



E. This is God’s plan for the universe.

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F. So in order to understand the Bible and God’s plan for your life you must have a basic concept of his plan for the universe and our planet. 1 Cor 15:19, 1 John 3:1-3, Eph 1:15-23

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**III. The kingdom, like our salvation, has three tenses**

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A. The kingdom ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) had a past territorial dimension, based on the terms of God’s covenant with David.

B. The kingdom ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) has a present abstract spiritual dimension, because Christ has inaugurated “new covenant” salvation of Gentiles in order to make his people the Jews jealous, Rom 10:19; 11:11, Col 1:13.

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C. The kingdom ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) has a future concrete and material dimension, because Christ brings it in, at his Second Coming. Matt 26:29, 3:6,11

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# D2 Phase 4 — Part 8

## How to Study the Bible



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### The Two Kingdoms

**I. There are two distinctly different kingdoms in the Bible – the kingdom of God and the kingdom of heaven**

A. The kingdom of God is \_\_\_\_\_, Rom 14:17, 1 Cor 15:50, John 3:1-8, 1 Cor 4:20, Luke 17:21.

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B. The Kingdom of Heaven is \_\_\_\_\_, Gen 1:1, Dan 7:13-14, Jer 23:5, Isa 9:6-7, Luke 1:31-33

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**Seven Reasons to See a Gap in Gen 1:1-3, Isa 45:18, 34:11, Jer 4:23, 2 Pet 3:6,7, 1 John 1:1,5, 1 Tim 6:16, Psalm 104:2**

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A. Gen 1:1 – The world that then was, 2 Pet 3:6

B. Gen 1:2 – Its ruin

A'. Gen 1:3-31 – The heavens and earth which are now, 2 Pet 3:7

B'. Gen 2:1-3 – Its blessing

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e. The New Testament demands it, Rom 1:20, 2 Cor 4:6, Job 15:15, Job 25:5, Gen 1:1-2, Psalm 148:4; Jer 51:15-16, Isa 14:12-16, Ezek 28:15-16

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2. Within the gap, the fall of Lucifer (7 letters) takes place and he becomes Satan (5 letters), Job 38:4-7, 2 Pet 3:3-7, Gen 2:8-9

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B. Replenishing the kingdom was commissioned to Adam after the fall of Lucifer, Gen 1:26; Luke 3:38

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C. Adam forfeited the Kingdom through his fall in Genesis 3. Gen 2:16-17, 5:3, Dan 3:25, Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7, Gen 6:2,4

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D. When Jesus Christ came the first time as the Son of God, he brought both kingdoms with him because he was the “last Adam” and “second man,” 1 Cor 15:45,47, Mark 1:15 / Matt 4:17, 1 Cor 15:45-50, Rom 5:12-21; 1 John 3:2

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I. Sons of God in glorified bodies (the church) will reign with the Lord Jesus Christ for all of eternity in the Kingdom of God, Rev 21:9-14,22-27.

**There Are Four “sons of God” in Bible**

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ – 1/3 fell at the fall of Lucifer, Rev 12:4
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ – sinned and lost his chance to replenish the earth on the way to the cosmos
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ – coming as God the Son, won the victory where Adam fell
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ – replace the 1/3 of the angelic sons of God who fell, making both kingdoms complete again, Rom 8:29-30, 1 Cor 15:35-58

**IV. Tracing the literal Kingdom of Heaven through the Bible.**

A. The Kingdom of Heaven was originally controlled by Lucifer, 2 Pet 3:3-7, Gen 1:6-7,9-11,28, Isa 14:12

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B. It was commissioned to Adam after the fall of Lucifer, Gen 1:26-28, Gen 3:16-19

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C. Rule of the earth in this literal kingdom passed by faith in God’s grace to Noah, Heb 11:7, Gen 3:15, Gen 6, Gen 5

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D. Noah was given the same commission after the flood that Adam had before the flood, with the exception of no spiritual kingdom, Gen 9:1-7

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**Seven Similarities Between Adam and Noah**

1. Told to replenish the earth
2. Sinned while naked
3. Sinned through fruit/grape
4. Both had three sons
5. Given dominion over the earth
6. In both cases that dominion was preceded by a flood
7. That flood was God’s judgment of a rebellion instigated by Satan, Rom 11:33

E. Rule of the earth passed from Noah to Abraham through the line of Shem, Gen 12:1-3, 15:1-7, 22:15-18; Rom 4:11-12,16, Matt 25:34, Eph 1:4, Rev 13:8

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F. This earthly kingdom passed to Abraham’s lineage through Isaac, Jacob, and the Nation of Israel, Gen 25:1-6

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1. Nebuchadnezzar’s Dream of Gentile Dominion, Daniel 2

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ reigns (the head of gold), Dan 2:37-38
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ (Medo-Persia) rules the earth (the arms and chest of silver), 2 Chron 36:22-23
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ and the Greeks (the thighs of brass)
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ (the legs of clay and iron)
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ are under control of the usurper-king, Satan, Dan 10:13; Luke 4:5-6

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J. The Kingdom of Heaven was then “at hand” at the first coming of Jesus Christ, Matt 11:11-15, 12:14

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K. With the formal rejection by Israel’s leadership in Matthew 12, the Kingdom of Heaven was put into mystery form, as Jesus teaches in the parables of chapter 13, Matt 12:24,31-32, 13:1,10-17,34-35,51-52

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L. Israel had a final chance to accept Jesus as their Messiah and receive the offer of the Kingdom in Acts 1-7, but they formally and finally rejected it with the stoning of Stephen, Acts 1:6, 7:55-56

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M. From the stoning of Stephen to the second coming of Jesus Christ, the literal Kingdom of Heaven remains in a mystery form and counterfeited by Satan through the Imperial Church of Rome, 1 John 2:16; Matt 4:8-9

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N. The Kingdom of Heaven will be given to the Jews at the second coming of Jesus Christ and they will rule the earth with their King in Jerusalem. This is called the Millennium, Luke 21:24, Rom 11:25, Deut 28:1-2, Dan 2:44-45

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## Addendum 6

### The Kingdom of God vs. The Kingdom of Heaven

<b>KINGDOM OF GOD (SPIRITUAL)</b>	<b>Approx Dates</b>	<b>Historical/Biblical Reference</b>	<b>KINGDOM OF HEAVEN (LITERAL)</b>
Under control of Lucifer	?	Eternity Past (Gen. 1:1)	Under control of Lucifer
	?	Fall of Lucifer (Gen. 1:2) (Isa. 14:12-19)(Eze. 28:11-19)	
Under control of Adam	4004 BC	Adam created (Gen. 1:26)	Under Control of Adam
Spiritual Kingdom forfeited. No spiritual Son of God on earth	4001 BC	Fall of Adam (Gen. 3:6)	Remains under control of Adam and his descendants through Noah to Israel.
	587 BC	Captivity of Jews (Dan. 1) (Jer. 39)	History of Old Testament Jewish Nation
		Period “between the Testaments” (Mal-Matt) No Kingdom present on Earth	Under control of Satan (Luke 4:5-7)
Kingdom “At Hand” Offered to Jews, but rejected	AD 30	First coming of Christ Matthew, Mark, Luke & John	Kingdom “At Hand” Offered to Jews, but rejected
Kingdom remains on earth Through Body of Christ	AD 33	Final rejection by Jews of Stephen (Acts 7)	Kingdom remains under control of Satan (Times of the Gentiles)
Kingdom goes out with church No spiritual Son of God on earth	Any Day Now	Rapture of Church (Rev. 4) (I Thess. 4:13-18)	
		Tribulation Period (Rev. 4 – Rev. 19) No Kingdom present on earth	False Kingdom of Heaven Established by Antichrist
The King brings the Kingdom back in the glorified Church	AD 2xxx	Second Coming of Christ (Rev. 11:15) (Rev. 19:11-16)	The King brings in the Kingdom
Kingdom in full manifestation as Church Age Saints rule with Jesus Christ		Millennium (Eze. 40-48) (Rev. 20:1-6)	Kingdom in full manifestation with Jesus Christ on the throne in Jerusalem
	AD 3xxx	White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:11-15)	
The Body of Christ in Eternity Reigning as Sons of God in glorified bodies	Forever And Ever	Eternity Future	The nation of Israel in Eternity populating the universe in the Kingdom of Heaven