3. <u>His subjects -</u>

John 18:36 "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place."

Mark 1:15 he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

Matt 4:17 From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Matt 25:34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.

Gal 5:21 those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God

1 cor 6:9 do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God?

Matt 16:19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will $be^{[a]}$ bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will $be^{[b]}$ loosed in heaven."

Matt 5:3 poor in spirit and the persecuted - for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

John 3:3,5 Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again. Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.

Matt 5:20For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

4. His Influence, Ideals, and policies –

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you

Bless those whose curse you

Rom 14:17 the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,

Matt 6:33 seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness

Matt 6:10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

1 cor 4:20For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

Outcomes and Principles of God's Kingdom:

- 1. Love
- 2. Joy
- 3. Peace
- 4. Purpose (meaning, belonging, destiny)
- 5. Power (over sin, death, fear)
- 6. Sanity (making sense of life, struggle, & suffering by renewing your mind)
- 7. Protection and Provision

Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. Ephesians 2:19

THE Kingdom of GOD!

This term is mentioned almost 400 times

"The Church" mentioned 1/3 as much

Are we building our own kingdom?

- <u>The King</u> creator, sustainer, immortal, deity, with no beginning and no end
- <u>His Domain</u> limited to a house? A plot of land? every family, every government, every nation, every continent, every planet, star, galaxy
- His Subjects only those who he calls and they answer. No pretenders...

Citizenship requires repentance

- <u>His influence</u> throughout all time, past prehistoric, world history, present time globally, foretold future as he unveils it all. His <u>ideals</u> are not of this world.
 - a. Don't treat others the way they treat you
 - b. Don't do what is popular
 - c. Don't limit choices to the here and now

1. THE King -

Rev 11:15 "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever."

John 18:36 Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world.

Ephesians 1:20–21 ... that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

 $Rev \ 19{:}16$ - On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

<mark>2. <u>His Domain –</u></mark>

Acts 1:6Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

Ps 103:19 The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

Dan 7:14-27 Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over... His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him.'

to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.