

Praying for Reign

“A Righteousness that Exceeds”

- Introduction:
1. John’s ministry was one of preparation; preparation for the coming Kingdom of God.
 2. However, before John was beheaded, he asked for assurance.
 3. Jesus said to tell John, “The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the gospel preached to them (Matthew 11:4-5).
 4. The nature of God’s kingdom was breaking on the scene, and aren’t you eagerly awaiting God’s kingdom in its fulness?
 5. (Matthew 6:10).
 6. (Matthew 5:20).
 7. How can we allow the Lord to reign in us today?

I. He Reigns In Us Through Proper Priorities

- A. (Matthew 5:13-16).
- B. (Matthew 6:24).
- C. (Hosea 6:6).
- D. (Matthew 22:34-40).

II. He Reigns In Us Through Proper Motives

- A. (Matthew 6:1-18).
- B. (Matthew 23).
- C. (1 Corinthians 13:1-3).
- D. (1 Corinthians 10:31).

III. He Reigns In Us Through Proper Allegiance

- A. No less than six times, Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said...” (Matthew 5).
- B. The traditions of men had usurped the authority of God.
- C. (Matthew 15:8-9).
- D. (Matthew 17:5).

- Conclusion:
1. Pray for Reign!
 2. Embrace it with childlike enthusiasm and joy.
 3. And when people see you, it will be apparent who’s your King.