

THE GOSPEL JESUS PREACHED



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Kingdom

*“The time is fulfilled,
and the Kingdom of
God is at hand. Repent
and believe in the
gospel”*

Mark 1:15



THE
KINGDOM
OF GOD

Kingdom

Hebrew: malkuth,
Greek: basileia

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range of his effective
will where what he
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Genesis

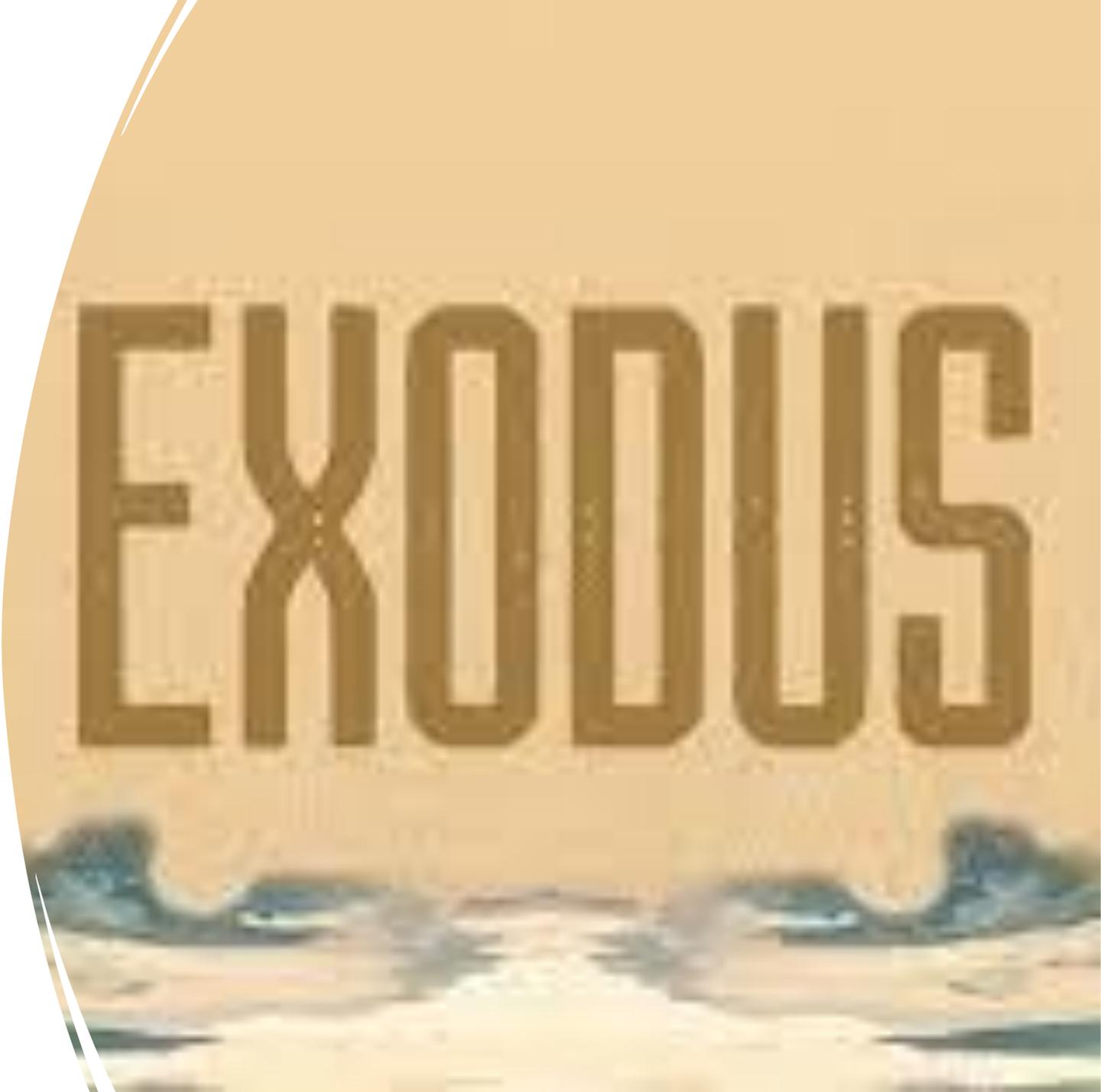
**Let there be
light!**

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will where what he
wants done, is done.



Israel

I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. Exodus 6:7



EXODUS

Rebellion

They have rejected me as their king. As they have done from the day I brought them up out of Egypt until this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are doing to you. 1Sam 8:4-8



*Divided &
Conquered*



Conquering Kingdoms

Northern Kingdom:
722BC – Assyrian conquest

Southern Kingdom

Date:	Conquered by:
586 BC	Babylonians (exile)
539 BC	Persians (return to Jerusalem)
332 BC	Greeks (Egypt & Syria)
167 BC	Free! Maccabean revolt
63 BC	Romans

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The Kingdom is:

- ❖ Present but also future
- ❖ Not political but spiritual
- ❖ Inclusive and universal
- ❖ Marked by Justice, Mercy & Peace
- ❖ Reverses worldly values
- ❖ Small beginnings, great growth
- ❖ Demands repentance & faith



How does God rule his Kingdom?



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Type of Rule	Key Examples	Enforced By
Democracy	USA, India, UK	Laws, constitutions, courts, elections
Authoritarian	China, Russia	Police, military, censorship
Monarchy	Saudi Arabia, Japan	Tradition, law, or religion
Theocracy	Iran	Religious law, clerics, security forces
Military Rule	Myanmar	Army, martial law

God rules through His Word

*When God speaks,
he expresses his
mind, his character,
and his purposes.*

*- It accomplishes
what God desires
(Isaiah 55:10)*



Recognising our Authority

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20



So how does God rule through His Word?

‘There are degrees of power in speaking the word of God and prayer is necessary to heighten that power. Prayer is more basic in the spiritual life than is speaking a word and, indeed, is the indispensable foundation for doing so.’ Dallas Willard



John 15

⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.



**Why would I
want to
submit to
God's Rule?**



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John 15

- *Fruitfulness*
 - *Answered prayer*
 - *Experiencing the Father's love*
 - *Joy*
- All to the Father's glory*

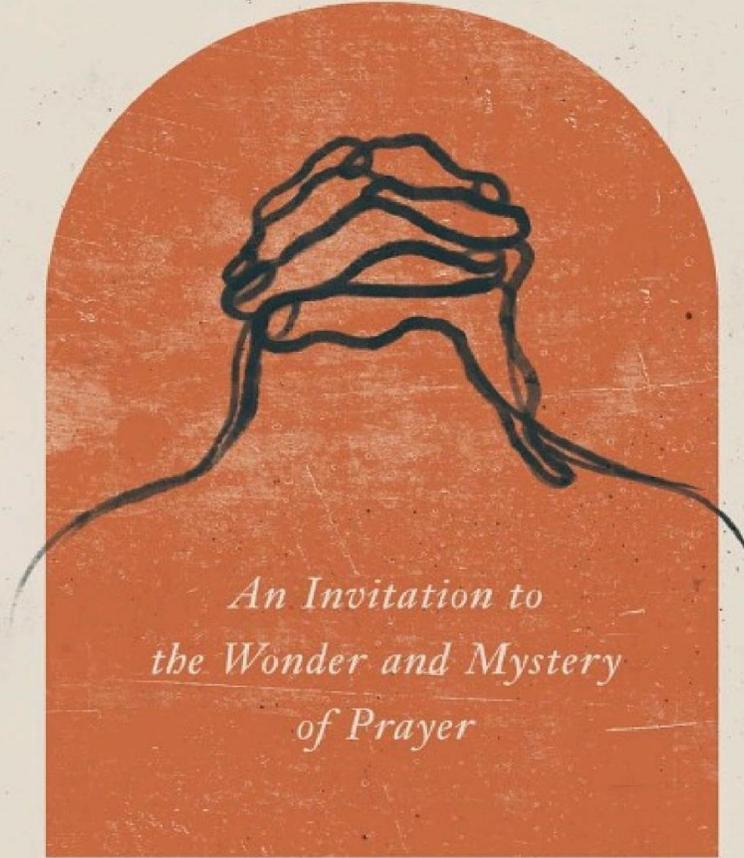


- **How does God rule his Kingdom?**
- **Why would I want to submit to God's Rule?**
- **How do I seek his Kingdom i.e. submit to His rule?**

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PRAYING LIKE MONKS
LIVING LIKE FOOLS



TYLER STATON

FOREWORD BY TIM MACKIE

'A vital invitation into the highest calling of every person on the planet,
straight from the heart of a contemporary prayer warrior.'

PETE GREIG

Co-Managers

“God did and does share the responsibility of managing the earth with his people. ... God has shared his power with you. He calls you a co-manager of heaven, walking around on earth. Prayer is how this moves from a biblical rumour to your actual, everyday experience.”

Praying like Monks, Living like Fools
Tyler Staton

We learn to Listen

*'It is better in one year to
have ten good verses
transferred into the
substance of our lives than
to have every word of the
Bible flash before our eyes.'*

Dallas Willard, Hearing God



We learn to Listen

‘Do not hurry. Do not dabble in spiritual things. Give time for each stage to play itself out fully in your heart.’

The stages:

- *Information*
- *Longing* for it to be so
- *Affirmation* that it must be so
- *Invocation* to God to make it so
- *Appropriation* by God’s grace that it is so.

Dallas Willard, Hearing God



Trust the Father's love for you

*Seek first his kingdom and his
righteousness, and all these
things will be given to you as
well.*

*Your Heavenly Father knows
what you need.*

Matthew 6:33, 32



Pray

*Your Kingdom
come*

Your Kingdom grow

Your will be done

Amen

