

Please discuss Mat 6:10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

When will the kingdom come?

Obviously, it was not present when Jesus gave his Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7 as they still looked for it in Acts 1:6 So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”

So it was not present when Jesus left the earth.

Other verses indicate the kingdom was not present during Jesus' earthly ministry.

Luk 11:2 And he said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

Mar 9:1 And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."

Mat 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Mat 13:10-11 Then the disciples came and said to him, “Why do you speak to them in parables?”
(11) And he answered them, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given.

There are two major errors being taught about the kingdom of Jesus.

1. The kingdom came in AD 70
2. The kingdom will be a physical kingdom on earth where Jesus will return and reign from Jerusalem for 1000 years.

Both of these concern themselves with the question of when will (or did) Jesus return.

Mat 24:1-3 Jesus left the temple and was going away, when his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. (2) But he answered them, “You see all these, do you not? [a prophecy]

Truly, I say to you, there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

(3) As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, (question 1 concerning the prophecy) “Tell us, when will these things be, and (question 3 concerning the prophecy) what will be the sign of your coming and (question 4 unrelated to the prophecy) of the end of the age?”

Matthew's record is clarified as Luke records this with two questions and 3 answers.

Lk 21:6-8 "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

(7) And they asked him, (question 1 about the prophecy of Mt 24.3) "Teacher, when will these things be, and (question 2 concerning the prophecy) what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?"

1. when will these things be (the temple be destroyed)
2. Luke 21:7 what {will be} the sign when these things are about to take place?
3. what {will be} the sign of Your coming (Christ's)
4. what will be the sign of the end of the age?

1. When will these things be? What things? Mt 24:1-2

The answer Mt 24:5-14 The destruction of
Jerusalem and the end of the Jewish world! AD 70

Mat 24:15-28 “So when you see the abomination of
desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in
the holy place (let the reader understand), (16) then let
those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. (17) Let
the one who is on the housetop not go down to take
what is in his house, (18) and let the one who is in the
field not turn back to take his cloak.

War by the Romans v. 6 (the end of the Jewish age
is not yet)

The famine was so bad in Jerusalem, mothers ate
their children (Josephus)

Christians were hated, e.g., Nero burning Rome
Acts 8:1-4 (Disciples not to worry about answer Mk
13:11)

2. What sign will there be of these things? The destruction of the temple Mt 24:15-28

v. 15 Abomination of desolation = encirclement of Jerusalem (Lk 21:20)

v. 16-17 hasten to depart so that you can escape the city. No one will perish (Lk 21:18)

v. 21 1,100,000 perished, 97,000 captured, 30,000 young men crucified around Jerusalem,

v.28 The corpse is Jerusalem and the vultures the Romans

3. What shall be the sign when all of these things shall be fulfilled? Mt 24:29-35

Similar language in Isa 13:10 for fall of Babylon – from v. 33 and v. 42-44 it cannot be the end of time. 1Th 5:2

v. 34 Thus the signs that the prophecy about the destruction of the temple is complete within the lifetimes of those to whom Jesus speaks.

4. What will be the sign of your coming Mt 24:36-51

Mat 24:36-37 "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. (37) As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

No one knows but God Act 17:31 For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."

The time to this judgment allows men to think it
will not occur

2Pe 3:9-10 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his
promise as some count slowness, but is patient
toward you, not wishing that any should perish,
but that all should reach repentance. (10) But the
day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the
heavens will pass away with a roar, and the
heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved,
and the earth and the works that are done on it
will be exposed.

Mat 24:39-42 and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. (40) Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. (41) Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. (42) Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Cannot be destruction of Jerusalem since signs of its destruction already given – so no sign will be given.

Mat 24:50 the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know 51 and will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

What is it that drives men to look for a kingdom on earth?

It brings crowds as Tim LaHaye's Left Behind Series has now sold over 80 million copies by 2016.

There is unquestionably a desire in the world to know about the "end times."



From the internet -- The signs have appeared! The fall of Damascus, etc! Repent now, or suffer forever! Jesus will come again [to set up his eternal kingdom]! God bless you all! Amen.

Hos 6:1 “Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. 2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.

The internet tells us that the two days are 2000 years and in the third millenium (that’s now), Jesus will return to set up His kingdom. Most likely by 2030.

When these false teachers ask what are the signs of the end times, they look at common occurrences

2Ti 3:1-7 But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. (2) For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, (3) heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, (4) treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, (5) having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people. (6) For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, (7) always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth.

This song was written in 1943 - Troublesome times
are here

Filling men's hearts with fear Freedom we all hold
dear Now is at stake

Humbling your hearts to God Saves from the
chastening rod

Seek the way pilgrims trod Christians awake
Jesus is coming soon

Morning or night or noon many will meet their
doom Trumpets will sound

And all of the dead shall rise Righteous meet in the
skies

I'm going where no one dies Heavenward bound

Mat 24:6-8 And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. (7) For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. (8) All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

Luk 21:26 people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

The Internet tells us Nuclear weapons will fulfill the prophecy of Rev 16:2-4 So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth, and harmful and painful sores came upon the people who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. (3) The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became like the blood of a corpse, and every living thing died that was in the sea. (4) The third angel poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they became blood.

The internet preachers tell us that Iran and North Korea both have nuclear weapons which can fulfill the devastation foretold in Luk 21:25-27 “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, (26) people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. (27) And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

Other internet preachers tells us the great war for the kingdom is coming.

Zec 12:3 On that day I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples. All who lift it will surely hurt themselves. And all the nations of the earth will gather against it.

One preacher gave “50 Reasons we are in the end times.”

Remember – there are numerous passages that tell us we should not look for an earthly kingdom.

Joh 18:36 Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.”

Luk 17:20 Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, “The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed,

Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven,
saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the
kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ
have come, for the accuser of our brothers has
been thrown down, who accuses them day and
night before our God.

2Pe 3:9-10 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. (10) But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

Heb 9:27 And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,

Are you ready for His coming?

No man knows nor will any sign be given.

Act 22:16 And now what are you waiting for?
Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away,
calling on his name.'