

# Bereans Bible Institute

## Module X – The Kingdom of God

### Lesson 15 – Jesus’ Teaching on the Kingdom (Part 1)

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- I. Jesus ministry begins with His Baptism (Matt. 3:13-17)
  - A. A prophet must anoint the Christ (King)
  - B. Psalm 2 quote identifies Him as God’s own Son
- II. Jesus preaching the KINGDOM: *“Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand”* (Matt 4:17)
  - A. Mark’s gospel record Jesus saying *“Repent and believe the Gospel”*
  - B. The Gospel is a “message” concerning the Kingdom
  - C. *“AT HAND”* (nearby) Jesus is the embodiment of the Kingdom as the King
  - D. Jesus says for this PURPOSE He was sent – to preach the Kingdom
  - E. *“Kingdom of God”* & *“Kingdom of heaven”* synonymous, from Dan. 2:44 *“Kingdom of the God of heaven.”*
  - F. Gospels and epistles do not contain a specific formula for what this message entailed of what Jesus and the apostles preached concerning the gospel of the Kingdom.
  - G. They affirmed God’s promises in the Covenants: *“Now I say that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision for the truth of God, **to confirm the promises made to the fathers.**”* (Rom. 15:8)
  - H. Jesus placed CONDITIONS on entrance into the Kingdom
  - I. Paul in Romans 15 quotes from Psalm 18, Duet 32, Psalm 117, Isaiah 11 about the nations being included in the covenants.
- III. Conditions for entering the Kingdom
  - A. John 3:1-8 Nicodemus – a second birth
  - B. Matt 8:5-13 Many Gentiles included, but many Jews excluded
  - C. Matt. 18:1-3 Conversion necessary
  - D. Matt 13:24-30 *“sons of wickedness”* removed as per Davidic Covenant promise (Psalm 37- Wait on the LORD and keep His way...)
  - E. LORDS prayer similar with 1 Chron 29 and Davidic covenant promise
    1. *“do not lead us into temptation but deliver us from THE WICKED”*
    2. John 17:15 *“I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one (or the wicked).*