

To Follow the King is Gaining Everything

There is a tendency to lament what we've given up when we choose to surrender and follow King Jesus. Unfortunately, that leaning comes from a misunderstanding of the Kingdom from the teaching we've received and from the desire of our 'base nature'¹ to chase after what we want.

The foundational supply principle of the Kingdom is that all our needs will be provided. Not all our wants or everything that others have, just all our needs.

However, as we grow in relationship and intimacy with Father, we find that he even gives us some of the desires of our heart. These can be the desires he's given us, but from my experience, they also include things we naturally desire, but which are not unrighteous.

We don't give up everything and become destitute to become suitable applicants for Kingdom admission. We are admitted by our faith and confession, and the benefits of the Kingdom are immediately made available to us. That's what a perfect father does for his sons.

Our mind needs to be centred on the Trinity so our needs can be supplied, rather than focusing on what we have lost in the transition to the Kingdom.

The Kingdom is actually the best place to be and the best source of what life requires – that's in every area, not just goods. Father made that point very clear recently:

*"You are an heir of the Kingdom. All my promises to you will come to pass. Glory, ever-increasing glory, will surround you, as you walk in kingdom reality. **To follow me is not merely leaving everything; it is gaining everything.** Set your gaze on me. Come into my sacred chamber, where every sacrifice becomes sweeter than honey and every loss invites more of me. **Move forward without fear, and I will be your great reward!** It is more than a choice; it is courage that must fill your heart as you look upon the horizon with faith."*²

The "great reward" he's talking about is here and now, not a promise for the time after our death.

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