

The Dream of God

The God of Heaven had a dream. Not a dream like we have when we sleep, but a vision, a goal, a plan. We talk about the "American Dream," or, we hear, "Dream big dreams."

God not only dreamed about a restored relationship with His creation, but that a holy nation, a people of God's possession (1 Pet 2:9) would be formed.

A. This dream was first presented in the Prophets

1. Isaiah 2:2-4

The mountain of the Lord would be established in the _____ (2)
It would be the _____ of the mountains (2)
_____ nations will stream to it (2)
The law would go forth from _____, God's word from _____ (3)
They would be _____ His ways (3)
They will _____ their ways (4)

2. Isaiah 11:1-10

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on _____ (2)
Characterized by w_____ (2), counsel (2), s_____ (2), r_____ (4)
P_____ and u_____ will prevail (6)
N_____ will change (7)
Fear will be a _____ (8)
Knowledge of the Lord will spread w_____ (9)

3. Daniel 2:36-45

In the days of the _____ kingdom (40,44)
God will set up a kingdom that will never be
d_____ (44)
God's kingdom will c_____ all other kingdoms (44)
God's kingdom will e_____ forever (44)

4. Matthew 13:31-32

Started very s_____ (32)
Became the l_____ plant (32)

B. The Dream being fulfilled (Acts 2:32-42)

This takes place during which empire?
This takes place in what city?



Characteristics of Acts 2

- They b_____ the f_____ about the Gospel (2:37)
- They o_____ the c_____ of God (2:38)
- They joined themselves together in worship and fellowship (42)



C. What God envisioned:

- B_____ thinking would override secular planning and corporate mentality
 - Decisions would be formed from _____ not man's _____
 - The fellowship of the saved would be a haven of s_____ and a _____
 - The kingdom of God would become a place where people were t_____ God's word, they were e_____ to walk in faith and they were w_____ about the dangers of the world
- The mission was to p_____ a righteous people for Heaven
 - The central piece would be the _____

John 18:36

How is God's kingdom different from the kingdoms of the world?

Mt 16:18

What did Jesus build?

