



17 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.





INTRODUCTION





To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.



2021 IS OUR YEAR OF KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT





³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.





In those days there was no king in Israel. **Everyone did what was right** in his own eyes.



Jeremiah 23:5 (ESV)

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when <u>I will raise up</u> <u>for David a righteous Branch</u>, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.





COMPLETELYACCEPT

THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF JESUS CHRIST



Isaiah 64:6 (ESV)

We have all become like one who is unclean, and <u>all our righteous</u> <u>deeds are like a polluted garment</u>. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.



2 Corinthians 5:21 (ESV)

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.



1 Corinthians 1:30 (ESV)

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption,





HUNGER & THRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT



Matthew 5:6 (ESV)

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.



2 Timothy 2:22 (ESV)

So <u>flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness</u>, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.





But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.





STRIVE TO LIVE

IN RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH THE GRACE OF GOD



Hebrews 10:26-27 (ESV)

For **if we go on sinning deliberately** after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, 27 but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.



Titus 2:11–13 (NKJV)

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should **live soberly, righteously, and godly** in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,



1 John 1:9 (ESV)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.





CONCLUSION



Jeremiah 23:6 (ESV)

In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'



Isaiah 61:10 (ESV)

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has **covered me with the robe of righteousness**, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.



