

WHAT'S NEXT?

GETTING MORE OUT OF YOUR SUNDAY SERVICE



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This week we are looking at our response to Pastor Ronnie Phillips message titled, "Kingdom Mission" (Luke 12:32; Romans 5:1-12). Take time to examine this message more closely, alone, with family or a friend. This message will also be discussed on Sunday in many LifeGroups at Abba's House.

1. Last week Pastor Ronnie defined the Kingdom as **a domain over which a King rules**. He explained our heavenly citizenship, our newfound freedom in the Kingdom, and a new law that took the place of our shame and guilt. The new law was the law of the Spirit. This week he continued his series called **Target Practice** with the message "Kingdom Mission". In this message, Pastor Ronnie explains our new rule to follow (grace), a new commandment to obey, and a new intimacy to embrace. As we focus on the grace we've been given, ask yourself if your life is under bondage to the law or if you are enjoying the freedom that the Holy Spirit has to give.
2. The King made us accepted in the beloved family of God. In Him we have redemption through His blood and enjoy the forgiveness of our sins. Scripture explains that by grace we have been saved through faith. That grace makes us completely new! Yet, some people go throughout life never being "ok" with who God made them to be. **This is a matter of identity, never fully accepting the complete redemption and renewal that comes when we become a child of God and a citizen of this heavenly Kingdom.** When your mindset shifts to the mission and the King's work, you will surpass your goals. They will be in the rear view because they've been accomplished.

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Scholars define the human ego as a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance. You must accept Christ, but you must also accept yourself as worthy to be child of the KING and an ambassador of HIS KINGDOM!

Kingdom Ego Boost – Repeat after Me!

- 1. I know who I am! My identity, God's family!**
- 2. I know I belong. I am loved and wanted!**
- 3. I know I have nothing to prove. I am valuable, loved and qualified.**

GOING DEEPER:

1. NEW RULE TO FOLLOW – GRACE (Galatians 6:16)

A. Abounding Grace (Romans 5:14-17)

Grace doesn't just save you. It gives you the ability to live in victory! It's Christ's righteousness alone that grace is based upon (Rom 5:17), and grace has set us free forever at Christ's expense. Kingdom citizens are required to operate in grace. Under the law of Moses, sin reigned! Under Christ's new rule, GRACE reigns! They don't share the throne! It is spiritually impossible for them to do so. So, you must make a choice! (Romans 5:20)

B. Amazing Grace (Romans 5:15)

This is grace for when you don't know what to do, when you fall short of your goals, when you're forsaken by men. It's grace for the morning, noon and evening, until He returns. This grace is indescribable. We cannot voice adequately the expanse of God's grace through Jesus.

Death reigned from Adam to Moses and the law exacerbated the sin problem!

- The gift of grace reigns above sin. The gift of grace has declared you not guilty.
- The gift of grace results in righteousness.
- The gift of grace prospers you!

You have to begin to believe in yourself as God sees you. Take a stand and go for your dreams. The gift of God prospers you (3 John 2-4).

C. Accepted Grace

Because you have been accepted, you have access. Paul had weakness in his life, just like we do. Thank God for the promise that whatever is going on with you is sufficient for the love of Jesus. Now is the time that we need to make sure that everyone knows the love of Jesus. People need to know they are loved and accepted into the beloved. We need to be the church, and be who God designed us to be.

Read the following passages.

- Ephesians 1:3-8
- 2 Corinthians 12:9-10
- Ephesians 1:4-6

Predestined – God set forth a path for you to follow. Not everyone will achieve their full potential, and walk out all that God intended for them. You are loved and accepted in the beloved. Choose to find and follow the path that the Lord set out for you to follow.

II. NEW COMMANDMENT TO OBEY

The Law Covenant was based on fear.

The new Covenant of Love is based on faith in the finished work of Christ.

Read the following passages.

- 1 John 4:10
- John 13:34-35
- Romans 5:6-8
- Romans 13:10

A. Moves God

B. Mends the Broken

C. Motivates the Lost

This is the most important thing that we do. Nothing is more important than the gospel and the law of love that we are commanded to obey (Ephesians 3:18-19).

III. NEW INTIMACY TO EMBRACE

Read the following passages.

- John 1:14-17
- Hebrews 6:1-2

A. It starts with a relationship with Jesus Christ. If you are walking with God and I'm doing the same, the power, favor and harvest until not be withheld from us. We must be in unity.

B. It leads to Righteousness (His)

C. It is sustained by the resurrection and the promise the King left us!