

# 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**)

1. **Isaiah 2:2**
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**

