

The Time of the Lord's Favor

Kingdom Citizens: Who They Are & What They Do

Luke 4:16-22; Luke 7:18-22 (ESV)
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THE BIG IDEA:

Christ's declaration in Nazareth is more than an announcement of the Kingdom—it is the charter by which every citizen of His Kingdom is called to live until He returns.

I. KINGDOM CITIZENS _____ WITH UNBREAKABLE CONFIDENCE

The Kingdom of God that had been promised by Isaiah is here. Christ Jesus is the anointed Messiah King of the Kingdom of God. Welcome to the time of the Lord's Favor!

II. KINGDOM CITIZENS _____ THE KING'S CHARACTER

- *Proclaimer of Good news*
- *Merciful*
- *Compassionate*
- *Healer*
- *Giver of Hope*

These qualities define the charter of His Kingdom!

III. KINGDOM CITIZENS _____ THE KING'S MISSION

We are demonstrations of grace! The King who saves us, transforms us and works in and through us to minister His grace to others around us!

IV. KINGDOM CITIZENS _____ UNTIL THE KING'S RETURN

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."
Matthew 24:14

YOUR NEXT FAITHFUL STEP

Talk it over with your family and friends this week:

1. *How does the answer to John the Baptist's question give evidence that Jesus really was the "Promised Messiah King?"*
2. *How does the answer to John the Baptist's question give comfort, assurance and confidence in the hardships we face daily?*

Daily Identity Reminder

Remember that every believer is a citizen of the Kingdom of God. Each morning ask: "How can I walk with the King today and be a blessing to those around me?"