

Day of prayer and fasting - Wednesday July 7th 2010
May your Kingdom come
Matthew 6:10a

I want us to continue with the Kingdom of God this week. Sometimes in scripture the phrase the 'Kingdom of God' and the 'Kingdom of heaven' are used interchangeably. Nevertheless, we are sure that His Kingdom is the place where He reigns supreme. Last week we considered especially the fact that the Kingdom of God is still to come. We thought about the fact that when we pray 'may your Kingdom come,' we are in fact asking for the end of the age to come. This week I want us to be a little more personal in our outlook. There is a lot for us to think about today so let us do so prayerfully.

Matt 19:23-24

*23 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. 24 And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the **kingdom of God.**" NKJV*

- What exactly does Jesus mean by the statement in this verse? Feel free to read verses 16 – 22 in order to ascertain the context.
- Then write down the teaching principle the Lord wants you to adhere to, from the reading of these verses.

Now read Matt 7:21

*21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the **kingdom of heaven**, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. NKJV*

- Why would Jesus reject the person who calls Him Lord? Feel free to widen your appreciation of this passage by reading verses 15-23 of Matthew 7.
- From the extended verses (15-23), how do you know who is and who isn't the child of God?
- How will Jesus know who is and who isn't His true children

What was the topic of John's sermons Matt 3:2?

Prayer points:

- Repent where you have not submitted to the will of God.
- Pray that your salvation be evidenced by the fruit you produce
- Pray for an awareness and sensitivity to the rule of God in your life
- Pray into your findings from the bible readings today

Read Dan 7:13-14 and break out into praise, adoration and worship

God be with you all
Pastor Dave