its role to play in your life.
4. Jesus' whole purpose for being born as a man was to reset some old or original things, not to make up new things.
5. Jesus was not a religious man and did not come here to establish ritualistic living. So therefore, this church He said he was building was not the same thing as what existed before He arrived, and not what we see in mainstream religion today.
6. The church was intended to be a literal state representation with a mission to change the world.
7. Church is a governmental term not a religious term.
8. The Kingdom Church is the only legit authority on earth, and Jesus is the head of the state.
9. Our wisdom from God should mesmerize the world and make the world want to follow you into God's Kingdom.
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