



## Kingdom Values - 8 KINGDOM AUTHORITY

*KINGDOM AUTHORITY - Creating a culture of walking in the supernatural and freely accessing the heavenly realm in the work of advancing God's Kingdom and in the warfare to destroy the works of His enemy.*

The Church of Christ was founded on the bedrock foundation of the Sonship and Messiahship of Jesus Christ, and therefore, it has the power and authority of the Kingdom of Heaven. At Gospel Life, we believe that as the Royal Priesthood of God, we are called to develop a culture of royalty in our homes, churches, businesses, and ultimately in nations. We are to bring out the best in individuals, facilitating their princely destinies. We were created for glory. Before the foundations of the earth, we were made and predestined for greatness because He already knew we would choose Him. He set up our lives in such a way that we could not help but be awesome.

We believe that the preaching of the "Gospel of the Kingdom" is not just sharing the message of salvation by grace alone. It is, in fact, also a full demonstration of God's power, splendor and sovereign majesty. When Jesus sent His disciples out to preach, He gave specific instructions on how they were to preach the Good News of the Kingdom (**Matt. 10:6-8**). Jesus told His disciples, "This is how you preach the Gospel:

**First**, you tell them that the Kingdom of heaven is now near you. You have to believe that you are authorized representatives of the Kingdom. Wherever you go, you take the Kingdom with you. The Kingdom is in your heart. It does not remain in the church building or the denominational headquarters. You take it with you, in your home, in your community, in your workplace.

**Then**, you demonstrate the principles and power of the Kingdom. God's Kingdom of grace is about love, mercy, life and freedom. And wherever you find the opposite of love, mercy, life and freedom, use Jesus' power and authority to reverse the situation (**Matt. 10:1**). That's how people will clearly see the difference between God's kingdom and Satan's system.

We believe that the end will come only when the world witnesses the love, power and sovereignty of Jesus Christ in the ministry of His church. The church will demonstrate all the attributes of the Kingdom of God to all the world before the establishment of the

literal Kingdom of God on earth. The last-day church will personify His being, demonstrate His power, live His principles, portray His presence, manifest His ministry, and glorify His grace and goodness.

All of the works that Jesus did and the apostolic church did, the last-day church will do also, and to an even greater extent (**John 14:12**). The church will be equipped and trained for ministry, for taking the Kingdom everywhere. What was true at the beginning will be doubled at the end of the Church Age. There will take place undeniable miracles of such proportions that entire nations will be affected.

The movement of the saints will be accompanied by supernatural power (**Mark 16:17-18; Acts 2:18-19**). God has given the church a great commission, and therefore it takes great people to accomplish it. If we fail to see our greatness, we will fail in our mission. A pauper mentality has rendered much of the church ineffective by diminishing our vision of the influence we are meant to have in the world.

We have been anointed as kings and priests, we have been commanded to disciple nations, and we have been equipped with the wisdom, power, and authority of the Lord Himself. We don't have to live with sickness, poverty, broken relationships, emotional pain or mental torment. All of that was covered and rendered powerless by the blood of Jesus.

We have been called to restore the knowledge of the one true God. We have been gifted to restore the supernatural signs of God. We have been commissioned to restore relationships and families. We have been blessed to restore financial prosperity. We have been commissioned to restore morality in governments.

The church that meets Jesus when He returns will be a glorious church. She will be holy and without fault. Not in order to earn the love of Jesus, but because she has experienced His love. She is without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish because she loved the Lord so much that she will do anything to please Him. She has learned to trust Him to do for her what was impossible. The church of Jesus Christ has learned that the same power that could heal the sick, raise the dead and drive out demons, could also make the saints victorious over God's enemy in all areas of their lives.