
A Precious Kingdom, A Precious King

Matthew 13:44-46

What is it that makes this kingdom so valuable, so precious?

It's not the subjects; it's the KING!

The King

1. This King is King of all kings, Ruler of all rulers, Lord of all lords.
 - “All authority” belongs to Jesus (Matt. 28:18), which puts Him “**far above** all principality and power and might and dominion...” (Eph. 1:20–21).
 - His kingdom “cannot be shaken” (Heb. 12:28); “shall never be destroyed” (Daniel 2:44).
 - Has the power to squash any threat to His kingdom (Rev. 11:15; 17:14; 19:15–16).
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The King

2. Despite the absolute authority He possesses, He is still a servant of His people.
 - Served us by dying for us (Matt. 20:25–28).
 - And continues to serve us...
 - As High Priest—Heb. 4:14–16; 7:25.
 - As Shepherd—Psa. 23; John 10:27; 1 Pet. 2:25; 5:4; Rev. 7:17.
 - No one cares for His subjects like Jesus.
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3. This king will never lead us astray, because He rules with justice and righteousness, mercy and truth.
 - “Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; mercy and truth go before Your face” (Psa. 89:14).
 - “I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; a King shall reign and prosper, and execute judgment and righteousness in the earth” (Jer. 23:5).
 - None of his policies or laws will ever fail us; and they’re beneficial to all.
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4. This King shares His wealth with His subjects—
unlike other kings, who often live in splendor while
their subjects live in poverty.
 - Became poor so we could be rich (2 Cor. 8:9).
 - Vast storehouse of wisdom and knowledge (Col. 2:2–3),
redemption, forgiveness of sins (Eph. 1:8–9); joy,
peace, and contentment found nowhere else
(John 14:27; 16:20–22; Phil. 4:10–13).
 - Eternal joy (John 14:2–3; 1 Thess. 4:17–18; 2 Pet. 3:13)
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The King

5. This King offers the same blessings and benefits to all, regardless of gender, nationality, social status, etc.
- Gal. 3:28; Col. 3:11.
 - No one gets the crumbs or the leftovers; no one is treated as a second class citizen.
 - Jesus “is rich to ALL who call upon Him” (Rom. 10:13).
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How great it is to be in His kingdom!

“Assuredly, I say to you, among those born of women there has not risen one greater than John the Baptist; **but** he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he”

(Matthew 11:11)
