

Matthew 16:24-28 “Thy Kingdom Come”

*After this manner therefore pray ye: . . . Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. — Matt 5:10*

I. Jesus makes a play on words vv. 23-24

“Get thee behind me, Satan!” v. 23

“If anyone would get behind me” v. 24

Explained as “follow me,” with two components:

Deny yourself (*cf.* 10:32-33; 26:33-35, 69-75; II Tim 3:13)

Take up your cross (*cf.* 10:38-39) – death by crucifixion
Referring to Jesus – implied: 16:21; explicit: 20:19; 26:2
Referring to disciples – 23:34 (Andrew, Philip, Peter)

II. Participating in the Kingdom of God vv. 25-28

Saving and losing life vv. 25-26

The Son of Man in glory (universal sovereignty) Dan 7:13-14
(*See* Ps 110:1; Lk 22:69; Mk 16:19; Eph 1:19-23; Acts 7:55;
Rev 5:12. *See also* Mt 28:18)

Rewards of the soon-to-come kingdom vv. 27-28

According to his “doing.” v. 27 (who follow the criteria of v. 24)
Ps 62:12; Rom 2:5-6
(*See* Mt 19:28-30; *cf.* Lk 18:28-30; Phil 3:8-14. esp. v. 11)