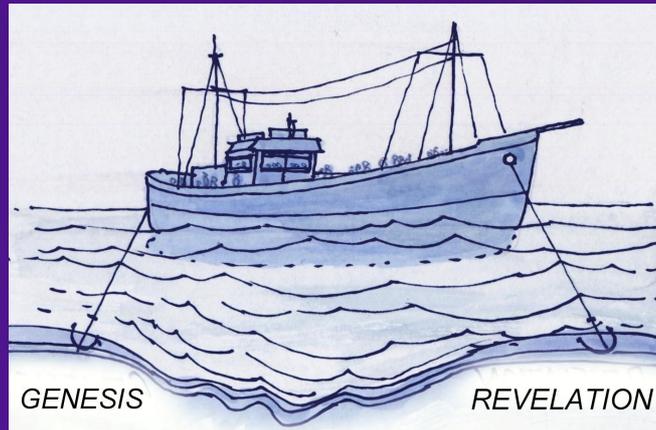


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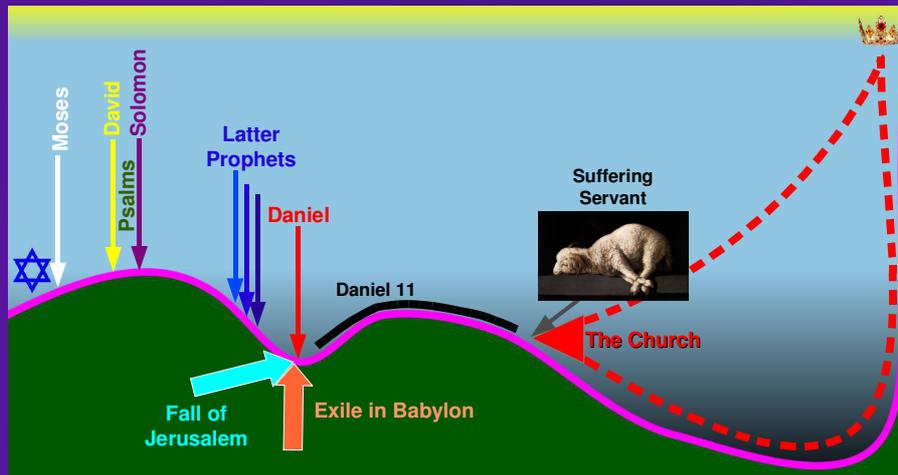
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### Acts 1:1-8

The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingship of God.

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### **Acts 1:1-8**

**And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."**

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### **Acts 1:1-8**

**Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"**

**And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."**

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### Acts 8:4-13

**5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ [the King] to them.**

*Philip did many miracles, including delivering people possessed by unclean spirits. However a man called Simon had deceived the people for a long time with his sorceries. However...*

**12 But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingship of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.**

*These included Simon .*

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### Acts 14:19-22

**Then Jews from Antioch and Iconium came there; and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead.**

**However, when the disciples gathered around him, he rose up and went into the city. And the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.**

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### **Acts 14:19-22**

**And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."**

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### **Acts 19:8-12**

**And he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingship of God.**

**But when some were hardened and did not believe, but spoke evil of the Way before the multitude, he departed from them and withdrew the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus.**

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### **Acts 19:8-12**

**And this continued for two years, so that all who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.**

**Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul, so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them.**

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### **Acts 20:17-35**

**From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them:**

**"You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews; how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house, testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.**

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#### **Acts 20:17-35**

"And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there, except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me. But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

And indeed, now I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingship of God, will see my face no more.

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#### **Acts 20:17-35**

"Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.

"Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves..."

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### Acts 28:17-31

*Paul after arriving in Rome, speaks with the Jewish leaders there.  
They responded:*

**"We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor have any of the brethren who came reported or spoken any evil of you. But we desire to hear from you what you think; for concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against everywhere."**

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### Acts 28:17-31

**So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging, to whom he explained and solemnly testified of the kingship of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening.**

**And some were persuaded by the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved.**

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#### Acts 28:17-31

So when they did not agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had said one word: "The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Isaiah the prophet to our fathers, saying,

'Go to this people and say: "Hearing you will hear, and shall not understand; and seeing you will see, and not perceive; for the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them.'"

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#### Acts 28:17-31

"Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!"

And when he had said these words, the Jews departed and had a great dispute among themselves.

Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, **preaching the kingship of God** and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus **Christ** with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

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#### **Romans 14:13-23**

**Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way.**

**I know and am convinced by the Lord Jesus that there is nothing unclean of itself; but to him who considers anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean. Yet if your brother is grieved because of your food, you are no longer walking in love. Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died.**

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#### **Romans 14:13-23**

**Therefore do not let your good be spoken of as bad; for the kingship of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.**

**For he who serves Christ in these things is acceptable to God and approved by men. Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another. Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All things indeed are pure, but it is bad for the man who eats with offence.**

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### Romans 14:13-23

It is good neither to eat meat nor drink wine nor do anything by which your brother stumbles or is offended or is made weak.

Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before God. Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves. But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin.

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### 1 Corinthians 4:17-21

For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.

Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming to you. But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord wills, and I will know, not the word of those who are puffed up, but the power. For the kingship of God is not in word but in power. What do you want? Shall I come to you with a rod, or in love and a spirit of gentleness?

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### 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. But each one in his own order: Christ the first fruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingship to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

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### 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. or "He has put all things under His feet."

But when He says "all things are put under Him," it is evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted.

Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.

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### 1 Corinthians 15:35-50

However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven. As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

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### Colossians 1:9-20

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingship of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

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### **Colossians 4:7-18**

**Aristarchus my fellow prisoner greets you, with Mark the cousin of Barnabas (about whom you received instructions: if he comes to you, welcome him), and Jesus who is called Justus. These are my only fellow workers for the kingship of God who are of the circumcision; they have proved to be a comfort to me.**

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### **2 Timothy 4:1-4**

**I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingship: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and teaching.**

**For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.**

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#### **2 Timothy 4:16-18**

**At my first defence no one stood with me, but all forsook me. May it not be charged against them.**

**But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, so that the message might be preached fully through me, and that all the Gentiles might hear. And I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingship.**

**To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!**

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#### **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

**Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingship of God?**

**Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingship of God.**

**And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.**

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### Galatians 5:16-25

Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingship of God.

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### Ephesians 5:1-14

But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingship of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.