



**REVOLUTIONARY**

# THE DELIGHTFUL KINGDOM

LUKE 13:10-22

## The kingdom of God ...

**I. ... is led by a \_\_\_\_\_ monarch of impeccable integrity and unequalled character.** (vv. 10-17)

- A. His sacrificial concern extends to all His subjects, especially those who are ruined and in need of freedom.
- B. His strong scepter can crush evil authorities in heaven and on earth.

*... Jesus Christ ... the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom ... Revelation 1:5-6*

**II. ... started out virtually invisible but has experienced consistent external \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the last 2,000 years.** (vv. 18-19)

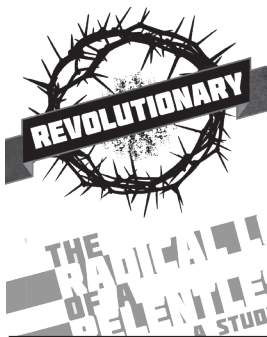
- A. It began not with pomp, show or publicity – but with a tiny seed in a manger.
- B. It is so influential that it has spread throughout the earth and now benefits all nations.

*All kings will bow down to him and all nations will serve him. Psalm 72:11*

**III. ... will continue to subtly \_\_\_\_\_ human hearts as it grows toward the King’s ultimate coronation.** (vv. 20-21)

- A. The gospel of Christ is the most powerful influence in the world for changing lives and transforming societies.
- B. It is hidden from the natural man but its divine energy is obvious to the king’s subjects.

*“... and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.” Matthew 16:18*



**“We often read that Islam is the fastest-growing religion. Not true. Christianity is the fastest-growing religion in the world today ... Christianity is a force on every continent and in every major region of the world, with the sole exception of the heartland of Islam, the Middle East.”**

Dinesh D’Souza,  
**What’s So Great About Christianity?**

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1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ of being a part of the most impactful, life-changing spiritual movement of the ages.
2. History is not “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” – it is moving toward His glorious coming and rule on earth.

*The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever.” Revelation 11:15*

## General

**SHAPE CLASS STARTS TODAY** Join us today at 10:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall East to discover how God has crafted you for His service. No pre-registration required.

**FAMILY BACKYARD TONIGHT** Celebrate the end of the summer break! Join us tonight in the Great Room immediately following the 5 p.m. service as we go to the circus! Come hungry for hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream and fellowship – and there will be a bounce house and bubble wrap for kiddos.

**BAPTISM CLASSES START NEXT WEEK** Aug. 22 and 29 at 6:30 p.m. If you're interested in becoming a candidate for baptism on Sept. 12, contact Betty at BettyM@christchapelbc.org or 817-546-0827 to reserve a spot. Next baptisms are Oct. 31 and Dec. 12.

**CALLING ALL GREETERS!** Within the first seven minutes of visiting a church folks will decide if they'll return. Make a difference in someone's life. Sign up to greet today. We need greeter's for our new 11 a.m. Converge worship service and our other three services. Email Wade at wsmith70@live.com.

**COUPLES RETREAT** Sign-up has been extended until Aug. 22 for the "Reconnect, Rekindle, Renew" Fall Couples Retreat, Sept. 10-12 at Stillwater Lodge in Glen Rose, Texas. Come to the Info Desk or contact Linda at 817-546-2518 or LindaB@christchapelbc.org.

## Women

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN** for the Women in the Word fall Bible study, "Walking with Jesus: Lessons He Taught Along the Way" which begins Thursday, Sept. 9. Sign up at the Women's Kiosk or register online at [www.cbcfamily.org/womenintheword](http://www.cbcfamily.org/womenintheword). Wee Care registration: [www.cbcfamily.org/wee-care](http://www.cbcfamily.org/wee-care).

**CONFIDENT CONVERSATIONS: SHARING YOUR FAITH WITH COLLEAGUES & FRIENDS** Sept. 11, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join the women of CCBC and our women's downtown ministry, Common Ground for a half-day workshop on merging friendly conversation and evangelism. We'll talk about how to turn everyday discussions to things that matter, as well as how to share the gospel with confidence. Cost: \$10.

*\*Please note changes to the following room names:*

What was known as the **Small Sanctuary** is now the **Chapel**;  
what was known as the **Chapel** is now the **Family Room**

## Coming up AT CHRIST CHAPEL

### Men

**"DAD-SIZED CHALLENGE" WEEKEND: FOR DADS ONLY** Friday, Aug. 27, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 28, 9 to 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Our Ministries to Men, Students and Children have teamed up with Life Stage Pastors to bring speaker Jeff Kinley, author of 14 books including *A Dad-Sized Challenge: Building a Life-Changing Relationship with Your Son*. If you have a 5th through 12th grade son, plan on steak dinner with Jeff on Friday. If you have a 0 through 4th grade son, come to a breakfast and a time of equipping and encouragement on Saturday morning. If you have both, attend both! Pay a \$10 suggested donation at the door. Register with AllieW@christchapelbc.org or 817-546-0818 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 25.

**BASIC TRAINING: SEASON 3: REGISTER NOW!** We begin Sept. 8 and 9. Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the Chapel,\* or Thursdays at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Jesus said He came to serve, not be served — what about you? Join the men of Christ Chapel as we discover the rich rewards that come from a life of service. For details: Contact Ben at BenB@christchapelbc.org or 817-546-6178.

### Global Missions

**TA ETHNE LUNCH TODAY** 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. God is directing our Elders and Missions Committee with a new Global Missions Philosophy for short- and long-term missions. Micah Barnum and Mike Stevener will explain and answer questions. We'll also hear from Life Stage 1 about a recent mission trip to China. Lunch provided.

### Children

**SAY YES!** to serving the Next Generation. Experience the joy of being a volunteer leader or assistant leader in our children's classes on Sundays. We have curriculum, training and lots of great kids. If God is calling you to be part of this vital ministry, email DonnaF@christchapelbc.org or see us at the table in the Great Room.

## Soul Care

Contact Soul Care at [www.cbcbsoulcare.org](http://www.cbcbsoulcare.org), 817-546-0827, or email [AdelaideR@christchapelbc.org](mailto:AdelaideR@christchapelbc.org) for more details or to register for any of these upcoming classes:

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** Mondays 7 to 9 p.m. in the Bubble. Ready for a change? Step out of denial into God's grace. Join us for our Christ-centered, 12-step group for those with hurts, habits and hang-ups. Children's Ministry is available up to age 12 by contacting DonnaB@christchapelbc.org.

**GRIEF SHARE: "SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS"** Saturday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m. to Noon in the Family Room.\* This is a seminar providing practical biblical advice on managing grief during holidays. It will address topics such as what to do about changes to traditions and finding strength and hope in a seemingly hopeless time. Cost: \$4. RSVP by Aug. 28.

**EQUIPPED TO COUNSEL** Begins Sunday, Sept. 12, 5 to 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall East. "Equipping the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ" (Eph 4:12). This class shows believers how to disciple the suffering so they may help others. Cost: \$30.

**HELPING OTHERS CHANGE** Begins Sunday, Sept. 12, 10:45 a.m. to Noon in H4. A hands-on overview of the process of biblical change that will transform the way you think about helping others. Become equipped to be part of the change process in others' lives through 12 lessons, homework, discussion and life application. Cost: \$20.

**DIVORCE CARE** Begins Monday, Sept. 13, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. If you're recovering from a divorce, learn how to deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your life. This 13-meeting series featuring biblical teaching and is hosted by people who understand what you are experiencing. Cost: \$14. Children's Ministry available for children up to age 12 by contacting Donna at DonnaB@christchapelbc.org.

**DIVORCE CARE FOR KIDS (DC4K)** Begins Monday, Sept. 13, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. DC4K is a biblically-based, Christ-centered ministry designed to bring healing to children of divorce, pointing them to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The comprehensive 13-week program is designed to run concurrently with adult Divorce Care. Cost: \$14. Due to limited space, pre-registration is required. This class is for children who can read to age 12 and Children's Ministry is provided for ages 6 and under with a reservation to DonnaB@christchapelbc.org.