

DOMINION OVER THE FORCES OF DARKNESS

“And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.”

(Daniel 7:27)

God permitted Daniel to see the benefits of the kingdom Age many years before Jesus Christ came to the world, probably four hundred and ninety years. God knows the future and behaviour of humanity and imparts a minute part of that knowledge to his prophets. All the prophets prophesied about the coming of the Messiah. These are called the messianic prophecies. We see many of these in the prophetic writings and Psalms. Daniel saw the coming of the kingdom and dominion of Jesus Christ and how the greatness of the kingdom shall be given to the saints of the Most High. Isaiah also prophesied about Christ's kingdom as follows:

*“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. **Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end,** upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.” (Isaiah 9:6-7)*

Jesus, the Wonderful Counsellor and the Prince of Peace is associated with His government which increases unto everlasting life. This means that God's kingdom is not instant and static. It is dynamic and progressive. The Hebrew

word for dominion is synonymous with government and all point to an empire or rule or power. It was installed by Jesus the Messiah when He came into the world. One day Jesus called the disciples with an assignment to preach the gospel of the kingdom around town:

“Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.” (Luke 9:1) “And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.” (Luke 10:9) This means that when demons are cast out and diseases are healed, the kingdom of God has come. The coming of the kingdom is accompanied by dominion and power demonstration. Jesus said,

“But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.” (Luke 11:20). If you are a true believer, you have dominion over Satan himself and all his minions. Do not fear demons. If you lack knowledge in this area, you will be cheated by demons, false prophets etc. Read God's word and locate your rights of redemption and authority to rule your world.

PRAYER & CONFESSION

I take dominion over every power of darkness fighting against my destiny in Jesus' name. Amen!