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1. What is meant by Kingdom Thinking – Not Single Thinking.

(Scriptures – KJV)

Introduction:

Kingdom = The domain of the King!

Kingdom Thinking = How to establish and build the Kingdom of God – His Plan in the earth.

Single Thinking = How to build and establish **MY** kingdom – organization/ministry/church in the earth.

- Usually when a person comes into the Kingdom of God by being “born-again” there is a strong heart’s desire to serve God, establish and build His Kingdom in the earth.
- As time progresses many Christians grow in ministry positions and can forget the original desire of their heart and forget building His Kingdom and start to build their own kingdom – organization/ministry/church.
- The bible warns us that we are not to forget where and who made us successful and prosperous – The Lord!

Deu.8:18-19

¹⁸ *But you shall remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that gives you power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day.* ¹⁹ *And it shall be, if you do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish. (KJV)*

Why does this happen? When a person comes to know the Lord they are humble and very thankful but as time goes by pride starts to come into their lives and ministry.

- As God raises up a person to new levels of success and prosperity, slowly the glory that belongs to God, the recognition of men, starts to influence them and they become “Man Pleasers” rather than “God Pleasers” – a very dangerous position!

As Jesus was raised up by the Father His mind or thinking was always “**Kingdom Thinking**” and not “**Single Thinking**” – He was not thinking about His own ministry becoming successful and large but about His Fathers Kingdom becoming successful, large and covering the whole earth.

Jn.6:38

³⁸ *For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. (KJV)*

2. Roman Empire Colonized Other Conquered Lands .

Matt.28:18-19

¹⁸ *And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.* ¹⁹ *Go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: (KJV)*

- When the Romans conquered a land they established their empire (Kingdom) by sending 300 people from Rome to build up their domain in that part of the world.



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- They developed the Roman Empire culture in the foreign lands to the satisfaction of Rome and the Roman Emperor (or King) – they were **Single Thinking – Not Kingdom thinking** all the time!
- Jesus has also give us a command to do exactly the same but in his Name for His Father in heaven to all people and nations in the earth.
- Should we be anything less than the worldly way of thinking – as believers we also should be constantly thinking about expanding God’s Kingdom from heaven to and upon the earth!
- The Kingdom of God is far, far greater than any earthly kingdom or empire that has and will ever exist for in encompasses the natural and supernatural realms as well as all creation including the heavens and the earth.

3. Having a Mind Set of always Thinking - Kingdom.

1. The Wooden Table – A vision given to me some years ago by the Lord!

The Lord will at times give a vision into our spirit to explain a situation more clearly of what He is wanting us to understand about spiritual things (Peter’s vision – Acts10:9-16). This vision was given to further my understanding.

In the vision I saw a rectangular room and in the middle of the room was a large rough long wooden table, the sought that you might find in a pub in old England. The table was rough and not pleasant to the eyes but very strong and solid. In the middle of the table was a large silver platter (plate) covered with lots of food and at one end of the table it was covered in darkness with the rest of the table being fully lit. Around the table walked many men who represented Leaders/Ministers/Pastors of all Christian denominations, all looking at the table and also at the food, but no one would sit down to eat. Finally a small man dressed in poor clothing sat down to eat. As he sat down a silver plate full of food appeared in front of him together with a cup of wine. He had the impression to look down towards the end that was in darkness only to see the darkness go and to see Jesus sitting there quietly smiling at him but saying nothing.

Slowly one by one the men sat down to eat from the table and the same thing happened to them, the plate of food, the cup of wine, Jesus appearing and smiling at them. Finally there was only a man left still walking around the table while all the other men were now seated. He was very well dressed in fine expensive clothes that indicated his very high position in a major religious denomination. Eventually he also sat down and had the same experiences as the rest of the men. When he sat down the darkness was completely removed from the end of the table and Jesus was could be fully seen by everyone and then Jesus said “now I will tell you what I want!”

The Revelation:

The Holy Spirit gave me the understanding as follows;

- The table was the “Table of Humility” and was prepared by the Lord for the men that were there.
- Jesus sat at one end of the table hidden to the eyes of man until they had sat down of their own free will at which time he then revealed Himself to them, the others were not able to see Him as yet.
- As each person humbled themselves to accept the condition of the table, their pride was broken.



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- The last person to sit down at the table was the leader in fine expensive clothes who thought that the table was far beneath his dignity and office (position in God) to sit down at, he required a very fine made table that would reflect his importance.
- When all had sat down at the table then Jesus finally revealed himself to everybody now that He had their full attention and Jesus said “now I will tell you what I want”.
- Everyone on the men were leaders in the “Body of Christ” doing their own thing and not listening to what the Lord wanted them to do for Him. Only when they humbled themselves could Jesus fully reveal Himself to the point where they were ready to listen.
- **They were “Single Thinking” but Not “Kingdom Thinking!”**

4. The Ministry of John The Baptist.

John the Baptist and his Prophecy

Lk.1:76 (67-80 Zacharias`Prophecy)

⁷⁶ *And you, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for you shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; (KJV)*

- From the very beginning John’s entire life and ministry on the earth, from his birth until his death was to serve God and His Kingdom, to prepare the way for Jesus who would establish His Fathers Kingdom in the hearts of men as well as on the earth.

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

Matt.3:1-3, 13-14

¹ *In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,* ² *And saying, Repent you: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.* ³ *For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare you the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.* ¹³ *Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.* ¹⁴ *But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of you, and comes you to me? (KJV)*

- John knew what his ministry on the earth was and his part in the plan of God and then he fulfilled it.

Lk.7:28 (Jesus speaking)

²⁸ *For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he. (KJV)*

5. The Ministry Of Jesus.

Jn.6:38

³⁸ *For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. (KJV)*

Jn.5:30

³⁰ *I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me. (KJV)*

- Jesus ministry was based **purely on what His Father wanted** from the very beginning of His life to the very end of His life here on the earth.



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- Jesus **knew that He had to fulfil His part of God's plan** to establish the Kingdom of Heaven so His thinking was always Kingdom!
- **Where ever He went** He did the will of God and got the results empowered by His Father.

Acts 10:38

³⁸ How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. (KJV)

6. Not Of This World.

Jn.18:36

³⁶ Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: **but now is my kingdom not from hence.** (KJV)

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

Jn.17:16

¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. (KJV)

- Because we are in Jesus and He is in us we also are not of this world so our thinking must not be like the people of this world but on a higher level, that of the Kingdom, while still living in this world!
- If you are truly born-again by the Spirit of God, **you have a new citizenship** while still living on the earth and this is the truth. 1st citizenship – heaven, 2nd citizenship – the country on the earth where you were born.

7. A Kingdom Divided will fall.

Lk.11:18 (Jesus speaking)

¹⁸ If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because you say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. (KJV)

Mark 3:24-25 (Jesus speaking)

²⁴ And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand. (KJV)

- The kingdom of God is establish by standing together, having the same thinking, and doing exactly what Jesus (our example) did!
- WE are to be like Jesus – Holy Spirit led and Word controlled!

8. The Children of Israel.

Spies Sent into Canaan

Num.13:1-33; 14:26

³¹ But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. ³² And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature. ³³ And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: **and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.** (KJV)



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- 10 Spies had a bad (evil) report of unbelief – not trusting God to deliver them into victory!
- Joshua and Caleb had a different spirit and trusted God.
- The children of Israel were **blocked by their thinking** so they did not enter the promised land or the “land of promises”, they died in the wilderness except Joshua and Caleb and people under 20 years’.
- Their **thinking actually stopped** them (10 from 12 spies).
- They saw **the size of their problem** and **not the size of their God!**
- Our thinking can also stop us in the promises of God as well as our place in the plan of God in the earth – **we are co-labourers – in His Plan!**

9. A Different Mind Set – that like God!

Thinking from a point of “reigning over” and “not being subject to” or under the world’s system!

- We are **ambassadors from a higher authority** on the earth!- (2Cor 5:20)
- All **power and authority has been given to us** through and in the name of Jesus!

Matt.28:19-20 (Jesus Speaking)

¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen (KJV)

Mark 16:15-18 (Jesus Speaking)

¹⁵ And he said unto them, Go you into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. ¹⁷ And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. (KJV)

- Time to **start to thinking outside the” normal religious/traditional box” or “structure”** that man has made – the traditions of man make the word of God non effective! eg.
- Christians having businesses and not being led by the world but by the godly standards!
- **Networking together** & Combining our talents & abilities to one purpose only – to establish & to build His Kingdom here on the earth!
- Even the unsaved world is **thinking on a Global level** – **networking together** to produce a greater strength and result!
- The “Body of Christ” on the earth, are as the word says a **“new species of being”** – supernaturally empowered from above with authority over the Spirit, Natural and Mental realms!
- **Let your mind be transformed** – kingdom thinking - **The raising up of others and not self** (Eph.4:11-13)
- Thinking on a **whole new level** – in family & community!
- Expanding our boundaries – **no limits!**
- Limits to be **set by God!**
- How we can **help the people** of the kingdom **in Gods plans!**

Matt.6:33

³³ But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. (KJV)



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10. A final Word on “Kingdom Thinking – Not Single Thinking!”

Matt.6:9-13 (Jesus Speaking)

⁹ After this manner therefore pray you: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰ **Your kingdom come. (Manifested by the Demonstration of power & dominion) Your will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.**

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. (KJV)

- **Kingdom Thinking is about co-labouring with God** to establish His Kingdom back on the earth by and through the Word of God together with the Holy Spirit in the Name of Jesus in whom there is all power and authority (Matt.28:19-20)!
- The born-again believer is a new creation (2 Cor. 5:17) equipped with authority and the anointing by God to do exactly what Jesus did in His ministry on the earth and has also been equipped with spirituals gifts, talents and abilities for ministry as well as everyday living.
- Kingdom thinking is not based on where you were born into the earth or by your mind sets that have been developed by your “nationally, religion, traditions or your culture”, it is to be based on what the Word of God says. God has given us the Bible to show us how to think as He does and to show us His ways of doing things. Often our “nationality, traditional, religious and/or cultural thinking” will be opposite and conflict with that of the Word of God but we are encouraged to renew our minds by the Word of God (2Cor.10:3-6; Phil. 4:8; Rom.12:2).

Rom. 12:2

² And be not conformed to this world: but be you transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (KJV)

The Challenge !

To change the way we think!

From “Worldly, Religious, Traditional & Cultural Thinking” to “Kingdom Thinking!”

To be “Kingdom Thinking” and not “Single Thinking”.

This is how we, THE CHURCH, will establish God`s Kingdom on the earth!

JESUS IS LORD!