

# Kingdom Report

Week of 29 February 2020

## **Solutions Part 4: The Government of God on Earth as it is in Heaven**

Can we establish the government of God on earth now or must we wait for Jesus to return to Jerusalem and set up His Kingdom.?

Let's be practical here. I have been writing about a vision for Southern Africa of revival and restoration and establishing the Kingdom of God over this territory as a testimony to the nations....is this realistic? I don't mean is it realistic to save souls or create jobs or do better on the economy or poverty relief etc. I mean practically as in "Can we realistically and in a Biblical sense get to the point and say Jesus is Lord over Southern Africa and Jesus reigns!".

To put it in another way: We all pray "Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven...." And say yes may His will be done in our lives, in our business, in our family....but is it realistic to think that the will of God can be done over a whole nation?

The vast majority of evangelicals do not actually believe this can be done now in this time we are living. This can only happen one day when Jesus returns in physical form to sit on His throne in Jerusalem over a restored kingdom of Israel and ruling the earth from there.

Let me give you a sign of this type of expectation and its implications:

This current edition of Feb/March edition of our local gospel magazine Joy and its Afrikaans edition Juig (both of which I like supporting!) have an article "**Is South Africa Cursed because of our governments attitude of Israel?**". The answer to that question in the article is a resounding Yes! South Africa is cursed because we do not bless Israel. Think of that for a moment....if only our government would send money and support to the government of Israel our whole nation would erupt into blessings and prosperity. Of course that means everything I have been writing is a waste of time on two fronts:

- Number one, this is not the time for the Kingdom of God on earth, that will only come some day in the future when Jesus returns to Jerusalem with the armies of heaven and sets up His government on earth.
- Secondly, if a country here on earth now wants to be blessed it all depends on how they treat Israel God's chosen people.

So basically I am wasting my time here. All this nonsense about monetary policy, new banking and currency proposals, renewable energy, commonwealth, education and skills development, dominion over the earth ...all this is meaningless as far as blessing for the nation....it isn't time for it, it is the end times, world government is coming and so is the Antichrist.

Now I am about to tell you what I believe the real government of God looks like on earth and tell you how we implement it and most of you are not going to believe me. But don't worry I don't know one preacher who agrees with me on this so you are in good company.

But before you throw out what I am about to describe to you is the scriptural manner for the manifestation of the government of God on earth and before you scoff at that...let me just ask you to be brutally honest about the alternative preached from the pulpits which goes like this (in short summary form):

It is the end times; next is the 7 year Great Tribulation when the Antichrist comes to make a pact with the Jews, which is broken and Armageddon breaks out, the nations of the earth join with the Antichrist against Israel of which  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the Jews get slaughtered but at the last moment Jesus and the armies of heaven and the resurrected saints who have been raptured either before the Tribulation, during the Tribulation or after the Tribulation (there are 3 different view points here) come to destroy the nations and their armies. Jesus and the angelic army and the about 1 billion resurrected saints all in invulnerable heavenly spirit bodies set up an international empire over all the earth ruled from a revived Jewish kingdom where they all rule over the surviving human population of earth for 1000 years. At the ends of that 1000 years Satan is released and the entire earth population (which by this time numbers in the tens of trillions of people) are so disgusted with the government of Jesus and His billion super-heroes in their super spirit bodies that cannot die and that huge army of angels keeping watch on every one...that the whole earth sides with Satan and in retaliation God destroys the whole earth and starts all over again with a new heaven and a new earth.

I reject all of that! And it is no wonder that although the vast majority of the people of Southern Africa are Christians and charismatic or Pentecostal Christians we are still in dire poverty and it is getting worse year by year. What testimony is this for the Lord? And you think if we just "bless Israel" then there will be miraculous prosperity (along with tithing to the local church), that there will be peace in the land?

Do you really think that the only way God can rule His people is that Jesus must physically sit on a throne in Jerusalem and give out orders by angel couriers?

If you think this how Jesus wants to rule over the earth ask yourself this question: Why didn't He just do exactly that right after His resurrection...He returned to His disciples in His glorified resurrected body with the wonderful new 'All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth...'

Wow! Can you sense the excitement in the disciples? It is time for the Kingdom, the King is back from the dead and He can fly, He can walk through walls, He is indestructible...lets have another go at a triumphant march into Jerusalem but this time not on a donkey but with Jesus (Superman) flying in with angels around Him. Why just days ago the whole Jerusalem were there with palms and Hosanna's crying and shouting to make Him King. Don't you think that the best time to have the kind of Jesus in Jerusalem kingdom that evangelicals dream about was right there in that moment. Think about how easy it would have been to go into all the earth to make

disciples with the resurrected supernatural King sitting on throne in Jerusalem with the armies of heaven at His call. Rome and the Caesar would have to bow! Liberation for the oppressed masses. Relief from unjust taxes. Let's be honest folks...this is exactly what everyone hopes for with the 'Second Coming of Christ'.

Well here is the reality. No Jesus did not march into Jerusalem to proclaim Himself Lord and King and Saviour of the world. What did He do? Here is what He did:

- He said it is better for you that I go away because I am going to send you another comforter, the Holy Spirit who will dwell in you and you will receive power.
- He said now all of go into all the world and make disciples of all men.
- And then to just emphasize the point and the mistaken idea that they had that God wants to restore a Jewish kingdom with Jesus ruling from Jerusalem....Jesus proceeded to destroy Jerusalem and the Temple right to the ground....and with it over a million people eagerly waiting for the Jewish Messiah to come and rescue them from the Romans and set up the throne of David again in Jerusalem.

Do you honestly think that if Jesus had no intention to set up an earthly throne in Jerusalem in 33 AD when He rose from the dead and all power was given unto Him...do you really think He has been waiting 2000 years to do that today?

Here is what is really going to happen and this is how we really establish the government of God and the Lordship of Jesus over Southern Africa.

Firstly recognize that God gave us the roadmap with the Israel Template. God shows us in the history of Israel how He wants to be King and how He wants to rule:

God set up the nation of Israel with a written constitution on how they are to run their lives, their economy, their welfare, their justice system, their government. Yes it is all there in a radical for its time constitutional republic. Then God said He was their king. He will rule over them and His presence on earth will not be in a capital city sitting on a throne....His presence will be in a tabernacle. A tent! Not some grand palatial Temple of marble....in a plain simple Tent! That is where you can go to seek the Lord.

By the time we get to Samuel 8 we see that eventually the people of Israel were not happy with this arrangement. They want a visible king. So God warned them this is a costly mistake, God said you will pay dearly for this in more wars and taxes....but no they want a visible king.

That whole nation and government of Israel eventually fell apart. Let me tell you why. It is very simple. And the solution to God's new government and the way He wants to rule is very important for you to understand. He told Jeremiah what He was going to do to build a new nation and a new Israel and how He was going to rule:

Jeremiah 31:33 ***"But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days saith the Lord I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts and will be their God and they shall be my people."***

The Kingdom of God is not an oligarchy. It is a family. All the kids are 'kings' or princes by right of birth. We are not 'subjects' of a King. We are citizens of a

heavenly Commonwealth. We get to participate in God's government. All of us.

God's method of "rule" is not dictates from afar on a throne with threats...it is His ways, His laws written on our hearts so that we do not need instructions from Jerusalem as to what government regulations and policy are...they are written on our hearts by the indwelling Holy Spirit who leads us into all truth.

That is why Hebrews 10:16 repeats Jeremiah.... ***"This is the covenant with them after those days saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts and in their minds will I write them."***

Can you see now why Jesus does not march into Jerusalem with an army to set up a Kingdom on earth? He has every intention of establish His rulership over all the earth but it will not be legislation and dictates from earthly Jerusalem to people all over the earth...it will be written into the hearts and minds of people through the process of the rebirth and the process of discipleship. That is how you become a member of the family of God and how you become a participating citizen of the government of God.

When you have the indwelling Spirit of God within you, then you know the mind of Christ, you know what God's commandments are for you to do today, in your work, in your family in your community.

But what about what Israel had: What about the incredible need for a place where the presence of God is to be found on earth. If Jesus is not going to be visibly sitting on a throne in Jerusalem, how will we know that the presence of God is on earth to guide the nations... If not in Jerusalem where will it be?

Well actually it will be in Jerusalem...the New Jerusalem....

Rev. 21:2-3 ***"And I John saw the holy city the new Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven like a bride adorned for her husband, And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying Behold the tabernacle of God is with men and he will dwell with them and shall be his people and God himself shall be with them and be their God."***

So yes the presence of God will be on earth. In Israel of old it was in an old tent tabernacle. And what is this new tabernacle of God in which He dwells on earth? John describes it as a New Jerusalem. Which scripture says is the Bride of Christ. Which scripture says is the Church, which is also the Body of Christ of which He is the head, which is also described as the Temple of God where He dwells.

So to answer the issue: Can we have the government of God over Southern Africa here on earth as it is in heaven? The answer is yes. But it all depends on the presence of God in His Tabernacle the Church. The government of God will be manifested here on earth to the extent that we the people of God are discipled to have the mind of Christ and the laws of God written on our hearts.

That is such a critical and important statement that I am going to repeat it: The government of God will be manifested here on earth to the extent that we the people of God are discipled to have the mind of Christ and the laws of God written on our hearts.

And by the way....there is coming soon an incredible move of God in His Church all over the world in which the tangible manifest presence of God will be of a greater power and intensity that we have ever experienced because the time is upon us that the church is ready for greater works that need to be done needing greater power.

Then this is what happens:

God sends His disciplined people into all the earth...into the economy, into government, into education and into science and technology and construction....and each of those disciples have the mind of Christ for that portion of the world that God has sent them. And they make disciples of those around them so that sector by sector the economy, the government, the social sphere etc each sector of the life our nation are filled with the knowledge of the Lord.

That is how Jesus becomes the “King of kings and the Lord of lords” because our great King has according to Rev. 1:6 ***“For he has made us kings and priests unto God and His Father”***. Jesus disciplines you into a king and priest here on earth by giving you dominion over that part of the earth that He has sent you in.

You don’t need Jesus sitting in Jerusalem to give you governmental instructions on what is Kingdom policy and what are your instructions for the day. He is now seated in heavenly places where He rules. You are seated with Him in heavenly places. You have been born of the Spirit and His Holy Spirit is guiding you into all truth.

This is the government of God in heaven and on earth in action.

The government of God is not one day coming when Jesus sits in Jerusalem. His Kingdom had already come and it is spreading into all the earth through your obedience to your calling and your destiny.

It is my job in this website ministry to get you Kingdom orientated and actually believe and plan for the government of God now, not one day. That is why I am raising issues like the economy, monetary and fiscal policy, education, environment, health, welfare....I want you to visualize the manifestation of the rule of Christ now!

Get out of the dead-end theology of a coming Jewish kingdom. That is all deception. Get your eyes off of earthly Jerusalem, get your spirit tuned into the real New Jerusalem. Get your eyes off of signs of a temple in Jerusalem and get it on the real Temple of Christ...the Church and get involved in your local church and community. Get your eyes off of “signs of the end times and the Antichrist” and look around you to see signs of world revival and the manifestation of Christ in all the earth.