

Kingdom Now

Part 6

Mark 1:15

“The time has come,” He said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

Mark 11:8-10, 18

Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!” Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, He went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill Him, for they feared Him, because the whole crowd was amazed at His teaching.

Mark 12:14-17

They came to Him and said, “Teacher, we know that You are a Man of integrity. You aren’t swayed by others, because You pay no attention to who they are; but You teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not? Should we pay or shouldn’t we?”

But Jesus knew their hypocrisy. “Why are you trying to trap Me?” He asked. “Bring Me a denarius and let Me look at it.” They brought the coin, and He asked them, “Whose image is this? And whose inscription?”

“Caesar’s,” they replied. Then Jesus said to them, “Give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s.” And they were amazed at Him.

Mark 13:1-2

As Jesus was leaving the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, “Look, Teacher! What massive stones! What magnificent buildings!” “Do you see all these great buildings?” replied Jesus. “Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.”

Mark 14:1, 12, 22-24, 48

Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill Him.

...Jesus’ disciples asked Him, “Where do You want us to go and make preparations for You to eat the Passover?”

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take it; this is My body." Then He took a cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," He said to them.

"Am I leading a rebellion," said Jesus, "that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture Me? Every day I was with You, teaching in the temple courts, and You did not arrest Me."