



# RCCG OCEANIA

Evangelism & Mission

## AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST'S KINGDOM

### AT A GLANCE

#### BIG IDEA

As ambassadors for Christ, believers are tasked with reconciling others to God and manifesting His kingdom on earth. This involves embodying the light of the world, operating in the power of the Holy Spirit, and living as new creations in Christ. Through understanding and applying these principles, believers can effectively demonstrate God's will and authority.

#### PRIMARY PASSAGES

2 Corinthians 5:17

John 3:1-6

Matthew 5:14

1 Corinthians 4:20

Revelation 1:6

## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Believers are new creations in Christ, tasked with reconciling others to God.
- Being born again is essential to seeing and entering the kingdom of God.
- Believers are the light of the world, meant to shine and manifest God's kingdom.
- The kingdom of God is demonstrated through power, not just words.
- Believers are empowered by the Holy Spirit to fulfill their ambassadorial role.

## INTRODUCTION

Believers in Christ are called to be His ambassadors, representing His kingdom on earth. This role involves a transformation into new creations, a spiritual rebirth, and a commitment to living out the principles of God's kingdom. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, believers are equipped to shine as lights in the world, demonstrating the authority and love of God.

## SCRIPTURE READING

**2 Corinthians 5:17** — Explains the transformation into a new creation in Christ.

**John 3:1-6** — Jesus' teaching on the necessity of being born again to see the kingdom of God.

**Matthew 5:14** — Describes believers as the light of the world, highlighting their role in manifesting God's kingdom.

**1 Corinthians 4:20** — Emphasizes the kingdom of God as a demonstration of power.

**Revelation 1:6** — Describes believers as kings and priests, highlighting their authority in God's kingdom.

## KEY POINTS

**1. NEW CREATIONS IN CHRIST** — Believers are transformed into new creations through their faith in Christ. This transformation is not just a change in behavior but a fundamental change in identity. As new creations, believers are tasked with the ministry of reconciliation, bringing others into a relationship with God. This new identity empowers believers to live out their role as ambassadors for Christ, representing His love and truth to the world.

- Reflect on your identity as a new creation in Christ.
- Seek opportunities to share the message of reconciliation with others.
- Embrace the transformation and live out your new identity daily.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:17

**2. BORN AGAIN FOR THE KINGDOM** — In His conversation with Nicodemus, Jesus emphasizes the necessity of being born again to enter the kingdom of God. This spiritual rebirth is essential for believers, as it marks the beginning of a new life in Christ. Being born again involves a transformation of the heart and mind, aligning one's life with the values and principles of God's kingdom.

- Examine your own spiritual rebirth and its impact on your life.
- Pray for a deeper understanding of what it means to be born again.
- Share the importance of spiritual rebirth with others.

Scripture: John 3:1-6

**3. LIGHT OF THE WORLD** — Believers are called to be the light of the world, shining brightly to manifest God's kingdom. This involves living in a way that reflects God's love, truth, and righteousness. As lights in the world, believers have the responsibility to guide others towards God and His kingdom, illuminating the path to salvation.

- Identify areas in your life where you can shine more brightly for Christ.
- Engage in acts of kindness and service to reflect God's love.
- Encourage others to live as lights in their communities.

Scripture: Matthew 5:14

## KEY POINTS (CONT.)

### 4. POWER OF THE KINGDOM — The kingdom of God is not just in words but in power.

Believers are empowered by the Holy Spirit to demonstrate this power through their actions and lives. This power is evident in the ability to overcome sin, live righteously, and perform acts of love and service. It is through this power that believers can effectively fulfill their role as ambassadors for Christ.

- Seek the empowerment of the Holy Spirit in your daily life.
- Demonstrate the power of God's kingdom through acts of love and service.
- Pray for opportunities to show God's power in your community.

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 4:20

### 5. KINGS AND PRIESTS — Believers are made kings and priests unto God, signifying their authority and responsibility in His kingdom. This role involves leading others in worship and service to God, as well as exercising spiritual authority in their lives. As kings and priests, believers are called to live with integrity and purpose, representing God's kingdom on earth.

- Embrace your role as a king and priest in God's kingdom.
- Lead others in worship and service to God.
- Exercise spiritual authority with humility and love.

Scripture: Revelation 1:6

## GROUP DISCUSSION

Tip: Use these questions to guide the group from seeing → understanding → applying.

### OBSERVATION

- What does it mean to be a new creation in Christ according to 2 Corinthians 5:17?
- How does Jesus describe the process of being born again in John 3:1-6?
- What role do believers play as the light of the world in Matthew 5:14?

## **INTERPRETATION**

Why is being born again essential for entering the kingdom of God?

How does the concept of being the light of the world relate to manifesting God's kingdom?

In what ways does the power of the kingdom differ from mere words?

## **APPLICATION**

- How can you live out your identity as a new creation in Christ?
- What steps can you take to shine more brightly as a light in the world?
- How can you demonstrate the power of God's kingdom in your daily life?

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

Pray for a deeper understanding of your role as an ambassador for Christ.

Ask for the Holy Spirit's empowerment to live out your new identity.

Seek guidance on how to effectively reconcile others to God.

## **NEXT STEP**

Reflect on how you can actively embody your role as an ambassador for Christ in your daily interactions.

## **CONCLUSION**

As ambassadors for Christ, believers have a significant role in manifesting God's kingdom on earth. Through their transformation as new creations, spiritual rebirth, and empowerment by the Holy Spirit, they are equipped to shine as lights in the world. By embracing their identity as kings and priests, believers can effectively ...

## **CONCLUSION (CONT.)**

represent God's authority and love, drawing others into His kingdom.

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