



Connecting to Christ in the 21st Century

Part 6

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Introduction - In this Series, we are learning about, ***“What the Kingdom of God is, and How it Works.” The Kingdom of God is not a Place, it is the Operating System that God uses to Do Everything He Does, Everywhere He works, in Heaven and on Earth.***

Some 2000 years ago, Jesus taught people about the Kingdom of God in Parables, natural stories relating spiritual truths with things they were familiar with and handled daily. The people of that day were mostly Farmers, Fisherman, or Shepherds. So, He used terminology like seeds, nets, and sheep to help them understand how the Kingdom of God works.

If Jesus would have been born on the earth in the 21st Century, He would use Tools that we are familiar with and have our hands on every day to teach us about the Kingdom of God and How it works. I think He would use computers.

In this Series we are taking the Timeless Truths Jesus Taught about the Kingdom of God and bringing them into 21st Century Terminology using something we handle daily, computers. Our society uses and is in contact with computers daily. We onboard computers in our cars, laptops in our briefcases, desktops in our homes and businesses, we have tablets and smart phones in our hands and we even have them around our wrists! We shop, fill up our gas tanks, do our banking, pay our bills, book vacations and some have even found a spouse on the computer!

With all that said, I think I would be accurate in estimating that most people are somewhat familiar with computers. So, I would like to take this opportunity to explain the Kingdom of God by using computer terms that will help us, relate to, understand, and remember how it works.

I am not attempting in any way to give a computer training course; any more than Jesus was trying to give a horticulture lesson to His disciples. I just want to use things we are familiar with and handle every day of our life to help you to understand how the Kingdom of God works.

“The Truth about the Kingdom of God and How It Works is Sacred, The Tools we use to Teach about How It Works are Not.”

I. The Kingdom of God is like an _____ for a Computer.

A. The Operating System is _____ onto the Hard Drive of a Computer.

- B. The Computer user must give _____ to the Operating System Corporation to access the Hard Drive to install the new Operating System.
- C. Part of the Installation process is the _____ of the old Operating System.
- D. Two Operating Systems Cannot _____ at the same time on a Computer Hard Drive.
- E. The Operating System Runs all the _____ and _____ used on the Computer.
- F. All Programs and Software must be _____ to the Computers Operating System.

II. What is in the _____?

- A. When you purchase a New Operating System Online and download it onto your computer or buy it in a Store, you get a _____ that you must input that unlocks the Operating System for your use.
- B. The Operating System comes equipped with _____ that enable you to solve many _____ and give you the ability to create many new things!
- C. _____ is an Operating System that Programs like; Word, Outlook, Power Point, Publisher, Access, and Excel.
- D. To give an analogy of How the Kingdom of God Runs, I am going to _____ these _____ many are well acquainted with to Teach how we can Apply these same understandings with the Kingdom of God.

- 1. God's _____ – Every Promise in God's Word is yes and amen to you, In Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:20 - For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. NKJV

- 2. God's _____ – Connecting your Schedule to The Kingdom of God and being able to Fellowship with Him and all who are in The Kingdom.

Ephesians 4:16 - from whom **the whole body, joined and knit together** by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love. NKJV

- 3. God's _____ – Creating Great Visuals and Demonstrations of His Power by the Kingdom of God.

Mark 16:17-18 - And **these signs will follow those who believe**: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." NKJV

- 4. God's _____ – Go into all the World and Publish His Word, Making Disciples of all Nations.

Matt 28:18-20 - And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. NKJV

Mark 5:19-20 - Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee. **And he departed and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel.** KJV

Mark 13:10 - And the gospel must first be published among all nations. KJV

5. God's _____ – His Ability to Work Everything Together for Your Good.

Romans 8:28 - And we know that **all things work together for good** to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. NKJV

6. God's _____ – Tracking God's Values in your life, making sure your Bottom Line is Good.

Proverbs 21:2 - Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, But the LORD weighs the hearts. NKJV

7. **Universal _____ - _____ Connection** – Wirelessly Connect to the Kingdom of God Anywhere, Anytime, for Anything.

Psalms 139:7-12 - **Where can I go from Your Spirit?** Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me; Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You. NKJV

8. **Unlimited _____ Support** – The Holy Spirit, our Helper leads us and Guides us into all Truth.

John 14:16-18 - And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever — **the Spirit of truth**, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. NKJV

John 16:7 - Nevertheless I tell you the truth. **It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.** NKJV

9. _____ - _____ **Protection** – The Blood of Jesus Cleanses us from all Unrighteousness.

1 John 1:5-10 - This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. NKJV