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up? Daniel 2:44.

21. By what was this prefigured in the vision? Verses 34, 35.

22. Has any such great event yet occurred? No. There is a kingdom of grace and a kingdom of glory. We are in the kingdom of grace, but the kingdom of glory is not yet set up, for “flesh and blood cannot inherit It.” 1 Corinthians 15:50. God’s people are now only heirs of that kingdom. James 2:5. Jesus gives a parable to correct the view that it was set up in his day. Luke 19:11,12. It will be set up at his second coming. 2 Timothy 4:1.

23. When it is established, how long will it continue? Daniel 2:44.

24. What is indicated by the words, “The kingdom shall not be left to other people.” That the subjects of that kingdom will be immortal.

25. Can there be any doubt in regard to the fulfillment of this prophecy? Daniel 2:45.

RECAPITULATION. We see from this prophecy that the four universal kingdoms of earth were to be followed by the everlasting kingdom of God. From history, we learn that there have been four universal kingdoms, - Babylon, Medo-Persia, Grecia, and Rome. We have passed all these way marks, and are now living, not in the kingdom represented by the head of gold, as was Daniel, but in the days of those kings represented by the feet and toes of the image.

26. Then what will the next great event in this world’s history be? The destruction of all earthly governments, to make room for the everlasting kingdom of God. Verse 44.

27. What must we do in order to gain an entrance into that kingdom? 2 Peter 1:2 -11.

The saints of the Most High shall take the kingdom.” “This gospel of the kingdom” was the theme of Christ and his apostles. “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand,” was the burden of their preaching. How much more should it now be ours, as the signs indicate the kingdom near. With the penitent thief let us pray, “Lord Jesus, remember me when thou comes in thy kingdom.”

The Kingdom of Christ

1. FOR what purpose did God make the earth? Isaiah 45:18.

2. Did the Lord design that the wicked should inhabit the earth? Proverbs 10:30.

3. To whom did the Lord give the earth? Psalm 115:16.

4. To what man did God especially promise the earth? Genesis 13:14, 15.

5. This promise includes the whole earth. Romans 4:13.

6. Did the Lord fulfil his promise to Abraham before his death? Acts 7:2-5.

7. Did his children receive the fulfillment of, this promise? Hebrews 11:13.

8. For what did Abraham look? Hebrews 11:10.

9. Christ was the seed spoken of in the promise to Abraham. Galatians 3:16.

10. Who are included among the children of Abraham Galatians 3:29.

11. Then are not all Christians interested in this promise made to Abraham?

12. If those to whom these promises were made died without having received them, how will God keep his promise to them? Ezekiel 37:12-14.

13. What has God promised to do with the earth, before giving it to his people? Isaiah 65:17.

14. For what did the early Christians look? 2 Peter 3:13.

15. Seeing we look for such things, what kind of persons ought we to be? Verses 11, 14.

16. John, the beloved disciple, was shown the new heavens and the new earth. Revelation 21:1.

17. Isaiah gives a description of the beauties of the new earth. Isaiah 35.

18. What besides the new heaven and new earth did he see? Revelation 21:2.

19. This is the capital city of Christ’s kingdom. Revelation 22:3.

20. What is the size of this city? Revelation 21:15, 16.

Dividing twelve thousand furlongs by eight, -the number of furlongs in one mile -we learn that the city measured fifteen hundred miles, or three hundred and seventy-five miles on each side. The custom of measuring cities in Bible times was to measure all around them; for example the city of Babylon was said to be sixty miles in measurement; it was actually fifteen miles on each side, sixty miles in circumference.

21. What description is given of the walls and gates of the city? Verses 10-14.

22. Of what was the wall made? Verses 18-20.

23. Of what were the gates made? Verse 21.

24. What is said of the light of the city? Verse 23.

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25. Does it say there was no sun or moon, or that the city had no need of them?
26. Will there be a sun and a moon in the new earth? Isaiah 30:26.
27. What will God do for those to whom he gives the new earth? Revelation 21:4.
28. Will there be regular seasons of worship in the new earth? Isaiah 66:22,23.
29. Who will have a part in the new earth? Revelation 21:7, 27; Matthew 5:5.
30. Who does Jesus himself say may enter this city? Revelation 22:12-17.