

# THE COMING OF THE KINGDOM

## Importance of this study:

- A. Produce faith in the continuity of the Word.
- B. The church is the Kingdom on earth—the importance of the church in the eternal plan of God.

## 1. Old Testament Predictions of the Kingdom

(The height of Israel's glory was under the kingships of David and Solomon approximately 1000 B.C. but then the glory fades.)

- A. **Isaiah 2:1-4** (750 B.C.)
  1. Last days
  2. All nations
  3. Jerusalem
- B. **Daniel 2:44, 7:18** (550 B.C.)
  1. Endure forever
  2. Possess forever

## 2. New Testament Predictions of the Kingdom

- A. John the Baptist (25 A.D.)
  1. Kingdom is near (**Matthew 3:1-6**)
- B. Jesus (30 A.D.)
  1. Kingdom is near (**Matthew 4:17**)
  2. Kingdom will come in the lifetime of some of the disciples (**Mark 9:1**)
  3. Kingdom will come with power (**Mark 9:1**)
  4. Kingdom entered by new birth (**John 3:1-7**)
  5. Kingdom is within you (**Luke 17:20-21**)
  6. Peter has the keys (**Matthew 16:13-19**). Church and the Kingdom are the same and will be built on the truth that Jesus is the Christ (**1 Corinthians 3:11**).
  7. Joseph of Arimathea was still waiting for the Kingdom when Jesus died (**Luke 23:50-52**).
  8. Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached first in Jerusalem and then to all nations (**Luke 24:44-49**).

## 3. Fulfillment of the Old and New Testament Predictions—Acts 1 and 2

- A. Last days (**Acts 2:17**)
  1. **Isaiah 2:2**
- B. All nations (**Acts 2:5**)
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  2. **Luke 24:47**
- C. Jerusalem (**Acts 2:5**)
  1. **Isaiah 2:3**
  2. **Luke 24:44-49**
- D. Eternal Kingdom (**Acts 2:37-42**)  
**Daniel 2:44, 7:18**
- E. Date of coming is approximately 33 A.D. (**Acts 1-2**)
  1. Old Testament prophecy
  2. John the Baptist—"is near" **Matthew 3:1-2**
  3. Jesus—"is near" **Matthew 4:17**
- F. Lifetime of disciples (**Acts 2:14**)
  1. **Mark 9:1**
  2. "Some"—Judas died **Acts 1:18-19**