

GOD'S DUE ORDER IN KINGDOM ECONOMICS

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Matthew 6:29; Glory (excellence, dignity, and grace)

No one can serve two masters. For either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Matthew 6:24

But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all his kingdom and his righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and THEN all these things TAKEN TOGETHER will be given you BESIDES.

Matthew 6:33 (Amplified)

But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:31-33 (NIV)

Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."

Luke 17:20-21

When we speak about the kingdom of God, then we have to understand that this is the glory of God here on earth; now.

The kingdom of God also operates in another system. All kingdoms have various components in order to operate effectively, even God's kingdom. This is the system in which we must operate!

A health program - Healing

• An educational program - The teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit

A tax system - Tithes

A communication system
Diplomats
Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Ambassadors of Christ

An administration system - Ministry of the Holy Spirit using people, that we call the church

An economy - A system of giving and receiving (sow and reap)

Jehovah has prepared His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 103:19

God's will is prosperity

Let those who favor my righteous cause and have pleasure in my uprightness SHOUT FOR JOY AND BE GLAD and say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, Who takes PLEASURE in the PROSPERITY of His servant. And my tongue shall talk of Your righteousness, rightness, and justice, and of (my reasons for) Your praise all the day long.

Psalm 35:27, 28 (Amplified)

The Word says: Let them always say: Great is the Lord who takes pleasure in the prosperity of his child...My tongue will praise your righteousness, your praise all the day long!

This means always and continuously will I walk in His Word, the whole day long. If you will do this day after day, God's Word (the incorruptible seed) will eventually take root in your soul. When your soul is continually walking in God's Word, the manifestation of God's blessing isn't far.

Then, in regard to all things I pray that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 1:2)

No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not fail you nor forsake you.

Only be strong and very courageous so that you may be careful to do according to all the Law which My servant Moses commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may act wisely wherever you go.

This book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it by day and by night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall act wisely.

Joshua 1:7-8

For then YOU SHALL MAKE your way prosperous, and then YOU SHALL deal wisely and have good success (Amplified).

The source of our prosperity

And now, the Master, GOD, sends me and His Spirit with this Message from GOD, your Redeemer, The Holy of Israel: I am GOD, your God, who teaches you how to live right and well. I show you what to do, where to go.

Isaiah 48:17 (Message)

If you had listened all along to what I told you, your life would have flowed full like a river, blessings rolling in like waves from the sea. (vs. 18)

I am the Lord your God, Who teaches you to profit, who leads you in the way you should go.

Isaiah 48:17 (Amplified)

Patterns and procedure

These are the <u>statutes</u> and <u>judgments</u> which you shall be careful to do in the land which Jehovah, the God of your fathers gives you to possess it, all the days that you live upon the earth.

Deuteronomy 12:1

God gives us patterns and ways according to which we must operate. The kingdom of God has an order, an administration! If we do not know the way – the order and administration of the kingdom, then we need His actions, in other words, how we should act. If you know the statutes and judgments, the actions will follow you.

So Moses' father-in-law said to him, the thing that you do is not good.

Both you and these people who are with you will surely wear yourselves out. For this thing is too much for you; you are not able to perform it by yourself.

Listen now to my voice; I will give you counsel and God will be with you: Stand before God for the people, so that you may bring the difficulties to God.

And you shall <u>teach them the statutes and the laws</u>, and <u>show them the way</u> in which they must walk and the <u>work they must do</u>.

Exodus 18:17-20

- 1. Teach them statutes and the laws
- 2. Show them the way
- 3. Work they must do

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without preaching?

Romans 10:14

What is expected from us?

We have to change the pattern and procedure of the way we have always done things.

I beseech you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God to present your bodies a <u>living sacrifice</u>, holy, pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, in order to prove by you what is that good and pleasing and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.

Matthew 6:33

Firstly (in time, place, order, or importance): - before, at the beginning, chiefly, first (of all).

Therefore you shall keep every commandment which I command you today that you may be strong, and go in and possess the land which you cross over to possess.

Deuteronomy 11:8

If we, as co-heirs, function according to God's kingdom, we have to understand that God does not operate in a way that we have always been used to.

Deuteronomy 11:9-12

- The land is different to Egypt. There they planted a seed and had to do hard labor to water it, like a vegetable garden. (vs. 10 Message)
- Other patterns and procedures.
- There is just mountains and valleys (it is very big and not like a vegetable garden any more), and everybody is dependant on rainwater. (You can not water this land with a hose pipe. It will need rain from heaven to satisfy it.) (vs. 11 Message)

If God gives us a "bigger land", it means that we will have to do things differently than what we are used to.