

Seek First the Kingdom of God

Matthew 6:33-But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. (KJV)

Seeking the Kingdom of God is the primary goal for believers following Baptism.

The journey from the Baptismal font to the Kingdom of God is life-long.

Seeking the Kingdom of God and eternal life are goals requiring constant attention.

Vigilance and discipline are necessary to travel the narrow path to the Kingdom.

Repentance and return are required when deviating from the path to the Kingdom.

Seeking first the Kingdom of God entails regularly renewing the commitment.

Mark 1:15-And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel. (KJV)

Being attentive to the time of life is involved in remaining on the narrow path.

Preparing for Jesus Christ's return and final judgment are everyday expectations.

Every person commits sins so repentance is needed throughout earthly life.

Believers loving God seek the Kingdom with their full hearts, minds and souls.

Complete love of God makes a difference in the effort put forth in life's journey.

The time of earthly life is precious, only coming once and is not repeated.

Luke 18:17-Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein. (KJV)

Little children have an innocence in believing that is instructive for adults.

The simplicity with which children see things is cause for great wonder.

Little children lack the corruption which eventually creeps into adult lives.

Becoming pure in heart as little children is a great challenge for adults.

Jesus Christ reminds believers to receive the Kingdom as a little child.

Constant self-evaluation helps believers to reassess their faith in the Lord.

John 3:5-Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. (KJV)

Baptism and Chrismation are life-changing experiences for every believer.

In Holy Baptism believers profess belief in and unite with the Lord Jesus Christ

Believers are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit at Holy Chrismation.

The Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation change the person's identity.

The journey to God's Kingdom is to continue in earnest throughout life.

Remaining united with Christ and focused on Christ leads to the Kingdom.

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