Kingdom - Summary



The New Testament affirms what God has said all along in the Hebrew Bible - God is the King. In the New Testament, we see that Yeshua (Jesus) picks up that same theme. It is a totally Jewish thing to declare and that is exactly what we see Him doing e.g. in <u>Matthew</u> <u>4:17</u>.

God's kingship is foundational to our biblical understanding and is central to Jewish prayer: Jewish blessings begin with mentioning God's kingship (see below). Understanding this can help us as we seek to draw Jewish people back to their Scriptures. We can explain that the Bible (the Hebrew Scriptures together with the New Testament) form the historical anchor and the future hope for both Jewish and Gentile people.

Here is a link to some common Jewish blessings which mention God as King. Each benediction begins *Baruch atah, Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha Olam* (Blessed Are You Lord, Our God, King of the Universe):

https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/brachot-blessings-before-eating Jewish virtual Library

Here is a Rabbi explaining how God is King in this world even through the simple thing of God creating food for people to enjoy: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X7ew7qc8jGU</u> Jewish Media TV

Kingdom - Resources

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Electronic Resources

A digital library including the Targums - <u>https://juchre.org/</u>

Dr Michael Brown's website - http://realmessiah.com/index.php/en/answers

Finding Jesus in the pages of the Jewish Scriptures - <u>https://jewsforjesus.org/jewish-</u> <u>resources/messianic-prophecy</u>

Parshah Portion list (with Gospels) - <u>https://torahportions.ffoz.org/torah-</u> portions/thisyear/

Talks by Dr Mike Brown - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TswbAOXDFyE

The Top 40 Messianic Prophecies - <u>https://jewsforjesus.org/learn/top-40-most-helpful-</u> <u>messianic-prophecies</u>

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