Part 13 **MANIFESTATION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

**(The Presence of Jesus)**

**Matthew 3:1-3** ***“In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, Repent, because the kingdom of heaven has come near! For he is the one spoken of through the prophet Isaiah, who said:***

***A voice of one crying in the wilderness:***

***Prepare the way of the Lord;***

***Make His paths straight!”***

**Note:** When a kingdom is near, its king is also because the king is the kingdom. Jesus is king according to scriptures.

**Matthew 4:17** ***“From then on Jesus began to preach,***

***Repent, because THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN HAS COME NEAR.”***

**Note:** Wherever the king goes, the kingdom follows. We see the evidence of His kingdom in all He manifested. The signs He manifested in the book of St. John.

**First sign:** Turning water into wine

**Second sign:** Healing an official’s son

**Third sign:** Healing the sick

**Forth sign**: Feeding five thousand

**Fifth sign:** Walking on the water

**Sixth sign:** Healing a man born blind

These signs reveal the king and His kingdom has come near. Having been “born again” we were taken out of the kingdom of Satan and translated into the kingdom of God and His Son Jesus Christ.

1. We have the presence of Jesus and His kingdom within our hearts through the work of the Holy Spirit.
2. Jesus has set up His kingdom within our hearts.
3. Jesus is seated upon the throne of our hearts.
4. Remember the kingdom goes wherever the king goes.

**St. John 14:23** ***“Jesus answered, if anyone loves Me, he will keep my word. My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.”***

**Note:** The Holy Spirit brings the Father and the Son into our hearts so we know the One who saved us and who’s plan it was. Also, we have a revelation of where God is taking us.

**MANIFESTATIONS OF THE KINGDOM OF SATAN**

**(The Presence of Evil Spirits)**

**Mark 5:2** ***“As soon as He got out of the boat, a man with an unclean spirit came out of the tombs and met him.”***

**Mark 6:7a** ***“He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs and gave them authority over unclean spirits,”***

**Note:** The kingdom of Satan has demon spirits at work, attacking the saints, holding sinners in bondage, oppressing believers, sending out lying spirits to deceive, and false teachers preaching his message of deception.

These workers are to keep people in darkness. They cannot see where they are going. Blind leading the blind, both will fall in the ditch.