

# SEEK HIS KINGDOM

September 26, 21 | Luke 12:31-34 | Pastor Michael Foster

- The Kingdom of God is...
  - His! (Luke 11:2, Luke 6:31)
  - Not (yet) physical (John 19:30, Luke 17:20-21)
  - Accessible (Luke 17:21, Mark 1:15, Luke 10:9, Luke 11:20)
  - Calling for a response (Mark 1:15, Luke 9:59-62, Luke 18:17)
  - Received through humility (Luke 6:20, Luke 18:15-17, Luke 18:23-25)

\*Note the “already/not yet” realities of the Kingdom of God!

- Seek His Kingdom
  - Because God will take care of the rest (v. 31)
  - Because your Father loves giving it (v. 32)
  - Because it will last forever (v. 33)
  - Because your heart follows your investment (v. 34)

# FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

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- Meditate on all of Luke 12.
- Meditate on the many references in Luke to the Kingdom of God – 4:42, 6:20, 7:28, 8:10, 9:27, 9:60,62, 10:9, 11:2, 11:20, 12:31,32, 13:18,20, 13:28, 17:20,21, 18:10,17, 18:24,25,29, 19:11, 22:18, 22:29-30.
- Read “Already, Not Yet” -- [www.desiringgod.org/articles/already-not-yet](http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/already-not-yet)
- Read “The Kingdom of God in 8 Words” -- [www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/kingdom-god-8-words/](http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/kingdom-god-8-words/)
- Listen to “Behold Him” – [www.youtube.com/watch?v=NyW-u7CEe\\_A](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NyW-u7CEe_A)
- Listen to “Seek Ye First” - [www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsBpM9IcBts](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsBpM9IcBts)
- Listen to “Build your Kingdom Here” -- [www.youtube.com/watch?v=YcSWpVKKMcs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YcSWpVKKMcs)
- Read *The Kingdom Agenda* by Tony Evans (also *Kingdom Man* and *Kingdom Woman*)

# GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. What is one area of life where you tend to reach for more control than you should? Why do you think we tend to want so much control in life?
3. What is something you learned about the kingdom of God today?
4. Read Matthew 5:3-12. How is this teaching from Jesus so different than what the disciples would have expected from the Messiah?
5. In your own words, explain how the kingdom of God is both “already and not yet.”
6. What are some ways in which God’s kingdom agenda has been different than your agenda in various situations in life?
7. In what specific ways has Jesus proved Himself to be a good and faithful king in your life?
8. Read Revelation 21:1-4. What are some things we can look forward to in the coming, physical kingdom of God?
9. Share about someone who has invested well in God’s kingdom. How have you seen this person’s heart follow their investment?
10. What is one practical way you can “seek His kingdom” in the coming weeks? What might it look like for you?