



SEEK RIGHTEOUS AND YOUR RIGHTS

A. Seek First the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness

1. Matthew 6:24-34 – “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” (v.33).
2. Jesus assumes that if you have a choice, then you’ll choose God.

B. It Is the Father’s Good Pleasure to Give You the Kingdom

1. Luke 12:31-32 – “Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom” (v.32).
2. It is God’s will for you to enjoy kingdom rights.
3. Galatians 1:4 – “Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father.”
4. Colossians 1:12-13 – “...hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son” (v.13).

C. We Have Kingdom Rights Now

1. Most Christians don’t know their kingdom rights.
 - a. Luke 15:11-32
 - i. The older son had the same inheritance as the younger but didn’t know his rights.
2. You are an heir to that kingdom and all of its resources are yours now.
 - a. Deuteronomy 28:11 (AMP) – “And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity...”
 - b. Keys to prosperity:
 - i. Joshua 1:8 – “This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.”
3. Your needs should be met now as if you were already in heaven.
 - a. Philippians 4:19 – “But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”
4. Don’t wait until you get to heaven to use your Kingdom rights.



D. Seek His Righteousness

1. Romans 10:10 – “...believeth unto righteousness...”
2. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 – “...that we might be made the righteousness of God...” (v.21)
3. Romans 5:17-19 – “...gift of righteousness...” (v.17)
4. Romans 3:21-26 – “To declare...his righteousness...” (v.26)
5. Righteousness: rights or right standing
6. You should reign over the affairs of your life as a king reigns over a domain.
 - a. Romans 5:17 (AMP) – “For if because of one man’s trespass (lapse, offense) death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive [God’s] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and the free gift of righteousness [putting them into right standing with Himself] reign as kings in life through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).”
7. The Christian has a Bill of Rights in the Kingdom of God that is called the New Testament or New Covenant.
8. These rights will work for anyone who will put them to work.
9. Jesus is the surety of these rights.

E. What Belongs to Us in Christ

1. You are a partaker of His divine nature.
 - a. 2 Peter 1:4 – “Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature...”
2. You can stand in the presence of God without a sense of guilt or condemnation.
 - a. Romans 8:1-2 – “There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit” (v.1).
3. You have the power of attorney to use the Name of Jesus.
 - a. John 16:23 – “...Verily, verily, I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it to you.”
 - b. John 14:14 – “If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.”
4. You have access to the very Spirit of God.
 - a. Luke 11:13 – “...how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?”
 - b. 1 John 4:4 – “...greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.”
5. You have the wisdom of God.
 - a. 1 Corinthians 1:30 – “But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom...”



6. You have been blessed with all spiritual blessings.
 - a. Ephesians 1:3 – “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.”

F. A Child’s Legal Rights

1. Father’s protection
 - a. Matthew 28:20 – “...and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.”
 - b. Psalm 91:11 – “For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.”
2. Jesus’ intercession
 - a. Hebrews 7:25 – “...seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.”
3. Family lawyer
 - a. 1 John 2:1 – “...And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”
4. Son’s place in the royal family
 - a. 1 John 3:1 – “Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God...”
5. A son’s inheritance
 - a. Galatians 4:7 – “Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.”
6. Worry-free life
 - a. Philippians 4:6 (AMP) – “Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God.”
 - b. 1 Peter 5:7 (AMP) – “Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully.”



SEEK RIGHTEOUS AND YOUR RIGHTS - REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. You are to seek _____ the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and then every thing you need will be _____ to you.
2. God's will is for you to _____ kingdom rights because Jesus said in Luke 12:31-32 that it's the Father's good _____ to give you the kingdom; in Galatians 1:4 it says He gave _____ for our sins that He might _____ us from this present evil world because it was God's will; and in Colossians 1:12-13 Paul states we have been _____ into the kingdom of His dear Son.
3. The Christian's Bill of Rights is called the New _____ or _____ and these rights will work for anyone who puts them to _____ because Jesus is the _____ of these rights.
4. You are now an _____ to the kingdom, and all of its _____ so use your Kingdom rights now as your needs should be met right _____ according to Philippians 4:19 and the Lord shall make you have a _____ of prosperity according to Deuteronomy 28:11; and you should be _____ as a king over the affairs of your life according to Romans 5:17.
5. These things belong to us since we are heirs and in Christ: you are a _____ of His divine nature, you can stand in His _____ without a sense of guilt or condemnation; you can use the name of _____ like a power of attorney; you have access to the very _____ of God; you have been given the _____ of God and you are blessed with all spiritual _____.
6. Every child has _____ rights.
7. We are entitled to the Father's _____ according to Matthew 28:20 and Psalm 91 because He is with us until the end of the world and He's given His _____ charge over us.
8. Jesus is now _____ for us according to Hebrews 7:25 and He is our _____ with the Father like a family lawyer (1 John 2:1).
9. We are now part of the royal _____ so we are entitled to a _____ place in the family now that we are called the sons of God according to 1 John 3:1 and a son's _____ according to Galatians 4:7.
10. We are not to fret or have any anxiety (Philippians 4:6), but to cast all our cares over on Him (1 Peter 5:7) so this means we are entitled to a _____ free life.



SEEK RIGHTEOUS AND YOUR RIGHTS - ANSWER KEY

1. (first, added)
2. (enjoy, pleasure, Himself, deliver, translated)
3. (Testament, Covenant, work, Surety)
4. (heir, resources, now, surplus, reigning)
5. (partaker, presence, Jesus, Spirit, wisdom, blessings)
6. (legal)
7. (protection, angels)
8. (interceding, Advocate)
9. (family, son's, inheritance)
10. (worry)