



And this gospel of the **kingdom**
will be *preached* in all the **world**.
MATTHEW 24:14

Your Environment is Subject to Change

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Summary

God is the author of science. We are so caught up in the natural realm with just what we see. In the spiritual realm there is so much more going on. Our character is so important. Character allows us to experience God the way He wants us to. It is a good character that allows us to endure. It is character that's required to take our faith to its conclusion to experience the manifestation. There is always a story to the glory. There is a process to it. It is the job of the devil to bring the tests, trials and storms. He comes to take away from you the things God has promised. He puts things consistently in your way along the process: sickness, tiredness, strife in relationships, lack, confusion, etc. All those things are put there to hinder you from receiving the promise. The Bible says it is those through faith and patience who inherit the promise. When the trial comes, what comes out of us first? Is it fear or uncertainty? If it is, we're not going to be able to go through the process. We have not been designed to be affected by our environment. That is how most of us live. We respond to what our environment looks like. We focus too much on the natural. The Bible says that natural things are temporal but spiritual things are eternal. Natural people, natural pressures and natural circumstances come in to affect you from being a certain way. We don't know why these things take place in our lives. They are only taking place to take your glory! When we don't know what's happening in the spiritual, we start reacting to the natural circumstances. The Bible says that we do not war against flesh and blood. Our battle is spiritual. You can't fight a successful spiritual battle without a good character. The world that we live in has spiritual laws and physical laws. God created them all. Everything we see is made of atoms. An atom is energy. From a scientific place nothing is as real as it seems to the naked eye; there is something more going on. We need to have an idea of our natural environment knowing that our reality or our environment is subject to change. God didn't intend for us to be subject to the world. The world is subject to us! He gave us dominion over the works of His hands! Our world or our environment is a mirror of who we are on the inside. The Bible says "as a man thinks in his heart, so is he." Nothing can manifest itself on the outside unless it's manifest on the inside. Our environment should not dictate our actions. The promises of God should dictate our actions. You have to renew your mind with the Word of God. It begins to make the real you; it changes you on the inside. Then everything becomes subject to you. Jesus didn't just come to show us a way to become, He came to show us who we are! We need to change the way we interact with our environment so that we can experience the promises. Our environment is subject to us! It cannot hold us back!

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- A. God is Light and Energy
 - a. Energy is not energy unless it's moving.
 - i. Scientifically everything is moving.
 - b. God is the author of science.
 - c. Sin brought us into such a lower realm.
 - d. God can speed us up to see.

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- i. We are so caught up in the natural with just what we see.
 - ii. In the spiritual realm, there is so much more going on. We get so focused on the natural realm that we limit ourselves from seeing the spiritual realm.
 - e. The Word of God is spiritual. When it touches our spirit by penetrating our hearts, things begin to take place in our lives. It begins to lead our emotions, our natural lives, our flesh, and our bodies. Then we can experience the supernatural presence and power of God in our lives.
- B. Character is Important
 - a. Character allows us to experience God the way He wants us to.
 - i. Patience and endurance develop character.
 - ii. We don't experience God like we need to because we don't have the character that we need to. We need to be people of good character.
 - iii. Character that allows us to endure. When a person has a strong character, integrity comes out of a good character.
 - b. A person's character is a deep part of a person; it's who you are. No matter what you go through, the character of a person stands out; whether it be good or bad.
 - c. Character does develop with the Word of God.
 - d. Integrity is even when no one is around, you do the right thing. As children of God we lack character.
 - e. It's like a circle: We need to have patience and endurance to have a good character and when you have a good character you have patience and endurance.
 - f. Its character that's required to take our faith to its conclusion to experience the manifestation.
 - i. You need strong character to go through the fire.
 - ii. From where the promise is, to the fulfillment of the promise, there's fire, water, tests and trials. It requires a good character to go through it and come out the other side.
 - iii. There is always a story to the glory. There is a process to it. You must be prepared to go through the process to receive the promises that God has for you. God is revealing to us the correct process in order to receive the promise.
- C. It Is the Job of the Devil to Bring the Trials, Test and Storms
 - a. John 10:10 says the thief comes to steal, kill and destroy. He comes to take away from you the things God has promised.
 - b. He is not physical and has no authority so he can't physically come and steal from you.
 - i. What he does is he puts things in your way. He puts things consistently in your way along the process; the sickness, tiredness, the strife in relationships, the lack, and the confusion.
 - ii. All those things are put there to hinder you from receiving the promise.
 - c. We've thought that all we've had to do is have faith. Faith alone doesn't work.
 - i. The Bible says it is those through faith and patience who inherit the promise.
- D. When the Fire Comes, What Comes Out of Us First?
 - a. Is it fear? If it is, you're not going to be able to go through the process.
 - b. If it's uncertainty, if you start waiver, it's like the children of Israel. They didn't mix their hearing with faith.
 - c. We need to employ and live a life full of character.
- E. The Job of the Devil is to Pressure Us to Lose Endurance
 - a. Mark 4 – The parable of the sower.

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- i. The sower is God but we also sow seed.
 - ii. The seed is the Word of God.
 - iii. The sower sows seed into ground, which is our hearts.
 - iv. It is sown into various types of ground.
 - v. One of the poor types of ground is when trials and afflictions comes for the sake of the Word and we are easily offended.
 - vi. That is not good character. The environment around us affects how we feel.
- F. We Have Never Been Designed to be Affected by Our Environment
- a. That is how most of us live. We respond to what our environment looks like.
 - i. Our environment is everything that is around us.
 - ii. The closest affect around us is the people that we live with. Spouse, children, parents, etc.
 - iii. We lose character because of the people around us because they have defined us.
- G. Natural Things Are Temporal But Spiritual Things Are Eternal
- a. We tend to focus on the natural.
 - i. For far too long our focus is on natural things.
 - ii. Natural people, natural pressures, natural circumstances. Everything comes in to affect you from being a certain way. We don't know why these things take place in our lives.
 - b. Nothing in itself is sanctified and set apart.
 - i. We have been given the responsibility of sanctifying and redeeming everything in our environment.
 - c. When you don't know why your husband or wife or pastor or children are acting up, when financial pressures come, when you don't know why these things are taking place, you're going to act up to.
 - i. They are only taking place to take your glory. It's only about what God has promised you!
 - ii. God has promised you something; you can see it from afar off; like Abraham.
 - iii. God is saying that's what His will is for you. But we are on the other side of the promise.
 - iv. The children of Israel didn't understand what the wilderness was all about. They didn't understand that the enemy was putting pressure on so that they would not cross the Jordan and receive their promise! They started moaning and complaining. They didn't have the character required to take them over to the Promised Land. We have the same process today.
- H. When We Don't Know What's Happening in the Spirit, We Start Reacting to the Natural Circumstances
- a. It takes you off the materialization of your promise.
 - b. We are not fighting flesh and blood. We are fighting spiritual things taking place. Our warfare is spiritual.
 - c. You can't fight a successful spiritual battle without a good character. Your bad character will take you into natural fights. It will make you give up.
 - d. Most people lose hope right before they receive their promise. The children of Israel, most of them died in the wilderness. They lost character. We get so tired we would rather just sit and do nothing.
- I. The World That We Live In Has Laws; Physical and Spiritual
- a. How you approach the law determines if you are a success or a failure; if you have a wrong or right relationship with the law. (Example: law of gravity)
 - i. The law of gravity comes from God; just like the law of faith.
 - ii. Satan didn't build the world; spiritually and naturally. He didn't make the laws.

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- b. As Christians we only want to be spiritual. God is a very scientific God. Everything He made is governed by science.
- J. Everything We See is Made of Atoms
- a. An atom is energy.
 - b. From a scientific place nothing is as real as it seems to the naked eye; there is something more going on.
 - c. Energy is never solid.
 - d. We need to have an idea of our natural environment knowing that anything (our reality) is subject to change.
 - i. Our experiences are subject to change, even from a scientific place.
 - ii. When we know that's how God designed it, then we can be confident in God to change our reality. Knowing it can be changed.
 - e. We can change our reality; our environment.
 - i. The Bible is full of examples of things that happened outside of natural laws: fire from the sky.
 - ii. The natural laws have been given by God and we need to take hold of them, through God, and allow God to change them.
- K. God Never Made Us For the World; He Made the World For Us
- a. He didn't intend for us to be subject to the world.
 - b. When God designed the world, He designed it for us; with us in mind.
 - c. God is not going to make something for us that we cannot control.
 - i. That's the whole idea of dominion. He gave us dominion over the works of His hands.
 - d. The laws have been made for us.
 - i. The relationship that we have with them is knowing that they are subject to us.
 - ii. What we can't see, we can't have a relationship with.
 - e. The environment can never make you sick, or hold your money back if YOU are in control of it.
 - f. To the mountain: If you believe in your heart, you will say with your mouth to the mountain be plucked up and cast into the sea it will be done for you.
 - i. The mountain will obey you! The mountain is subject to you!
 - ii. Your environment that stands up against you is subject to you!
 - g. You have to know in your heart that what's in you is the manifestation of the promise.
 - i. That's faith – it's the substance of things hoped for you.
 - h. You have to live and allow the promise of God to be real on the inside; it's the real you. Then your environment will change.
 - i. Eph. 3:20 says "according to the power that works within you".
 - ii. Not just because He's God, but because of a power that's working within us; who is changing us on the inside.
 - iii. When we change on the inside, our world will reflect us. If you have no hope on the inside, your mirror; your world will be hopeless.
- L. Our World Is A Mirror of Who We Are On The Inside
- a. A man can never be sick on the outside if he isn't sick on the inside first.
 - b. The Bible says "as a man thinks in his heart, so is he."
 - i. No one is poor on the outside until their poor on the inside. Same for relationships.
 - ii. Nothing can manifest itself on the outside unless it's manifest on the inside.

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- c. Your world is just a mirror. It's a mirror of who you are on the inside.
 - d. We've thought our world is separate from us. Your world around you is not supposed to govern you.
 - e. What your world looks like on the outside is a reflection of what you look like on the inside.
 - i. You have to change what's on the inside and the whole universe will change for you.
 - ii. If you know you deserve a promotion; because of revelation, you know God wants to increase you, when you know that on the inside, your boss can't help but give you a promotion.
 - iii. If it's your boss that is in control of your promotion then you are subject to the world. That's not what the Bible says.
 - f. The worst environment in the Old Testament was famine. Isaac sowed in a land of famine.
 - i. In the natural that doesn't make any sense. It would never work.
 - ii. His environment did not dictate his actions. The promise of God dictated his actions.
 - iii. In the same year he reaped one hundred fold.
 - iv. He controlled his environment. Isaac was different on the inside.
- M. We Need to See Differently
- a. We need to see that we are loved by God. He has a good plan for us.
 - b. He so loved the world that he gave. (John 3:16) Because of love.
 - c. You can't accept the love until it changes you on the inside first.
 - iii. Some of us have been so affected by our environment (our parents) that we can't accept love.
 - iv. We are a product of your upbringing.
 - v. The new birth experience was intended to release us from being that product.
 - vi. We are translated from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of light.
 - d. When you get saved, it's only just begun.
 - i. You have to renew your mind with the Word of God.
 - ii. It begins to make the real you. It changes you on the inside.
 - iii. Then everything becomes subject to you. That is what true Christianity is all about!
 - iv. We've thought in the past that when we get saved, we are subject to all this torture that this life has until Jesus takes us away one day.
- N. Jesus Didn't Just Come to Show Us A Way to Become, He Came to Show Us Who We Are
- a. He is the firstborn of many brethren.
 - b. He came to show us who we all are. All we have to do is receive Him.
 - c. We have the wrong perspective of Jesus. He's the mirror. You are destined to be conformed to the image of Christ.
 - d. There is more to salvation than we've experienced in the past.
- O. God Has A Plan and He Has Precious Promises
- a. We need to change the way we interact with our environment so that we can experiences the promises. Our environment is subject to us.
 - b. No matter where we live or where we come from, we can still be blessed.
 - c. Our environment cannot hold us back.
 - d. His Word is full of great and precious promises.
 - e. Change your relationship with your environment. It is subject to change.

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