



**THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

The Kingdom of God: God's \_\_\_\_\_, in God's \_\_\_\_\_, under God's \_\_\_\_\_.

The main message Jesus preached was regarding the "Kingdom of God" or the "Kingdom of Heaven". **Matthew 4:17**

The Kingdom of God throughout the Story of Scripture:

STAGE	METHOD	PEOPLE	PLACE	RULE	
Stage One:					Generation of Order
<b>THE FALL</b>					Degeneration of Order
Stage Two:					Regeneration of Order Foreshadowed
2a)	Abraham:				
2b)	Moses:				
2c)	David:				
<b>THE EXILE</b>					
Stage Three:	Prophets:				Regeneration Predicted
Stage Four:	Antitype***				Regeneration revealed in Jesus
					Regeneration now and not yet
					Regeneration Completed

\*\*\*No longer is the Kingdom of God centered around a place – it's centered around a person.









**HOMEWORK:**

1) What is the most frustrating or difficult thing for you about the current age... this age of "in-between," the now and not yet?

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2) Read Isaiah 11:1-9, Isaiah 65:17-25, and Ezekiel 36:26-36. From these Old Testament passages what specific things can we look forward to in the New Heavens and New Earth?

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3) Read Revelation 21:1-22:21. What parallels do you see between the Old Testament passages above and this section of Revelation?

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4) How do these passages give us confidence for our eternal future? How might these passages change the way Christians live in the present age (the age in-between)?

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