

THE KINGDOM IN THE 21ST CENTURY

...WE ARE THE PARALLEL SYSTEM

CHAPTER #6

“JESUS VS. THE POLITICAL SYSTEM”

EQUIPPING EKKLESIA

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JOHN 18:28-40 ESV

Jesus Christ is our **ONLY** King



JOHN 18:36-37 NKJV

BIBLE STUDY

- 'Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here." Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?" Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.'" John 18:36-37
- Jesus came (was born) to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to earth.
- The Kingdom of Heaven is a Spiritual Kingdom (not Political or Religious) and is inside the hearts and minds of individuals.
- We serve One King, our Body is His Temple.
- The Ekklesia is Christ's Body on Earth – The Ruling Council of the Kingdom of Heaven.
- Our assignment is to bring more people into the Kingdom of Heaven.
- Jesus is the Door, you must pass through the Door and be Born Again to enter His Kingdom.
- While on earth, Jesus lived as a model citizen, and left us all an example to follow.

PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE TO TAKE AWAY

1. We must understand the Parallel System:

- A. The World System (Babylonian) = All the Political and Religious systems of this world.
- B. The Kingdom of Heaven = A Spiritual Kingdom: we live under the Rule of King Jesus!
- C. All the Kingdoms (Babylonian Systems) of this world will become His Kingdom! Rev 11:15

2. We must get out of the World's Systems.

- A. Revelation 18:4 *“Come out of her My people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.”*
- B. Get off of their “Game Board,” both sides are working for the same boss: other kingdom
- C. Remember: “They cannot control you, if you do not need them.”

PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE TO TAKE AWAY

3. Be Salt and Light everywhere: (Matthew 5:13-16)
 - A. Across the back yard fence, at work, grocery store, gas station, family reunion
 - B. Local Activism: School Board, City Council, County Council, Neighborhood Assoc.
 - C. Enter Political & Religious Systems: **Only** if you are **Called** to it (Double Agent)
4. Be Bold and Be Loud
 - A. Practice Peaceful Non-Compliance
 - B. Boldness is a Kingdom attribute, fear is from the other system
 - C. Determine to be a Truth listener and a Truth Teller (Jesus' words in John 18:37)
5. Be Prepared for blow-back from the other system (both the religious and the political).
 - A. Both Rome and the Jews conspired together to kill Jesus.
 - B. Both the Roman Emperor and the Jews conspired together to kill Christians.
 - C. We must anticipate a similar response, since they all still serve the same boss.

CLOSING STATEMENT

“The ‘Great Awakening’ is not the masses of humanity rising to a new level of Christ Consciousness that’s being called ‘From Dark To Light.’

Rather it will come when Patriots and Christians alike realize that both sides serve the same boss, and that they have been played.

Many hearts will be broken, many will be disillusioned, and many will become hopeless.

Then the Ekklesia must rise to the occasion with HOPE and point them in the direction of the narrow path of LIFE.

Only Jesus can save us...

There is only one King...

He is the only way out of this mess and into His Kingdom!”

- Russ

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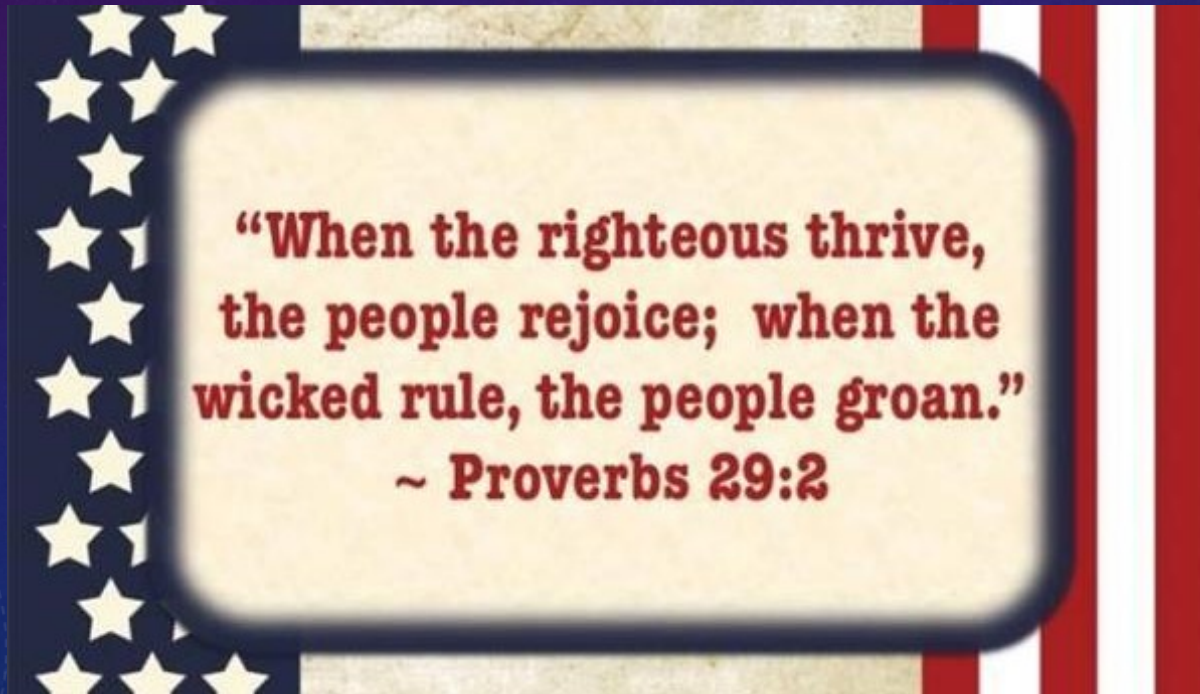
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