

Entering and Reigning In The Kingdom Part 5-Inhibitors To The Kingdom C

Matthew 5:1 Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him,

2 and he began to teach them saying:

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Here, "poor" is translated from ptochos, which literally means "to crouch or cower as one helpless." It signifies the beggar, the pauper, one in abject poverty, totally dependent on others for help and destitute of even the necessities of life. the poor were people who recognized their utter helplessness before what life had dealt them. They recognized that nothing within their power solved their weak state, thus they would eagerly reach out to others for assistance in rising out of their situation, as a beggar would.

20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, **you will certainly NOT ENTER the kingdom of heaven.**

Numbers 14:44 Nevertheless, **in their presumption** they went up toward the high hill country, though neither Moses nor the ark of the LORD's covenant moved from the camp. **45** Then the Amalekites and Canaanites who lived in that hill country came down and attacked them and beat them down all the way to Hormah.

1 Corinthians 9:23 I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. **24** Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? **Run in such a way as to get the prize.** **25** Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. **26** Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air.

27 No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will **not be disqualified for the prize.**

Jude 1: 3 Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the **salvation WE SHARE**, I felt I had to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to the saints.

4 I say this because some ungodly people have wormed their way into your churches, saying that **God's marvelous grace** allows us to live immoral lives. The condemnation of such people was recorded long ago, for they have denied our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

5 Though you already know all this, **I want to remind** you that the Lord delivered his people out of Egypt, but later destroyed those who did not believe. **6** And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their own home—these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the great Day. **7** In a similar way, Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave themselves up to **sexual immorality** and **perversion**. They serve as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal (*age-lasting*) fire. **8** **In the very same way**, these dreamers pollute their own bodies, reject authority and slander celestial beings.

Jeremiah 11: 6 The LORD said to me, "Proclaim all these words in the towns of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem: '**Listen** to the terms of this covenant **and follow them**. **7** From the time I brought your forefathers up from Egypt until today, I warned them again and again, saying, "Obey me." **8** But **they did not listen** or **pay attention**; **INSTEAD**, they followed the **stubbornness** of their evil hearts. So I brought on them all the curses of the covenant I had commanded them to follow but that they did not keep.' "

Romans 2:1 You, therefore, **have no excuse**, you who pass judgment on someone else, for at whatever point you judge the other, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things. **2** Now we know that God's judgment against those who do such things is based on truth. **3** So when you, a mere man, pass judgment on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgment? **4** Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance? **5** But because of **your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart**, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. **6** **God "will give to each person according to what he has DONE."**

7 To those who BY PERSISTENCE in DOING GOOD seek (Matt 6:33) glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. (age lasting life) **8** But for those who are self-seeking (*remember we have seen how many will look at themselves before all else*) and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. **9** There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; **10** but glory, honor and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. **11** For God does not show favoritism. **12** All who sin apart from the law will also perish apart from the law, and all who sin under the law will be judged by the law. **13** For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. **14** (Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law, **15** since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing, now even defending them.) **16** This will take place on the day when God will judge men's secrets through Jesus Christ, as my gospel declares.

Zephaniah 2:1 Gather together, gather together, O shameful nation, **2** before the appointed time arrives and that day sweeps on like chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD comes upon you, before the day of the LORD's wrath comes upon you. **3 Seek the LORD**, all you humble of the land, you who do what he commands. **Seek righteousness**, seek **humility**; perhaps you will be sheltered on the day of the LORD's anger.

Matthew 25:31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. **32** All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

33 He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. **34** "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take **your inheritance**, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me (*they did something*) something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,

36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' **37** "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' **40** "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these **BROTHERS** of mine, you did for me.' **41** "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. **42** For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, **43** I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' **44** "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' **45** "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' **46** "Then they will go away to eternal *(age lasting)* punishment *(to restraint, to curb, to cut off---this is the outer darkness)*, but the righteous to eternal life. *(age lasting life in The Kingdom-context V:34)"*

Numbers 15:27-28 **27** " 'But if just one person sins **unintentionally** *(through ignorance)*, he must bring a year-old female **goat** for a **sin offering**. **28** The priest **is to make atonement** before the LORD for the one who erred by sinning unintentionally, and when atonement has been made for him, **he will be forgiven**.

Numbers 18:17 "But you must not redeem the firstborn of an **ox, a sheep or a goat; they are holy**. Sprinkle their blood on the altar and burn their fat as an offering made by fire, an aroma pleasing to the LORD.

Exodus 12:5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep **or the goats**.

Hebrews 12:16-17 See that no one is sexually immoral, or is godless like Esau, who for a single meal **sold his inheritance rights** as the oldest son. **17** Afterward, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. He could bring about no change of mind, though he sought the blessing **with tears**.