

Encounter these verses today:

circle words that you identify with, underline phrases or sentences you'd like to remember, write questions about the passage out to the side

Luke 17:20-21 [NIV]

²⁰Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, ²¹nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you."

Matthew 6:9-13 [NIV]

⁹"This, then, is how you should pray:

" 'Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

¹⁰your kingdom come,
your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹Give us today our daily bread.

¹²Forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.'

[for yours is the kingdom and the power and
the glory forever. Amen.]



This Saturday, April 24 | 8:00 AM
at Flushing Community Church
bring a breakfast item to share!



Can you imagine being a God-follower without the reality of resurrection? How does resurrection impact what you are living for in your life? *Explain ...*

Before resurrection - the Kingdom of God was about ...

What if the Kingdom of God is ...

How can God's 'present Kingdom' living in you impact your life?

The Bottom Line ...

The Kingdom of God exists in our present age and in is seen in every heart that yielding to God.



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[April 19 - April 24]

Monday: 4.19.2010

Reading: Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23

This parable is a familiar one. How does understanding the Kingdom of God living within you change your perspective of crop that Jesus speaks of in verse 23?

Think about it:

How is your soil today? Are you good soil - ready to do God's will? Do you need a little tilling or fertilizer? Be honest in your assessment.

Reflections: _____

Tuesday: 4.20.2010

Reading: Luke 14:15-24

Who would turn down a party invitation like this one? I can't imagine. And yet many do. Excuses can be found for nearly every spiritual blessing that God offers us.

Think about it:

Have you used an excuse recently to avoid doing something for God? Are you waiting for his invitation to experience a deeper journey with him?

Reflections: _____

Wednesday: 4.21.2010

Reading: Mark 12:1-12

This picture of God's Kingdom seems incredible to me. Would people really act like that? Yet that's exactly what we did with Jesus - our ancestors rejected the word of God (and the Kingdom of God) over and over and finally they rejected the Son.

Think about it:

How can we avoid rejecting the invitation of God to embrace his present Kingdom? Living in the Kingdom today will produce fruit - not a bitter spirit.

Reflections: _____

Thursday: 4.22.2010

Reading: Matthew 13:44-46

What value would you put on having access to God's Kingdom? We subscribe to websites and magazines all the time to have access to the information they offer. Do we value the ways of God equally? or even more?

Think about it:

Have you had to sacrifice anything recently because of your journey with God? Has the walk been a little too comfortable lately? What price are you willing to pay?

Reflections: _____

Friday: 4.23.2010

Reading: Matthew 18:21-35

This glimpse of the Kingdom is not one that tells us how to handle our debt or those we've loaned money to. It does tell us how the Kingdom works in terms of forgiveness. We have been forgiven for so much - but are we willing to forgive others as much?

Think about it:

Label the main characters of today's parable as they relate to your life? Is there anyone that you are mistreating? no forgiving?

Reflections: _____

Saturday: 4.24.2010

Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

God is a generous God. God's Kingdom is a powerful expression of that generosity. In His Kingdom, the first here become the last ... the last here will be the first. Where will you be? We must constantly fight against the urges to be first in this earthly kingdom ... the Kingdom of God is all that matters!

Think about it:

How has your focus of God's Kingdom within you changed your perspective this week on various situations?

Reflections: _____

