



# The Kingdom

## STORY



What Does “Kingdom of God” Mean?





What is the  
difference in my  
attitude toward

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compared my  
attitude toward  
Jesus?



# Matthew 6

<sup>9</sup> Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

<sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.



# The Kingdom of God is...

*Your kingdom  
come, your will  
be done, on  
earth as it is in  
heaven.*

- 1. active rule/reign/order**
- 2. coming near (imminent, personal, wholistic, relevant)**
- 3. received (yielded to)**



*“The kingdom of God is not a realm or a people but God’s reign. Jesus said that we must “receive the kingdom of God” as little children. What is received? The Church? Heaven? What is received is God’s rule. We must also seek first his Kingdom and his righteousness. What is the object of our quest? The Church? Heaven? No; we are to seek God’s righteousness – His way, His rule, His reign in our lives.*



*When we pray 'thy Kingdom Come' are we praying for heaven to come to earth? In a sense we are praying for this; but heaven is an object of desire only because the reign of God is to be more perfectly realized than it is now...*

*This prayer is a petition for God to reign, to manifest His kingly sovereignty and power.*

*–Derek Morphey / George Ladd*



# Invitation

*Pay attention as you pray:*

Jesus, help me seek and treasure your Kingdom and your righteousness first. I want to live in and under God's rule and reign in every way. I want to see your Kingdom come and your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.