THE QUESTION

Can a Christian be loyal to both earthly kingdoms and the kingdom of God?

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The short answer *Interpretation: our reading of the passages, not their words*

Not with the same kind of loyalty. The early writers say Christians live under earthly rulers, pay taxes and serve them in ordinary matters, but they belong to God's kingdom, which is not of this world. Worship, final loyalty and hope go to Christ alone, so no earthly kingdom is a Christian's true home.

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Jesus says his kingdom is not worldly

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

In the Gospel harmony, Jesus tells Pilate that his kingdom does not come from this world. He points to the proof: his servants do not fight to keep him from arrest. His kingdom is real, but it is not one more earthly kingdom competing with the others.

1 “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, then my servants would fight, so that I would not be handed over to the Jews.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Tatian,** *Diatessaron* 49 (c. 150–180 AD) **Source 12, page 6** Read it in the library ›

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Christians live in the world, not of it

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

This early letter compares Christians to the soul in a body. They are spread through every city and live there, yet they do not belong to the world. They are travelers looking for a home in the heavens.

2 “The soul dwells in the body, yet is not of the body; and Christians live in the world, yet are not of the world.”

later in the same passage

“The immortal soul lives in a mortal body; and Christians dwell as travelers in corruptible bodies, looking for an incorruptible dwelling in the heavens.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Mathetes,** *Epistle to Diognetus* (c. 80–200 AD) **Source 3, page 6** Read it in the library ›

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Giving yourself to God means desiring heaven's kingdom

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

Explaining the Lord's Prayer, Cyprian names two kingdoms, a heavenly one and an earthly one. He says the person who gives himself to God and Christ does not set his desire on earthly kingdoms. His longing is for the heavenly kingdom.

3

"But we do well in seeking the kingdom of God, that is, the heavenly kingdom, because there is also an earthly kingdom."

later in the same passage

"And so, the one who gives himself to God and Christ desires not earthly kingdoms, but heavenly ones."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Treatises* (c. 248–258 AD)
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Source 27, page 7 Read it in the library ›

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The kingdom Christians seek is not human

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

Justin tells the rulers that Christians do seek a kingdom, but not a human one. He points to martyrs as evidence: if they wanted an earthly kingdom, they would deny Christ to stay alive. Their hope lies with God.

4

"When you hear that we seek a kingdom, you assume, without asking, that we mean a human kingdom; however, we speak of the one that is with God, as shown by the faith confessed by those accused of being Christians, even though they know death is the punishment for confessing."

later in the same passage

"If we sought a human kingdom, we would deny our Christ to avoid being killed, and we would try to avoid detection to achieve what we want."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Justin Martyr,** *First Apology* (c. 130–165 AD)
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Christ is worth more than every earthly kingdom

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On his way to martyrdom, Ignatius says all the kingdoms of the earth would do him no good. He would rather die for Christ than rule the whole world. His loyalty to Christ outranks any earthly power.

5

"All the pleasures of the world and all the kingdoms of this earth will profit me nothing. It is better for me to die on behalf of Jesus Christ than to reign over all the ends of the earth."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Ignatius of Antioch,** *Epistle to the Romans* (c. 98–117 AD)
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Servants of God live as foreigners here

Our note · compiled by machine learning · Interpretation: our reading of the passages, not their words

Hermas pictures God's servants as people living in a foreign city while their own city is far away. He warns that settling in too deeply leads a person to give up the law of his true city for the law of this one.

6

"You know that you who are servants of God live in a foreign land, because your city is far away from this one."

later in the same passage

"You will completely deny your law and live by the law of this city. Be careful that it does not harm you to deny your law."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Hermas,** *Shepherd* (c. 90–150 AD)
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Ordinary obedience to rulers is still owed

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

This is the limit on the other side. Justin says Christians pay taxes and gladly serve rulers in other matters, while worshiping God alone. Irenaeus adds that God, not the devil, appoints earthly kingdoms, and that Paul meant real human rulers when he taught Christians to obey and pay taxes.

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7 “Thus, we worship God alone, but in other matters, we gladly serve you, acknowledging you as kings and rulers of men, and praying that with your kingly power, you may also be found to possess sound judgment.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Justin Martyr,** *First Apology* (c. 130–165 AD) **Source 11, page 6** **Read it in the library ›**
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8 “Now, he spoke these words not regarding angelic powers or invisible rulers—as some dare to interpret the passage—but about actual human authorities, as he clarifies when he says, "For this reason, pay taxes too, for they are God’s ministers, serving this very purpose."”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Irenaeus,** *Against Heresies: Book V* (c. 175–202 AD) **Source 17, page 7** **Read it in the library ›**
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THE LIMITS

What these passages don’t tell us

- These passages do not list which public jobs or offices a Christian may or may not hold.
- Beyond worshiping God alone, they do not spell out every case where a ruler's command must be refused.
- A word-for-word match shows that a quotation really is in our text. It does not show that our reading of it is right, or who wrote each work.

WHERE EVERY QUOTE CAME FROM

The Sources

The 31 early Christian passages and 452 Bible verses we kept for this question (repeats and weak or off-topic search hits were left out): early Christian passages first (sources 1–31, grouped by writer, earliest first), then Bible verses in The Faith Once Delivered Bible (sources 32–381, in Bible order), then 102 more verses THF links to these passages, by reference. **Quote 1, page 2** beside a source shows where the study quotes it. Passages are in THF’s updated English unless marked “1885 English” (the Roberts–Donaldson translation, public domain). “… [continues online]” marks a passage the library gave only in part. **On paper?** At **thehistoricfaith.com**, Bible verses are in the **Audio Bible** and early Christian writings in the **Library** (search for the title).

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EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITERS *31 passages from 15 writers*

Barnabas, *c. 70–132 AD · source 1*

1 *Epistle of Barnabas* Since the days are evil and Satan holds power in this world, we must pay attention to ourselves and carefully seek understanding of the ordinances of the Lord. Fear and… [continues online] **read ›**

Mathetes, *c. 80–200 AD · sources 2–3*

2 *Epistle to Diognetus* (1885 English; on point 2) “are in the flesh, but they do not live after the flesh… [continues online] **read ›**

3 *Epistle to Diognetus* **Quote 2, page 2** “sum up everything in one word—what the soul is in the body, that Christians are in the world. The soul is spread throughout all the members of the body… [continues online] **read ›**

Hermas, *c. 90–150 AD · source 4*

4 *Shepherd* (1885 English) **Quote 6, page 4** says to me, You know that you who are the servants of God dwell in a strange land; for your city is far away from this one… [continues online] **read ›**

Ignatius of Antioch, *c. 98–117 AD · sources 5–8*

5 *Epistle to the Romans* **Quote 5, page 4** “the pleasures of the world and all the kingdoms of this… [continues online] **read ›**

6 *Epistle to the Romans* (on point 5) “the ends of the world and all the kingdoms of this… [continues online] **read ›**

7 *Epistle to the Magnesians* (1885 English; on point 2) “as there are two kinds of coins, the one of God, the other of the world, and each of these has its special character stamped upon it, [so is it… [continues online] **read ›**

8 *Epistles of Ignatius* (1885 English; on point 7) “subject to Cæsar in everything in which subjection implies no [spiritual] danger… [continues online] **read ›**

Justin Martyr, *c. 130–165 AD · sources 9–11*

9 *First Apology* (1885 English) **Quote 4, page 3** “if we looked for a human kingdom, we should also deny our Christ, that we might not be slain… [continues online] **read ›**

10 *Dialogue with Trypho* “glory, serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which will not be taken away; and His kingdom will not be destroyed. My spirit was chilled within my body, and… [continues online] **read ›**

11 *First Apology* (1885 English) **Quote 7, page 5** “He answered, “Tell Me, whose image does the coin bear?” And they said, “Cæsar’s.” And again He answered them, “Render therefore to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar’s… [continues online] **read ›**

Tatian, *c. 150–180 AD · sources 12–14*

12 *Diatessaron* 49 (1885 English) **Quote 1, page 2** “18:36 Jesus said to him, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be… [continues online] **read ›**

13 *Diatessaron* 10 (1885 English; on point 3) “6:33 Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness… [continues online] **read ›**

14 *Diatessaron* 47 (on point 2) to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life: that they know you alone as the true God, and Jesus the Messiah, whom you sent. I glorified… [continues online] **read ›**

Theophilus of Antioch, *c. 169–183 AD · source 15*

15 *To Autolycus* 14 (on point 7) “6:3 Moreover, concerning subjection to authorities and powers, and prayer for them, the divine word gives us… [continues online] **read ›**

Athenagoras, *c. 170–190 AD · source 16*

16 *A Plea for the Christians* 18 (1885 English; on point 7) “as all things are subservient to you, father and son, who have received the kingdom from above (for the king's soul is in the hand of God, Proverbs 21… [continues online] **read ›**

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Irenaeus, *c. 175–202 AD · sources 17–19*

17 *Against Heresies: Book V* (1885 English) **Quote 8, page 5** "As therefore the devil lied at the beginning, so did he also in the end, when he said, "All these are delivered unto me, and to whomsoever I will I… [continues online] **read ›**

18 *Against Heresies: Book IV* He is described as "a stone cut out of the mountain without hands," that smites all temporal kingdoms, scatters them, and fills the entire earth. Then, too, this same one… [continues online] **read ›**

19 *Against Heresies: Book V* (1885 English; on point 2) "again, to the Philippians he says: "But our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus, who shall transfigure the body of our… [continues online] **read ›**

Tertullian, *c. 196–220 AD · sources 20–21*

20 *Against Marcion* 25 (on point 2) "2. The apostle also calls it our mother from above, Galatians 4:26. And while declaring that our citizenship is in heaven, he says of it that it is truly… [continues online] **read ›**

21 *De Corona* 13 (on point 2) "citizenship, the apostle says, is in heaven… [continues online] **read ›**

Early Liturgies, *c. 200–400 AD · source 22*

22 *Divine Liturgy of St. Mark* 1 (1885 English; on point 7) him the victory, O God, that his heart may be set on… [continues online] **read ›**

Hippolytus, *c. 200–236 AD · source 23*

23 *Exegetical Fragments* 1 (1885 English) "it will subvert all the kingdoms, and give the kingdom to the saints of the Most High… [continues online] **read ›**

Origen, *c. 215–254 AD · sources 24–26*

24 *Commentary on John* 1 (on point 1) "saying, "My kingdom is not of this world… [continues online] **read ›**

25 *Against Celsus* 61 (1885 English; on point 1) "Jesus, knowing this well, and denying that He was a king in the sense that the multitude expected, but declaring the superiority of His kingdom, says: If My kingdom were… [continues online] **read ›**

26 *De Principiis (On First Principles)* 3 (on point 1) "the kingdom of God is within you… [continues online] **read ›**

Cyprian, *c. 248–258 AD · sources 27–28*

27 *Treatises* **Quote 3, page 3** "we do well in seeking the kingdom of God, that is, the heavenly kingdom, because there is also an earthly kingdom… [continues online] **read ›**

28 *Treatises* (on point 3) "first the kingdom of God and His righteousness… [continues online] **read ›**

Lactantius, *c. 290–320 AD · sources 29–31*

29 *Divine Institutes* 12 "all people, tribes, and languages shall serve Him. And His dominion is everlasting, which shall never pass away, and His kingdom shall not be destroyed… [continues online] **read ›**

30 *Divine Institutes* 7 (1885 English; on point 1) "however, by either name a king is signified: not that He has obtained this earthly kingdom, the time for receiving which has not yet arrived, but that He sways a… [continues online] **read ›**

31 *Divine Institutes* 24 (1885 English) "the kings of the nations shall come from the ends of the earth with gifts and offerings, to adore and honour the great King, whose name shall be renowned and… [continues online] **read ›**

THE BIBLE *350 verses, The Faith Once Delivered Bible (Old Testament from the Septuagint), in Bible order*

32 **Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God made the heaven and the earth. **read ›**

33 **Genesis 14:9** against Chedorlaomer king of Elam, Thargal king of nations, Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar: the four kings against the five. **read ›**

34 **Genesis 49:18** waiting for the salvation of the Lord. **read ›**

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35 **Deuteronomy 10:14** Behold, heaven and the heaven of heaven belong to the Lord your God, the earth and all that is in it. **read ›**

36 **Deuteronomy 12:9** for you have not yet come to the rest and to the inheritance that the Lord our God is giving you. **read ›**

37 **Deuteronomy 13:8** you shall not consent to him nor listen to him; your eye shall not spare him, you shall not long for him, nor shall you shelter him at all. (Septuagint Deuteronomy 13:9 (Deuteronomy 13:8 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

38 **Deuteronomy 30:12** It is not in heaven above, for one to say, “Who will go up for us into heaven and get it for us, and when we have heard it, we will do it?” **read ›**

39 **Deuteronomy 32:43** Rejoice, O heavens, with him, and let all the angels of God worship him; rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people, and let all the sons of God be strong in him; for he avenges the blood of his sons, and he will take vengeance and render justice to the enemies, and he will repay those who hate; and the Lord will cleanse the land of his people. **read ›**

40 **Joshua 12:10** the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, **read ›**

41 **Joshua 12:12** the king of Ailam, the king of Gezer, **read ›**

42 **Judges 5:19** Kings drew up for battle; then the kings of Canaan fought in Taanach by the water of Megiddo; they took no gift of silver. **read ›**

43 **1 Samuel 2:10** The Lord will make his adversary weak; the Lord is holy. Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast in his might, and let not the rich man boast in his wealth; but let the one who boasts boast in this: to understand and know the Lord, and to do judgment and righteousness in the midst of the earth. The Lord has gone up to the heavens and has thundered; he will judge the ends of the earth, and he gives strength to our kings, and he will exalt the horn of his Christ.” **read ›**

44 **1 Samuel 12:14** If you fear the Lord and serve him, and listen to his voice, and do not rebel against the mouth of the Lord, and both you and the king who reigns over you are following the Lord— **read ›**

45 **1 Samuel 26:19** Now let my lord the king hear the word of his slave. If God is stirring you up against me, let him smell your sacrifice; but if it is the sons of men, cursed are they before the Lord, for they have driven me out today from being established in the inheritance of the Lord, saying, ‘Go, serve other gods.’ **read ›**

46 **1 Samuel 28:13** The king said to her, “Do not be afraid. Tell me whom you have seen.” And the woman said to him, “I have seen gods coming up out of the earth.” **read ›**

47 **2 Samuel 22:8** The earth was troubled and shaken, and the foundations of heaven were thrown into confusion and torn apart, because the Lord was angry with them. **read ›**

48 **1 Kings 8:49** then you shall hear from heaven, from your prepared dwelling place, **read ›**

49 **1 Kings 20:23** And the servants of the king of Syria said, “The God of Israel is a god of the mountains and not a god of the valleys; therefore he prevailed over us. But if we fight against them in the plain, surely we shall prevail over them. (Septuagint 3 Kingdoms 21:23 (1 Kings 20:23 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

50 **2 Kings 3:13** And Elisha said to the king of Israel, “What have I to do with you? Go to the prophets of your father and the prophets of your mother.” And the king of Israel said to him, “Has the Lord called the three kings in order to deliver them into the hands of Moab?” **read ›**

51 **2 Kings 18:33** Have the gods of the nations indeed delivered each his own land out of the hand of the king of the Assyrians? **read ›**

52 **2 Kings 19:15** and he said, “O Lord God of Israel, who sits upon the cherubim, you are God alone in all the kingdoms of the earth; you made heaven and earth. **read ›**

53 **2 Kings 19:19** And now, O Lord our God, save us out of his hand, and all the kingdoms of the earth shall know that you are the Lord God, you alone.” **read ›**

54 **2 Kings 19:23** By your messengers you have defied the Lord, and you have said, ‘With the multitude of my chariots I will go up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I have cut down its tall cedars and its choice cypresses, and I have come into the midst of the forest and of Carmel. **read ›**

55 **1 Chronicles 16:20** and went from nation to nation, and from one kingdom to another people. **read ›**

56 **1 Chronicles 29:11** Yours, O Lord, are the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the strength; for you are master over all things in heaven and on earth. Before your face every king and nation is troubled. **read ›**

57 **1 Chronicles 29:15** For we are temporary residents before you, and live as foreigners, as all our fathers did; our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. **read ›**

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58 **1 Chronicles 29:30** concerning all his reign and his might, and the times that passed over him and over Israel and over all the kingdoms of the earth. **read ›**

59 **2 Chronicles 7:14** and my people, on whom my name is called, are put to shame, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their evil ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will be gracious to their sins, and I will heal their land. **read ›**

60 **2 Chronicles 12:8** For they shall become servants, and they shall know my service and the service of the kingdom of the earth." **read ›**

61 **2 Chronicles 13:8** And now you say that you will stand against the kingdom of the Lord in the hand of the sons of David; and you are a great multitude, and with you are the golden calves that Jeroboam made you for gods. **read ›**

62 **2 Chronicles 15:6** And nation shall fight against nation, and city against city, for God has thrown them into confusion with every trouble. **read ›**

63 **2 Chronicles 20:6** and he said, "O Lord God of my fathers, are you not God in heaven above, and do you not rule over all the kingdoms of the nations? And is there not in your hand strength of dominion, so that no one can stand against you? **read ›**

64 **2 Chronicles 20:30** So the kingdom of Jehoshaphat was at peace, and his God gave him rest all around. **read ›**

65 **2 Chronicles 32:19** And he spoke against the God of Jerusalem as against the gods of the peoples of the earth, the works of men's hands. **read ›**

66 **2 Chronicles 35:21** But Neco sent messengers to him, saying, "What have I to do with you, O king of Judah? I have not come against you today to make war; and God has told me to hurry. Beware of God who is with me, lest he destroy you." **read ›**

67 **Ezra 2:3** the sons of Phares, two thousand one hundred and seventy-two. **read ›**

68 **Ezra 2:27** The men of Michmash, one hundred and twenty-two. **read ›**

69 **Ezra 2:29** The sons of Nebo, fifty-two. **read ›**

70 **Ezra 4:3** But Zerubbabel and Jesus and the rest of the heads of families of Israel said to them, "It is not for us and you to build a house to our God; for we ourselves together will build for the Lord our God, as Cyrus king of the Persians commanded us." **read ›**

71 **Ezra 8:21** Then I proclaimed a fast there at the river Ahava, that we might humble ourselves before our God, to seek from him a straight way for us and for our children and for all our possessions. **read ›**

72 **Ezra 9:9** For we are slaves; yet in our slavery the Lord our God has not forsaken us, but has extended mercy to us before the kings of the Persians, to give us reviving, so that they might raise up the house of our God and restore its desolate places, and to give us a wall in Judah and Jerusalem. **read ›**

73 **Nehemiah 7:23** The sons of Bezai, three hundred and twenty-four. (Septuagint 2 Esdras 17:23 (Nehemiah 7:23 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

74 **Job 2:5** But stretch out your hand and touch his bones and his flesh; surely he will curse you to your face." **read ›**

75 **Job 6:4** For the arrows of the Lord are in my body, whose fury drinks up my blood; whenever I begin to speak, they pierce me. **read ›**

76 **Job 6:19** Look at the ways of the Temanites, you who watch the paths of the Sabeans. **read ›**

77 **Job 11:7** Will you find the track of the Lord? Or have you come to the farthest limits of what the Almighty has made? **read ›**

78 **Psalms 2:2** The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers gathered together, against the Lord and against his Christ: **read ›**

79 **Psalms 2:8** Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for your possession. **read ›**

80 **Psalms 2:10** And now, O kings, understand; be instructed, all you who judge the earth. **read ›**

81 **Psalms 12:7** You, O Lord, will keep us, and you will preserve us from this generation and forever. (Septuagint Psalm 11:8 (Psalm 12:7 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

82 **Psalms 22:28** For the kingdom is the Lord's, and he rules over the nations. (Septuagint Psalm 21:29 (Psalm 22:28 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

83 **Psalms 33:12** Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as an inheritance for himself. (Septuagint Psalm 32:12 (Psalm 33:12 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

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84 **Psalms 37:29** But the righteous shall inherit the earth, and dwell upon it forever and ever. (Septuagint Psalm 36:29 (Psalm 37:29 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

85 **Psalms 45:6** Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; the scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness. (Septuagint Psalm 44:7 (Psalm 45:6 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

86 **Psalms 47:2** For the Lord Most High is awesome; he is a great King over all the earth. (Septuagint Psalm 46:3 (Psalm 47:2 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

87 **Psalms 47:8** God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne. (Septuagint Psalm 46:9 (Psalm 47:8 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

88 **Psalms 68:32** Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praise to the Lord. Pause. (Septuagint Psalm 67:33 (Psalm 68:32 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

89 **Psalms 76:12** and takes away the spirits of rulers, who is awesome among the kings of the earth. (Septuagint Psalm 75:13 (Psalm 76:12 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

90 **Psalms 82:8** Arise, O God, judge the earth, for you shall have an inheritance among all the nations. (Septuagint Psalm 81:8 (Psalm 82:8 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

91 **Psalms 97:6** The heavens declared his righteousness, and all the peoples saw his glory. (Septuagint Psalm 96:6 (Psalm 97:6 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

92 **Psalms 103:19** The Lord has prepared his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. (Septuagint Psalm 102:19 (Psalm 103:19 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

93 **Psalms 113:4** The Lord is high above all the nations; his glory is above the heavens. (Septuagint Psalm 112:4 (Psalm 113:4 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

94 **Psalms 115:16** The heaven of heaven belongs to the Lord, but the earth he has given to the sons of men. (Septuagint Psalm 113:24 (Psalm 115:16 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

95 **Psalms 138:4** Let all the kings of the earth give thanks to you, O Lord, for they have heard all the words of your mouth. (Septuagint Psalm 137:4 (Psalm 138:4 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

96 **Psalms 145:13** Your kingdom is a kingdom of all the ages, and your lordship endures through all generations. The Lord is faithful in his words and holy in all his works. (Septuagint Psalm 144:13 (Psalm 145:13 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

97 **Psalms 148:11** kings of the earth and all peoples, rulers and all judges of the earth; **read ›**

98 **Proverbs 1:2** to know wisdom and instruction, and to perceive words of sound judgment, **read ›**

99 **Proverbs 1:4** so as to give shrewdness to the guileless, and to the young child discernment and insight. **read ›**

100 **Proverbs 2:10** For if wisdom comes into your mind, and discernment seems good to your soul, **read ›**

101 **Proverbs 8:12** I, wisdom, have made counsel and knowledge my dwelling, and I have called on insight. **read ›**

102 **Proverbs 8:13** The fear of the Lord hates unrighteousness, arrogance and pride and the ways of the wicked; and I hate the perverse ways of evil men. **read ›**

103 **Proverbs 12:15** The ways of fools are right in their own eyes, but a wise man listens to counsel. **read ›**

104 **Proverbs 14:34** Righteousness exalts a nation, but sins diminish tribes. **read ›**

105 **Proverbs 15:9** The ways of the ungodly man are an abomination to the Lord, but he loves those who pursue righteousness. **read ›**

106 **Proverbs 15:19** The ways of the idle are strewn with thorns, but those of the courageous are well trodden. **read ›**

107 **Ecclesiastes 2:18** And I hated all my labor at which I toil under the sun, because I leave it to the man who comes after me. **read ›**

108 **Ecclesiastes 5:9** And the advantage of the earth is over all; there is a king of a tilled field. (Septuagint Ecclesiastes 5:8 (Ecclesiastes 5:9 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

109 **Ecclesiastes 7:11** Wisdom is good with an inheritance, and an advantage to those who see the sun. **read ›**

110 **Ecclesiastes 7:16** Do not be very righteous, and do not be overly wise, lest you be astonished. **read ›**

111 **Song of Solomon 2:2** As a lily among thorns, so is my companion among the daughters. **read ›**

112 **Song of Solomon 2:13** The fig tree has put forth its unripe figs; the vines are in blossom, they have given a fragrance. Rise up, come, my companion, my beautiful one, my dove; yes, come. **read ›**

113 **Song of Solomon 2:15** Catch for us the little foxes that spoil the vineyards, and our vines are in blossom. **read ›**

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114 **Song of Solomon 3:4** Scarcely had I passed from them when I found him whom my soul has loved. I held him and did not let him go, until I brought him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her who conceived me. **read ›**

115 **Song of Solomon 3:5** I have charged you, O daughters of Jerusalem, by the powers and by the strengths of the field, that you not stir up or awaken love until it pleases. **read ›**

116 **Song of Solomon 3:7** Behold, Solomon's couch; sixty mighty men are all around it, of the mighty men of Israel. **read ›**

117 **Song of Solomon 5:9** What is your kinsman more than another kinsman, O beautiful one among women? What is your kinsman more than another kinsman, that you have so charged us? **read ›**

118 **Song of Solomon 6:2** My kinsman has gone down into his garden, to the bowls of spice, to shepherd in the gardens and to gather lilies. **read ›**

119 **Song of Solomon 7:11** Come, my kinsman, let us go out into the field; let us spend the night in the villages. (Septuagint Song of Solomon 7:12 (Song of Solomon 7:11 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

120 **Isaiah 15:3** Wrap yourselves in sackcloth in her squares, and lament on her rooftops and in her lanes; all of you, wail with weeping. **read ›**

121 **Isaiah 24:21** And God will bring his hand upon the adornment of heaven and upon the kings of the earth. **read ›**

122 **Isaiah 37:16** "O Lord of hosts, God of Israel, who sits upon the cherubim, you are God alone of every kingdom of the world; you made heaven and earth. **read ›**

123 **Isaiah 51:6** Lift up your eyes to heaven, and look at the earth beneath; for heaven was made firm like smoke, and the earth shall grow old like a garment, and those who dwell in it shall die in the same way; but my salvation shall be forever, and my righteousness shall never fail. **read ›**

124 **Isaiah 65:17** For the heaven will be new and the earth new, and they will never remember the former things, nor will those things ever come into their heart, **read ›**

125 **Jeremiah 2:2** And he said: Thus says the Lord: I remember the mercy of your youth, and the love of your marriage, in following the Holy One of Israel, says the Lord. **read ›**

126 **Jeremiah 2:8** The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" and those who held fast to the law did not know me; and the shepherds acted ungodly against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after what does not profit. **read ›**

127 **Jeremiah 2:10** For go over to the islands of Kittim and see, and send to Kedar and consider carefully, and see whether such things have happened: **read ›**

128 **Jeremiah 10:2** Thus says the Lord: Do not learn the ways of the nations, and do not fear the signs of heaven, for they fear them on their faces. **read ›**

129 **Jeremiah 16:14** Therefore behold, days are coming, says the Lord, when they shall no longer say, "The Lord lives, who brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt," **read ›**

130 **Jeremiah 19:7** And I will slaughter the counsel of Judah and the counsel of Jerusalem in this place, and I will strike them down by the sword before their enemies and by the hands of those who seek their lives; and I will give their corpses as food to the birds of heaven and to the wild beasts of the earth. **read ›**

131 **Jeremiah 23:1** Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of their pasture! **read ›**

132 **Jeremiah 23:8** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

133 **Jeremiah 32:8** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

134 **Jeremiah 32:12** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

135 **Jeremiah 36:11** Micaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, heard all the words of the Lord from the book. (Septuagint Jeremiah 43:11 (Jeremiah 36:11 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

136 **Jeremiah 36:29** and you shall say: Thus said the Lord: You have burned this scroll, saying, 'Why did you write on it, saying, "The king of Babylon shall surely come in and utterly destroy this land, and man and cattle shall fail from it"?' (Septuagint Jeremiah 43:29 (Jeremiah 36:29 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

137 **Jeremiah 44:7** And now thus said the Lord Almighty: Why are you doing great evils against your own souls, to cut off from you man and woman, infant and nursing child, from the midst of Judah, so that none of you is left, (Septuagint Jeremiah 51:7 (Jeremiah 44:7 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

138 **Jeremiah 46:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

139 **Jeremiah 46:8** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

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140 **Jeremiah 46:9** Mount the horses, make ready the chariots; go out, you warriors of the Ethiopians, and you Libyans armed with weapons; and go up, you Lydians, bend the bow. (Septuagint Jeremiah 26:9 (Jeremiah 46:9 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

141 **Jeremiah 46:10** And that day is a day of vengeance for the Lord our God, to take vengeance on his enemies; and the sword of the Lord will devour and be filled and be drunk with their blood; for there is a sacrifice to the Lord from the land of the north by the river Euphrates. (Septuagint Jeremiah 26:10 (Jeremiah 46:10 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

142 **Jeremiah 47:5** Baldness has come upon Gaza; Ashkelon has been cast away, and the remnant of the Anakim. (Septuagint Jeremiah 29:5 (Jeremiah 47:5 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

143 **Ezekiel 3:14** And the Spirit lifted me and took me up, and I went in the impulse of my spirit; and the hand of the Lord was mighty upon me. **read ›**

144 **Ezekiel 11:8** You fear the sword, and I will bring a sword upon you, says the Lord. **read ›**

145 **Ezekiel 20:6** in that day I took hold of them with my hand, to bring them out of the land of Egypt into the land that I had prepared for them, a land flowing with milk and honey—it is a honeycomb beyond every land. **read ›**

146 **Ezekiel 22:26** And her priests have set aside my law and profaned my sanctuary; they did not distinguish between holy and common, and they did not distinguish between the unclean and the clean, and they hid their eyes from my Sabbaths, and I was profaned in their midst. **read ›**

147 **Ezekiel 37:3** And he said to me, “Son of man, will these bones live?” And I said, “O Lord God, you know these things.” **read ›**

148 **Daniel 2:37** You, O king, are king of kings, to whom the God of heaven has given a kingdom strong and mighty and honored **read ›**

149 **Daniel 2:38** in every place where the sons of men dwell; the wild animals of the field and the birds of heaven and the fish of the sea he has given into your hand, and he has made you lord of them all. You are the head of gold. **read ›**

150 **Daniel 2:39** And after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to you, and a third kingdom, which is the bronze, which shall rule over all the earth; **read ›**

151 **Daniel 2:40** and a fourth kingdom, which shall be strong as iron; just as iron crushes and subdues all things, so it shall crush and subdue all things. **read ›**

152 **Daniel 2:44** And in the days of those kings the God of heaven shall set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, and his kingdom shall not be left to another people. It shall crush and winnow all the kingdoms, and it shall stand forever, **read ›**

153 **Daniel 4:3** how great and mighty they are. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his authority is to generation and generation. **read ›**

154 **Daniel 6:26** This decree has been issued from my presence in every dominion of my kingdom: that men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel; for he is the living God, and he endures forever, and his kingdom shall not be destroyed, and his dominion endures to the end. (Septuagint Daniel 6:27 (Daniel 6:26 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

155 **Daniel 7:14** And to him was given the dominion and the honor and the kingdom, and all the peoples, tribes, and tongues shall serve him; his authority is an everlasting authority, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom shall not be destroyed. **read ›**

156 **Daniel 7:17** “These four beasts are four kingdoms that will arise on the earth, **read ›**

157 **Daniel 7:23** And he said, “The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will surpass all the kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth, and trample it down and cut it to pieces. **read ›**

158 **Daniel 7:24** And its ten horns are ten kings who will arise; and after them another will arise, who will surpass all who were before him in evils, and he will humble three kings. **read ›**

159 **Daniel 7:27** And the kingdom and the authority and the majesty of the kings under the whole heaven were given to the saints of the Most High; and his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions will serve and obey him.” **read ›**

160 **Daniel 8:15** When I, Daniel, had seen the vision and was seeking understanding, behold, there stood before me one with the appearance of a man. **read ›**

161 **Daniel 8:16** And I heard a man’s voice in the midst of the Oubal, and he called and said, “Gabriel, make that man understand the vision.” **read ›**

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162 **Daniel 11:31** And seeds from him shall arise, and they shall profane the sanctuary of might, and remove the continual offering, and set up an abomination made desolate. **read ›**

163 **Hosea 5:8** Blow the trumpet on the hills, sound aloud on the heights, proclaim in the house of On: Benjamin is amazed. **read ›**

164 **Hosea 8:2** They will cry out to me, “O God, we have known you.” **read ›**

165 **Amos 1:1** The words of Amos, which came in Accarim in Tekoa, which he saw concerning Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah king of Judah and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake. **read ›**

166 **Amos 3:8** A lion will roar, and who will not fear? The Lord God has spoken, and who will not prophesy? **read ›**

167 **Amos 3:9** Proclaim it to the regions among the Assyrians, and to the regions of Egypt, and say, “Gather yourselves on the mountain of Samaria, and see the many marvels in her midst, and the oppression that is in her.” **read ›**

168 **Amos 5:5** But do not seek Bethel, and do not go into Gilgal, and do not cross over to the Well of the Oath; for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Bethel shall be as though it were not. **read ›**

169 **Amos 6:1** Woe to those who treat Zion with contempt, and to those who trust in the mountain of Samaria! They have harvested the first of the nations, and they themselves have gone in. **read ›**

170 **Amos 6:4** who sleep on beds of ivory, and live in luxury on their couches, and eat young goats from the flocks and calves still nursing from the midst of the herds, **read ›**

171 **Habakkuk 2:10** You have devised shame for your house; you have made an end of many peoples, and your soul has sinned. **read ›**

172 **Malachi 3:6** For I am the Lord your God, and I have not changed; **read ›**

173 **1 Esdras 1:24** The things concerning him have been recorded in former times, concerning those who sinned and acted ungodly toward the Lord beyond every nation and kingdom, and the things by which they grieved him; and the words of the Lord rose up against Israel. **read ›**

174 **1 Esdras 2:3** “Thus says the king of the Persians, Cyrus: The Lord of Israel, the Lord Most High, has appointed me king of the inhabited world, **read ›**

175 **1 Esdras 2:27** and its men carrying out rebellions and wars in it, and that mighty and harsh kings were in Jerusalem, ruling over and collecting tribute from Coelesyria and Phoenicia. **read ›**

176 **1 Esdras 3:19** it makes the mind of the king and of the orphan one mind, of the household slave and of the free man, of the poor and of the rich; **read ›**

177 **1 Esdras 4:3** But the king is stronger still; he is lord over them and master over them, and whatever he tells them, they obey. **read ›**

178 **1 Esdras 4:28** And now do you not believe me? Is not the king great in his authority? Do not all lands fear to touch him? **read ›**

179 **1 Esdras 6:33** Therefore may the Lord, whose name is called upon there, destroy every king and nation that stretches out his hand to hinder or to harm that house of the Lord in Jerusalem. **read ›**

180 **1 Esdras 8:21** let all things be carried out diligently according to the law of God for the Most High God, so that wrath may not come upon the kingdom of the king and his sons. **read ›**

181 **1 Esdras 9:9** and do his will, and separate yourselves from the nations of the land and from the foreign wives.” **read ›**

182 **Tobit 12:7** It is good to hide a king’s secret, but to reveal the works of God gloriously. Do good, and evil will not find you. **read ›**

183 **Judith 2:5** “Thus says the great king, the lord of all the earth: Behold, you shall go out from my presence and take with you men who trust in their strength, a hundred and twenty thousand foot soldiers, and a multitude of horses with their riders, a hundred and twenty thousand; **read ›**

184 **Judith 6:4** For we will burn them up with them, and their mountains shall be drunk with their blood, and their plains shall be filled with their dead; and the soles of their feet shall not stand against us, but they shall perish with destruction, says King Nebuchadnezzar, the lord of all the earth; for he has said that the words of his speech shall not be in vain. **read ›**

185 **Judith 6:19** “O Lord God of heaven, look down on their arrogance, and have mercy on the humiliation of our race, and look upon the face of those who are sanctified to you this day.” **read ›**

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186 **Judith 11:7** For as Nebuchadnezzar king of all the earth lives, and as his power lives, who has sent you to set every living soul in order: not only do men serve him because of you, but also the wild beasts of the field and the cattle and the birds of heaven shall live through your strength under Nebuchadnezzar and all his house. **read ›**

187 **Wisdom of Solomon 5:5** How has he been counted among the sons of God, and how is his lot among the holy ones? **read ›**

188 **Wisdom of Solomon 6:1** Listen, then, O kings, and understand; learn, you judges of the ends of the earth. **read ›**

189 **Wisdom of Solomon 6:4** Because, though you were servants of his kingdom, you did not judge rightly, nor keep the law, nor walk according to the purpose of God, **read ›**

190 **Wisdom of Solomon 6:20** so the desire for wisdom leads up to a kingdom. **read ›**

191 **Wisdom of Solomon 6:21** If, then, you delight in thrones and scepters, O tyrants of the peoples, honor wisdom, that you may reign forever. **read ›**

192 **Wisdom of Solomon 14:9** For equally hateful to God are the ungodly man and his ungodliness. **read ›**

193 **Wisdom of Solomon 14:16** Then, strengthened in time, the ungodly custom was kept as a law, and by the commands of tyrants carved images were worshiped. **read ›**

194 **Wisdom of Solomon 18:24** For on his full-length robe was the whole world, and the glories of the fathers were engraved on the four rows of stones, and your majesty was on the diadem upon his head. **read ›**

195 **Wisdom of Sirach 7:4** Do not seek from the Lord a position of leadership, nor from the king a seat of glory. **read ›**

196 **Wisdom of Sirach 10:4** Authority over the earth is in the hand of the Lord, and at the right time he will raise up over it one who is useful. **read ›**

197 **Wisdom of Sirach 10:8** Kingship passes from nation to nation because of unrighteousness and arrogance and money. **read ›**

198 **Wisdom of Sirach 10:16** The Lord has overthrown the lands of the nations, and destroyed them to the foundations of the earth. **read ›**

199 **Wisdom of Sirach 11:14** Good things and bad, life and death, poverty and wealth, are from the Lord. **read ›**

200 **Wisdom of Sirach 17:32** He watches over the power of the height of heaven, and all men are earth and ashes. **read ›**

201 **Wisdom of Sirach 36:14** Fill Zion, that it may praise your oracles highly, and fill your people with your glory. (Septuagint Wisdom of Sirach 36:19 (Wisdom of Sirach 36:14 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

202 **Wisdom of Sirach 43:9** the beauty of heaven, the glory of the stars, an ornament giving light in the highest places of the Lord. **read ›**

203 **Wisdom of Sirach 46:3** Who before him stood as he did? For the Lord himself brought the enemies to him. **read ›**

204 **Baruch 3:16** Where are the rulers of the nations, and those who ruled over the beasts on the earth, **read ›**

205 **Baruch 5:3** For God will show your splendor to every land under heaven. **read ›**

206 **Letter of Jeremiah 1:40** How then is anyone to think or to say that they are gods, when even the Chaldeans themselves dishonor them? **read ›**

207 **Letter of Jeremiah 1:51** it will be plain to all the nations and the kings that they are not gods, but works of men's hands, and that there is no work of God in them. **read ›**

208 **Letter of Jeremiah 1:56** And they will certainly not withstand a king or enemies. How then can it be accepted or thought that they are gods? **read ›**

209 **Letter of Jeremiah 1:59** So it is better to be a king who shows his own courage, or a useful vessel in a house which its owner will use, than the false gods; or even a door in a house, keeping safe what is in it, than the false gods; or a wooden pillar in a palace, than the false gods. **read ›**

210 **1 Maccabees 1:2** He waged many wars, seized many strongholds, and slaughtered the kings of the earth. **read ›**

211 **1 Maccabees 1:44** And the king sent letters by the hand of messengers to Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, to follow laws foreign to the land, **read ›**

212 **1 Maccabees 2:10** What nation has not inherited her kingdom and seized her spoils? **read ›**

213 **1 Maccabees 3:60** But whatever the will in heaven may be, that he will do." **read ›**

214 **1 Maccabees 8:12** but with their friends and those who relied on them they kept friendship, and they conquered kingdoms near and far, and all who heard their name were afraid of them; **read ›**

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215 **1 Maccabees 8:13** and those whom they wish to help and to make kings become kings, and those whom they wish, they depose; and they have been greatly exalted; **read ›**

216 **1 Maccabees 12:15** for we have help from heaven to help us, and we have been delivered from our enemies, and our enemies have been humbled. **read ›**

217 **1 Maccabees 15:9** When we have gained control of our kingdom, we will glorify you and your nation and the temple with great glory, so that your glory will be made plain in all the earth." **read ›**

218 **1 Maccabees 15:19** So it has pleased us to write to the kings and the countries that they should not seek the harm of the Jews, nor make war on them or their cities or their country, nor make an alliance with those who make war on them. **read ›**

219 **1 Maccabees 15:34** Now that we have the opportunity, we are holding firmly to the inheritance of our fathers. **read ›**

220 **2 Maccabees 3:34** And you, having been flogged by him, report the mighty power of God to all." And when they had said this, they vanished. **read ›**

221 **2 Maccabees 3:39** For he who has his dwelling in heaven is himself the watcher and helper of that place, and he strikes and destroys those who come to do it harm." **read ›**

222 **2 Maccabees 7:11** and said nobly, "I received these from heaven, and for the sake of his laws I disregard them, and from him I hope to receive them back again." **read ›**

223 **2 Maccabees 7:16** But he looked at the king and said, "Because you have authority among men, though you are mortal, you do what you please. But do not think that our race has been forsaken by God. **read ›**

224 **2 Maccabees 9:20** If you and your children are well and your own affairs are as you wish, I give the greatest thanks to God, having my hope in heaven. **read ›**

225 **2 Maccabees 11:23** Now that our father has passed on to the gods, we wish the subjects of the kingdom to be free from disturbance and to attend to their own affairs. **read ›**

226 **2 Maccabees 15:5** the other said, "And I too am a sovereign on earth, who command you to take up arms and to carry out the king's business." Nevertheless he did not succeed in carrying out his cruel purpose. **read ›**

227 **3 Maccabees 2:2** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

228 **3 Maccabees 2:13** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

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251 **1 Enoch 58:2** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
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271 **1 Enoch 84:2** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
272 **1 Enoch 91:16** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
273 **1 Enoch 93:12** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
274 **1 Enoch 101:1** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
275 **1 Enoch 101:8** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
276 **1 Enoch 104:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**
277 **Matthew 4:8** Again, the devil took him to an exceedingly high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. **read ›**
278 **Matthew 5:3** “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **read ›**
279 **Matthew 5:10** Blessed are those who have been persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **read ›**
280 **Matthew 5:35** nor by the earth, for it is the footstool of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. **read ›**
281 **Matthew 6:10** Let your kingdom come. Let your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. **read ›**
282 **Matthew 6:33** But seek first God’s kingdom and his righteousness; and all these things will be given to you as well. **read ›**
283 **Matthew 11:12** From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. **read ›**
284 **Matthew 12:26** If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? **read ›**
285 **Matthew 12:28** But if I by the Spirit of God cast out demons, then God’s kingdom has come upon you. **read ›**
286 **Matthew 13:38** the field is the world, the good seeds are the children of the kingdom, and the darnel weeds are the children of the evil one. **read ›**
287 **Matthew 13:47** “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some fish of every kind, **read ›**
288 **Matthew 18:23** Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his slaves. **read ›**
289 **Matthew 20:25** But Jesus summoned them, and said, “You know that the rulers of the nations lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. **read ›**

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290 **Matthew 21:43** “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and will be given to a nation producing its fruit. **read ›**

291 **Matthew 22:2** “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king, who made a wedding feast for his son, **read ›**

292 **Matthew 22:44** ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet”’? **read ›**

293 **Matthew 24:7** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there will be famines, plagues, and earthquakes in various places. **read ›**

294 **Matthew 24:14** This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end shall come. **read ›**

295 **Matthew 25:14** “For it is like a man going into another country, who called his own slaves and entrusted his goods to them. **read ›**

296 **Mark 3:24** If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. **read ›**

297 **Mark 4:26** He said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should cast seed on the earth, **read ›**

298 **Mark 4:30** He said, “To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? Or with what parable shall we illustrate it? **read ›**

299 **Mark 13:8** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines and troubles. These things are the beginnings of birth pains. **read ›**

300 **Mark 13:27** Then he shall send out his angels and gather his chosen ones from the four winds, from the farthest part of the earth to the farthest part of heaven. **read ›**

301 **Luke 4:5** The devil, leading him up on a high mountain, showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. **read ›**

302 **Luke 10:20** Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” **read ›**

303 **Luke 11:18** If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. **read ›**

304 **Luke 11:20** But if I cast out demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. **read ›**

305 **Luke 12:31** But seek God’s kingdom, and all these things will be added to you. **read ›**

306 **Luke 13:18** He said, “What is God’s kingdom like? To what shall I compare it? **read ›**

307 **Luke 13:20** Again he said, “To what shall I compare God’s kingdom? **read ›**

308 **Luke 13:29** They will come from the east, west, north, and south, and will sit down in God’s kingdom. **read ›**

309 **Luke 14:31** Or what king, as he goes to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? **read ›**

310 **Luke 16:16** The law and the prophets were until John. From that time the gospel of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it. **read ›**

311 **Luke 17:20** Being asked by the Pharisees when God’s kingdom would come, he answered them, “God’s kingdom does not come with observation; **read ›**

312 **Luke 17:21** neither will they say, ‘Look, here!’ or, ‘Look, there!’ for behold, God’s kingdom is within you.” **read ›**

313 **Luke 19:11** As they heard these things, he went on and told a parable, because he was near Jerusalem, and they supposed that God’s kingdom would be revealed immediately. **read ›**

314 **Luke 20:25** He said to them, “Then give to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” **read ›**

315 **Luke 20:43** until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet.”’ **read ›**

316 **Luke 21:10** Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. **read ›**

317 **Luke 21:31** Even so you also, when you see these things happening, know that God’s kingdom is near. **read ›**

318 **John 3:31** “He who comes from above is above all. He who is from the earth belongs to the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all. **read ›**

319 **John 8:23** He said to them, “You are from beneath. I am from above. You are of this world. I am not of this world. **read ›**

320 **John 12:31** Now is the judgment of this world. Now the prince of this world will be cast out. **read ›**

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321 **John 15:19** If you were of the world, the world would love its own. But because you are not of the world, since I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. **read ›**

322 **John 16:11** about judgment, because the prince of this world has been judged. **read ›**

323 **John 18:36** Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, then my servants would fight, that I would not be delivered to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here.” **read ›**

324 **Acts 2:35** until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet.’ **read ›**

325 **Acts 4:24** When they heard this, they raised their voice to God with one accord and said, “O Master, you are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea and all that is in them, **read ›**

326 **Acts 4:25** who said through the mouth of your servant David, ‘Why did the nations rage, and the peoples plot vain things? **read ›**

327 **Acts 4:26** The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers gathered together, against the Lord and against his Christ.’ **read ›**

328 **Acts 5:39** But if it is from God, you cannot overthrow it—lest you even be found fighting against God.” **read ›**

329 **Acts 7:49** Heaven is my throne, and the earth is the footstool of my feet. What kind of house will you build for me? says the Lord. Or what is my resting place? **read ›**

330 **Romans 13:1** Let every soul be in subjection to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from God, and those who exist are ordained by God. **read ›**

331 **Romans 13:3** For rulers are not a terror to good works but to evil works. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do good, and you will have praise from it, **read ›**

332 **Romans 14:17** for God’s kingdom is not eating and drinking, but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. **read ›**

333 **1 Corinthians 4:20** For the kingdom of God is not in speech, but in power. **read ›**

334 **1 Corinthians 6:10** nor the covetous, nor thieves, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. **read ›**

335 **1 Corinthians 8:5** For even if there are those called gods, whether in heaven or on earth—as there are many gods and many lords— **read ›**

336 **1 Corinthians 10:26** for the earth is the Lord’s, and its fullness. **read ›**

337 **1 Corinthians 15:24** Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when he abolishes all rule and all authority and power. **read ›**

338 **1 Corinthians 15:47** The first man is of the earth, made of dust. The second man is the Lord from heaven. **read ›**

339 **Ephesians 2:6** and raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, **read ›**

340 **Ephesians 2:19** So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, **read ›**

341 **Ephesians 3:6** that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and fellow partakers of his promise in Christ through the gospel, **read ›**

342 **Ephesians 6:12** For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world’s rulers of the darkness of this age, and against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. **read ›**

343 **Philippians 3:20** For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, **read ›**

344 **Colossians 1:5** because of the hope which is laid up for you in the heavens, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel **read ›**

345 **Colossians 3:1** If then you were raised together with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God. **read ›**

346 **Colossians 3:2** Set your mind on the things that are above, not on the things that are on the earth. **read ›**

347 **1 Timothy 2:2** for kings and all who are in high places, that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and reverence. **read ›**

348 **Hebrews 1:10** And, “In the beginning you, O Lord, laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of your hands. **read ›**

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349 **Hebrews 10:34** For you both had compassion on me in my chains and joyfully accepted the plundering of your possessions, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and an enduring one in the heavens. **read ›**

350 **Hebrews 11:16** But now they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed of them, to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. **read ›**

351 **Hebrews 12:14** Follow after peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no man will see the Lord, **read ›**

352 **Hebrews 12:23** to a festal gathering and church of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of righteous people made perfect, **read ›**

353 **Hebrews 12:26** whose voice then shook the earth; but now he has promised, saying, “Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also the heaven.” **read ›**

354 **Hebrews 13:14** For we do not have here an enduring city, but we seek that which is to come. **read ›**

355 **James 4:4** You adulterers and adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. **read ›**

356 **1 Peter 1:4** to an incorruptible and undefiled inheritance that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, **read ›**

357 **1 Peter 2:13** Therefore subject yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord’s sake: whether to the king, as supreme, **read ›**

358 **1 Peter 2:17** Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king. **read ›**

359 **1 Peter 3:22** who is at the right hand of God, having gone into heaven, angels and authorities and powers being made subject to him. **read ›**

360 **2 Peter 2:11** whereas angels, though greater in might and power, do not bring a slanderous judgment against them before the Lord. **read ›**

361 **2 Peter 3:13** But, according to his promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. **read ›**

362 **1 John 4:5** They are of the world. Therefore they speak of the world, and the world hears them. **read ›**

363 **Revelation 1:6** and he made us to be a kingdom, priests to his God and Father—to him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. **read ›**

364 **Revelation 4:10** the twenty-four elders shall fall down before him who sits on the throne, worship him who lives forever and ever, and throw their crowns before the throne, saying, **read ›**

365 **Revelation 5:10** and made them kings and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.” **read ›**

366 **Revelation 6:15** The kings of the earth, the princes, the commanding officers, the rich, the strong, and every slave and free person, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains. **read ›**

367 **Revelation 11:15** The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and great voices in heaven followed, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ. He will reign forever and ever!” **read ›**

368 **Revelation 11:16** The twenty-four elders, who sit on their thrones before God’s throne, fell on their faces and worshiped God, **read ›**

369 **Revelation 11:18** The nations were angry, and your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, to give the reward to your slaves the prophets and to the saints and those who fear your name, small and great, and to destroy those who destroy the earth.” **read ›**

370 **Revelation 12:12** Therefore rejoice, heavens, and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and to the sea, because the devil has gone down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has but a short time.” **read ›**

371 **Revelation 16:14** for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole inhabited earth, to gather them together for the war of that great day of God the Almighty. **read ›**

372 **Revelation 16:18** There were lightnings, sounds, and thunders; and there was a great earthquake such as has not happened since there were men on the earth—so great an earthquake and so mighty. **read ›**

373 **Revelation 17:2** with whom the kings of the earth committed sexual immorality. Those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her sexual immorality.” **read ›**

374 **Revelation 17:10** They are seven kings. Five have fallen, the one is, and the other has not yet come. When he comes, he must continue a little while. **read ›**

375 **Revelation 17:12** The ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. **read ›**

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376 **Revelation 17:14** These will war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with him are called, chosen, and faithful." **read ›**

377 **Revelation 17:18** The woman whom you saw is the great city which reigns over the kings of the earth." **read ›**

378 **Revelation 18:3** For all the nations have fallen through the wine of the wrath of her sexual immorality, the kings of the earth committed sexual immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from the power of her luxury." **read ›**

379 **Revelation 18:9** The kings of the earth who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her shall weep and wail for her when they see the smoke of her burning, **read ›**

380 **Revelation 19:16** On his garment and on his thigh he has a name written: "King of kings and Lord of lords." **read ›**

381 **Revelation 19:19** I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him who sat on the horse and against his army. **read ›**

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