

Contrasting Kingdoms

(Miles Munroe)

This is what we are to
preach

**And this gospel of the kingdom will be
preached in all the world as a witness
to all the nations, and then the end
will come.**

Matthew 24:14 (NKJV)

The Kingdom has Arrived

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for **the kingdom of heaven has come near.**”

Matthew 4:17 (NRSV, OJB)

Repent

Jesus started preaching. He picked up where John left off: “Change your life. God’s kingdom is here.**”**

Matthew 4:17 (MSG)

Repent

- **Face the opposite direction**
- **Reverse your thinking**
- **The opposite to what you've been taught**
- **It doesn't mean feeling sorry**

God's Original Plan

Establish:

- **A family of sons – not slaves**
- **A family of sons – not servants**
- **A commonwealth of citizens – not Christians**
- **Relationship – not religion**

Sons, not servants

And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever.

John 8:35 (NKJV)

The Truth Sets Us Free

- **Truth is knowledge**
- **A knowledge of the truth sets us free**

Our Genesis Job Description

- **Dominion**
- **Sonship**
- **Not worship, prayer & meetings**

'Dominion' Means:

- **Govern**
- **Control**
- **Lead**
- **Master**
- **Rule**
- **Subdue**

Our Dominion Mandate

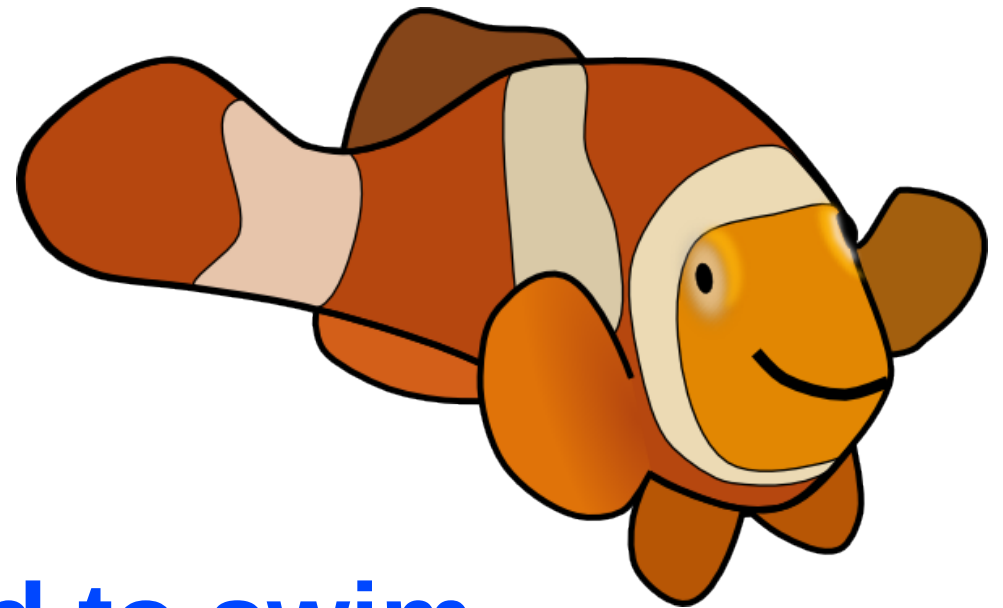
- **Holy Spirit doesn't overrule this**
- **He invites us**
- **He prompts us**
- **He convicts us**

Flight By Design



Birds were designed to fly

Swimming By Design



Fish were designed to swim



Rulership By Design

**We were
designed to rule**

Genesis 1:26

**This is our
experience
every day**

Sons

**To operate as a son you need
knowledge and the mindset of a
son of the Kingdom**

Spiritual Kingdom

The Kingdom is the rulership of ruling sons over the assigned territory.

The Kingdom is not the territory.

The Earth is our Domain

Psalm 115:16 restates this

The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's; But the earth He has given to the children of men.

The Earth is our Domain

**This is why
we're coming
back**

**Heaven is not
our home**



We take the Kingdom With Us

Everywhere we go

Darkness

‘Ignorance’ (Hebrew)

‘Absence of knowledge’ (Greek)

The Kingdom of Darkness

Rules by ignorance

whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

2 Corinthians 4:4 (NKJV)

Satan's Tactic

The Fall occurred when Satan challenged what they knew

Satan's power is what you don't know

Salvation v Conversion

Salvation is instantaneous

Conversion takes time – you have to convert the way you think to God's way

Renew Your Mind

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:2 (NKJV)

And do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes], so that you may **prove** [for yourselves] what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you].

Romans 12:2 (AMP)



Allow you to discern

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