

**GENERAL SUBJECT:  
LIVING IN THE KINGDOM OF THE SON OF GOD'S LOVE**

Message One

**The Kingdom of the Son of God's Love**

Scripture Reading: Col. 1:13; 1 Pet. 2:9; 1 John 1:5; 5:11-12; 4:8, 16; Col. 1:9; 4:12

**I. The Father has “delivered us out of the authority of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love”—Col. 1:13:**

- A. God has delivered us out of Satan's authority of darkness into God's marvelous light—1 Pet. 2:9:
  - 1. The authority of darkness denotes the authority of Satan—Matt. 12:26.
  - 2. Darkness is Satan as death; light is God as life—1 John 1:5-6.
  - 3. To be delivered out of the authority of darkness is to be delivered from the devil, who has the might of death—Heb. 2:14; John 17:15.
  - 4. We have been delivered from the devil, Satan, by the death of Christ and by the life of Christ in resurrection—Col. 2:14-15; John 5:24.
- B. God has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love—Col. 1:13:
  - 1. The kingdom of the Son is the authority of Christ—Rev. 11:15; 12:10.
  - 2. The Son of God is the embodiment and expression of the divine life; therefore, the kingdom of the Son is a realm of life—1 John 5:11-12:
    - a. To be transferred into the kingdom of the Son of the Father's love is to be transferred into the Son, who is life to us—Col. 4:4.
    - b. The Son in resurrection is now the life-giving Spirit, and He rules us in His resurrection life with His love—1 Pet. 1:3; Rom. 6:3-4; 1 Cor. 15:45b.
    - c. When we live by the Son as our life in resurrection, we are living in His kingdom, enjoying Him in the Father's love—John 6:57.
  - 3. The fact that we have been transferred into the kingdom of the Son of God's love indicates that this realm of life is in love, not in fear—Col. 1:13:
    - a. The kingdom in which we find ourselves today is a realm full of life, light, and love—1 John 1:1-2; 5, 7; 4:8, 16.
    - b. The Son as the object of the divine love becomes to us the embodiment of the divine life in the divine love with the authority of resurrection; this is the kingdom of the Son of God's love.
    - c. The Father has transferred us into a realm where we are ruled in love with life:
      - (1) Here, under the heavenly ruling and restriction, we have genuine freedom in love, with life, and under light—Matt. 7:13-14.
      - (2) Here in this kingdom we enjoy Christ and have the church life—Col. 1:12; 4:15-16.

**II. In the kingdom of the Son of God's love, the will of God is carried out—Col. 1:9; 4:12:**

- A. God is a God of purpose, having a will of His own pleasure, and He created all things for His will that He might accomplish and fulfill His purpose—Rev. 4:11; Eph. 3:9-11.
- B. The Father's eternal will is to build up the church upon Christ the Son as the rock—Matt. 16:18; Eph. 2:21-22; 4:16.
- C. The will of God is to obtain a Body for Christ to be His fullness, His expression—Rom. 12:2, 5; Eph. 1:5, 9, 11, 22-23.
- D. The kingdom is absolutely a matter of God's will and completely fulfills His will; in fact, the kingdom is God's will—Matt. 6:10.
- E. As the kingdom people, those who are living in the kingdom of the Son of God's love, we are here on earth to do the Father's will—Matt. 7:21; 12:50.