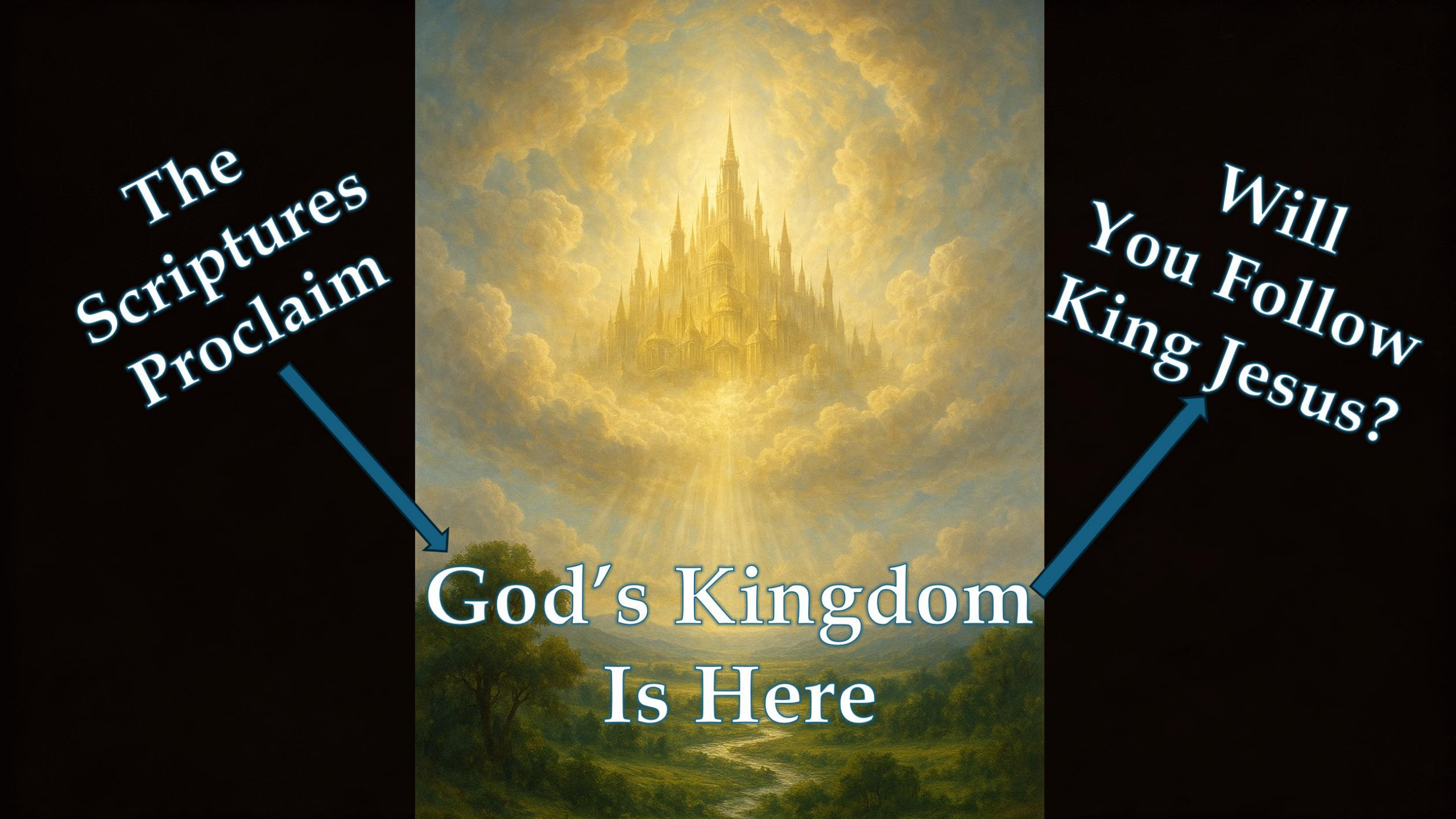


TALK TOUGH ABOUT Tough Questions

How should we understand Biblical sexuality
(singleness, marriage, and LGBTQ+)?

And... how should we discuss this topic with
those who disagree with biblical sexuality?

Sunday, November 16th from 6 pm – 7:30 pm



*The
Scriptures
Proclaim*

*Will
You Follow
King Jesus?*

*God's Kingdom
Is Here*

**Obeying the
Call to Expand
God's Kingdom**

King Jesus and His Kingdom

Judah's & David's lines & the time for God's Kingdom were prophesied.

The plan to kill young Jesus was thwarted/ Kingdom ministry began.

Repentance, kingdom blessings, & the call for good fruit were preached.

Jesus is stronger than the enemy & grants His authority to believers.

The Messiah/ King was prophesied to die for sin & to be raised to life.

The King's gift of grace comes with the person & power of the Holy Spirit.

The disciples & apostles were obedient to kingdom expansion

Acts 8:11-12 (HCSB) ¹¹ They were attentive to him because he had astounded them with his sorceries for a long time. ¹² But when they believed Philip, as he preached the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.

Acts 19:8 (NIV) ⁸ Paul entered the synagogue and spoke boldly there for three months, arguing persuasively about the kingdom of God.

Acts 28:23 (LSB) ²³ And when they had set a day for Paul, they came to him at his lodging in large numbers; and he was explaining to them by solemnly bearing witness about the kingdom of God and trying to persuade them concerning Jesus, from both the Law of Moses and from the Prophets, from morning until evening.

The Foundation's Been Laid & We're Equipped with the Spirit to Bring the Good News of the Kingdom, so that many can become a dwelling place for God

Ephesians 2:17-22 (NKJV) ¹⁷ And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner *stone*, ²¹ in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²² in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Equipping and using strategies for expanding God's Kingdom

- ❑ We must regularly be in God's word, prayer, and Christian fellowship.
- ❑ God's kingdom needs to be recognized as a community of believers who look like our King, not like the world and culture around us.
- ❑ God's kingdom needs to be seen as a family of believers by those on the outside - a family others long for.
- ❑ Though the ultimate judgment is coming for every individual (eternal destruction for the lost), we must recognize that scripture proclaims that it is God's kindness/ goodness that brings people to repent.
- ❑ Regularly pray for opportunities for Spirit-led conversations to present the Gospel of the Kingdom to friends, family, neighbors, etc.
- ❑ Actions alone don't fully share God's Kingdom, and your testimony is a powerful tool to share with the world who desperately needs Jesus.

Be faithful in sharing, even when the good news is rejected

Matthew 5:11-16 (CSB) ¹¹ "You are blessed when they insult you and persecute you and falsely say every kind of evil against you because of me. ¹² Be glad and rejoice, because your reward is great in heaven. For that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you. ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty? It's no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

First, do you have Christ's light? If yes, will you keep it shining?