



Matthew 6:10

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." (CSB)

"Set the world right; Do what's best—as above, so below." (MSG)

What is the Kingdom of God?

"...The Kingdom of God (or Kingdom of heaven) to be God's active and sovereign reign through history bringing about His purposes in the world through Christ Jesus. In the simplest of terms, the Kingdom of God is what the world looks like when King Jesus gets His way."

– Jeff Christopherson

Three parts to understanding this verse daily;

1) I'm praying to live as a CITIZEN of the Kingdom.

"Your Kingdom come"

"Your Kingdom come" - as we pray, Jesus is teaching us that we're to have a single-minded focus and priority to make His kingdom our hearts passion!

Philippians 3:20 (CSB)

"but our citizenship is in heaven, and we eagerly wait for a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ."

2) I'm praying to live the MISSION of the Kingdom.

"Your will be done"

The Kingdom mission is to participate with God (because of His grace), in helping to achieve His purpose.

"your will be done" - as we pray this, we are surrendering to the will of God! We must die each day to our own desires, to live for His.

Matthew 28:19 (CSB)

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

3) I'm praying to EXPECT the coming of the Kingdom

"on earth as it is in heaven"

When we pray "*on earth as it is in heaven*" it's out of the expectation and excitement of His coming return.

Luke 17:20-21 (CSB)

"²⁰ Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming with something observable; ²¹ no one will say, 'See here!' or 'There!' For you see, the kingdom of God is in your midst."



So whose kingdom are you building?

When we pray "*Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*; We are asking for our kingdoms to be torn-down and His to be built!

"He that taught us this prayer and used it himself in the most unrestricted sense. When the bloody sweat stood on his face, and all the fear and trembling of a man in anguish were upon him, he did not dispute the decree of the Father, but bowed his head and cried. 'Nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.'" – Spurgeon