

# The Immovable Kingdom

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## Introduction

1. Text Hebrews 12:18-29
2. Daniel foretold of the establishment of the immovable kingdom. Daniel 2:44
3. John the Baptist announced the coming of the kingdom Matthew 3:1-2
4. Christ predicted this immovable kingdom's coming. Matthew 4:17
5. The apostles were told to preach of this kingdom Matthew 10:7
6. The seventy were told to preach of this kingdom Luke 10:9
7. The kingdom of heaven Matthew 19:23 and the kingdom of God Mark 10:25 are used interchangeably
8. The kingdom of the Son Matthew 16:28 and the Kingdom of God Mark 9:1 refer to the same kingdom.
9. The church and the kingdom of heaven refer to the same institution. Matthew 16:18
10. This kingdom came into existence in Acts 2.
11. Let us notice some other things about this kingdom

## II Discussion

1. The immovable nature of Christ's kingdom is contrasted to the temporal nature of earthly kingdoms. Vs 28
  - a. Daniel prophecy Daniel 2:44
    - i. Daniel could look back on the Assyrian empire but it was history
    - ii. While Daniel was prophesying might Babylon was falling Daniel 5:30-31
    - iii. The Persian empire was not eternal, nor was the Grecian, nor the Roman
  - b. The kingdom of Hebrews 12:28 is the kingdom of Daniel 2:44
  - c. When Hebrews was written the kingdom was not future, but existing!
2. The immovable nature of Christ's kingdom is contrasted with the temporal nature of the Jewish church. Hebrews 12:18-21
  - a. Stephen refers to Israel as the church in the wilderness Acts 7:38
  - b. The Hebrew writer in verses 18-21 is obviously referring to the events which transpired in connection with the giving of the law to Israel. Exodus 19:16-25; Deuteronomy 4:13
    - i. This covenant, ten commandments, God wrote on two tables of stone. Deuteronomy 4:13
    - ii. This covenant was not permanent Hebrews 8:7-13
    - iii. The law was to be fulfilled Matthew 5:17-18
    - iv. The law was given "till" (adverb of time) the seed should come Galatians 3:19,16
    - v. Christ took away the first covenant Hebrews 10:9-10 Colossians 2:14 Romans 7:1-4
  - c. Christ's kingdom is permanent; it is immovable Hebrews 12:28
3. The immovable kingdom is contrasted to the temporal nature of earthly things Hebrews 12:27

- a. God called the rich farmer a fool because he placed too much emphasis on temporal things Luke 12:15-21
    - i. Things of the earth are subject to moth, rust, and corruption Matthew 6:19-21
    - ii. One's association with things is brief Luke 12:20
    - iii. One cannot take material things with him when he leaves this earth. 1 Timothy 6:6-10
  - b. In verse 26 the Hebrew writer applied Haggai prophecy (Haggai 2:6) to the changing and passing of earthly things, including earth itself.
  - c. Peter plainly declared that the earth and earthly things are temporal 2 Peter 3:10-12
  - d. How foolish then for one to be so "earth bound," i.e. having mind set on "things of the earth" (Colossians 3:1-2) that he neglects his citizenship in the immovable kingdom 2 Peter 3:11; Philippians 3:20 NKJV
4. Why is the kingdom of Christ immovable?
- a. The nature of the power which produces the kingdom
    - i. The seed of the kingdom is God's living abiding indestructible word Luke 8:11; Matthew 5:18; 24:35
    - ii. Human kingdoms rise, survive and fall on fleshly power 1 Peter 1:24
    - iii. The seed of the kingdom abides forever 1 Peter 1:22-25
  - b. The kingdom is built on an immovable foundation
    - i. The stone has been tested, tried and proven Isaiah 28:16
    - ii. The one on whom the immovable kingdom is built conquered the greatest power over man – death Acts 2:32
    - iii. The foundation is laid the living Son of God 1 Corinthians 3:11
    - iv. The kingdom has an eternal king Matthew 28:18

### III Conclusion

- 1. It is essential for people to be in the kingdom
  - a. To be meet (fit) for the heavenly kingdom
  - b. To be delivered from the kingdom of Satan
  - c. To have redemption and forgiveness of sin Colossians 1:12-14
- 2. Why not become a part of this immovable kingdom now.

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