

A20. Praying for God's Kingdom to Come.

We are to pray for God's kingdom to come.

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

Matthew 6:9-10

You, therefore, pray like this: 'Our Father in heaven! May your Name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Luke 11:2

He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, May your name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come.

Additional New Testament Scriptures

Matthew 3:2; 6:33

Mark 1:15

Luke 11:20, 17:20-21

Colossians 1:13

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Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

Daniel 2:44

"In the days of those kings the God of heaven will establish a kingdom that will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not pass into the hands of another people. It will break to pieces and consume all those kingdoms; but it, itself, will stand forever-

Comment

The Kingdom of God is the domain of heaven and earth that rightfully belongs to God and should be entirely subject to God's rule and control. It originally included the creation of earth and man that is described in Genesis, but God gave it over to Satan's control when Adam chose to follow Satan instead of God in the Garden of Eden. God could have annihilated both man and his earthly Kingdom and started over right then, but He chose instead to allow man to redeem himself by taking God's Kingdom back from Satan and returning both it and himself to God.¹ Man's way of accomplishing it was do the opposite of what he did in the garden – that is, obey

¹ Except for Noah and his family and other godly individuals, the history of Israel is replete with incidents of man straying from God, being punished for it, repenting, returning to God, and then falling away once again.

God despite Satan's efforts to lure man into following him – a repeat of what he did in the garden.

There are a number of things that man must do to accomplish the redemption that God has so graciously allowed, the most primary being to obey the commandments of Scripture, heed the directive voice of the Holy Spirit, and receive Yeshua as Lord and Savior. But man is powerless to do these things without tapping into the power of God, and that is why this *Mitzvah* is so important. We receive power from God by asking for it, and “praying for God's Kingdom to Come” is a way of doing that. It is telling God that we want him and not Satan, and that we want his Kingdom on Earth to be returned to him in both the present and the hereafter.

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