

The Kingdom of God

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Feast of Tabernacles Sermon

Brethren, I would like to begin today speaking about Daniel and what God revealed through Daniel a long time ago. God showed Daniel that a stone would come, and that stone would encompass the whole earth. God told Daniel that the meaning of what he saw was not for him; it would be for the latter days. And the latter days is where you and me find ourselves. We are at the end of an age. We are in those latter days that Daniel spoke about.

But God has sent one to explain what Daniel saw. Daniel saw a stone that would encompass the whole earth, and we now have at these latter days one that was sent by God as God's apostle to lead God's Church and prepare them for that stone that would come to this earth and do exactly what was revealed to Daniel. That stone will set up God's Kingdom upon this earth and it will eventually encompass the whole earth.

So, the subject today is about that Kingdom that will be set up upon this earth. So, the title today is about *The Kingdom of God*.

We are here at this Feast of Tabernacles, and we can see that we are on the verge of a new age coming. We are so blessed because we have been given so much as the Church of God, the one that is being prepared for that stone to come back to this earth and begin a new age.

We are being taught through God's apostle upon this earth in the latter days. We can see the end of an age and we can see that it is not very far away now. We are blessed to live at a time when the end-time events that are prophesied in this book will be fulfilled, the Kingdom of God, the good news that Joshua the Christ brought, taught about so many years ago when he was upon this earth.

He taught much to them about the Kingdom of God. So, let's begin today in the book of Ephesians, Ephesians 1:17, and let's begin today looking at the prayer that Paul gave for the spiritual enlightenment of the Church at Ephesus.

That's in **Ephesians 1:17**, and Paul prayed, **that the God of our Lord Joshua the Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know Him**. It's a unique way that Paul prayed this, and he said, **with the eyes of your heart...** So, what he's speaking about, the heart is pictured here as having eyes that can look toward the Great God of this universe and look to that Great God for understanding. That's what Paul was praying about.

Paul said, let's continue... **that you may know what is the hope to which He called you**. So, that is the reason. **...and what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints**. And we'll look at some of that today.

Paul is speaking about the spiritual mind that you and I have at this time, and we are here at this Feast of Tabernacles celebrating what God has allowed you and me to understand. We will look at the end of an age and what is coming upon this earth. God is revealing to us, His Church, at this Feast what is coming to this earth, and He is ready to establish the government of God upon this earth. We know that that is what God's Son will do. He will come to do that very thing, and that's what this Feast is about.

The foundation for this new age has been set, it has been laid, and it is now time for God to set up His government upon this earth, and you and me are given some warnings about how we are to live our life before our God. God tells us in 1 Corinthians 3:10. So, let's take some time and let's turn over; it's not far over.

1 Corinthians 3:10. He wrote, **But let each one take heed how they build upon it**, speaking about the foundation that is laid. God's building is just about complete. The walls are up, the roof is on, and it's just the finishing touches that we are waiting on, for those finishing touches to be finished.

Paul warned you and me to take heed upon how we build on that foundation so that you can become Elohim, so that you can be in God's Family. Paul tells us there is no other way except God's way. It's the only way that you and I can build upon the foundation. Paul said, **For no other reason can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is through Joshua the Christ.** There is no other way except through the Church of God at this time, the Church that is preparing for the Kingdom of God to come to this earth. That is where God is working and there is no other way that it can be done.

You and I are always to examine our lives and beware lest we fall short. We know this. And Paul is wanting you and me not to fall short, not to let down. So, there is an example that is given, and it says, **now if everyone builds upon this foundation with gold, silver, and precious stones...** So, Paul is going to tell us about things that will endure, such as gold, precious stones... the materials that will last. It's quality materials to build with. So, that's the example that Paul is giving.

We also understand that he gives us about the wood that will burn up quickly. It's materials. It's like building a building is what Paul is speaking about, and he used materials that will last. It says, **each one's work will be made clear; for the day will declare it because it will be revealed by fire.** So, a building that has used inferior materials will burn up quickly, brethren. So, that's why we need to be careful how we build upon this foundation.

And if anyone's work which he has built on endures, he will receive a reward. All of this that is written is examples for you and me, those of us in the latter days as part of the end time. And you and I understand because God has opened our minds to understand these things that are given to us through God's apostle at this end time.

We are on the threshold of God's Kingdom being here and we will see those that have endured and are now upon this earth in a spiritual Body. We will see those like Daniel and the apostles and many that God worked with through time.

But you and I are personally responsible before the Great God of this universe on how we build upon this foundation that has been laid through Joshua the Christ. God tells us that **the word of God is living, powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the divisions of soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and is a discerner (Hebrews 4:12)**, in other words, it's able to judge **of the thoughts and intents of our inner being**, our minds.

Nothing in the whole creation is hidden from God's sight. So, we can fool each other but there is no way we can fool the Great God of this universe. That's what this is saying. God sees everything, brethren, including how we stand in the eyes of God, and that is uncovered. You can't fool God. **...and it's laid bare before the eyes of Him whom we must give account.**

We must always remember that God has given to each one of us the ability to have that pearl of great price, that treasure that He tells about in this book. That should always be our focus.

With where we are in time, our focus should be always on the Kingdom of God, and at this time it's about how you and I live. What we are as the Church of God must do to enter that Kingdom that is soon coming, these are the examples and the things that we have to do to make sure our election is firm.

The Kingdom of God is upon our doorsteps, and the good news is that Joshua the Christ preached about it so long ago and it's almost here, that Kingdom that he preached about.

Let's turn over to Mark 1:14, and we will look at the beginning of what Joshua the Christ preached about. **Mark 1:14—After John was put in prison, Joshua came into Galilee preaching—let's notice—the good news of the Kingdom of God, and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand.** That's more true today than when he said these words, brethren. We are on the doorsteps of that Kingdom being here. And it says, **Repent, and believe the good news.** That's the meaning of the word "gospel."

Joshua the Christ went everywhere preaching the good news of the Kingdom of God that would come to this earth. He taught in parables about the Kingdom that would come, and we know that he sent out seventy men preaching. That's what he commanded them to do, to preach about the Kingdom of God. He sent the twelve disciples to preach that very thing. That is what is being spoken about through the sermons at this Feast of Tabernacles, the Kingdom of God that is coming to this earth. That's the same message that all of those of our past preached.

So, let's turn over to Acts 1 and let's look at an account. Acts 1:1. It's just over a bit. We know these scriptures by heart but it's good to go back through these scriptures.

Acts 1:1—The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Joshua began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he through the holy spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom he had chosen, to whom he also presented himself alive after his suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them for forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to—let's notice—the Kingdom of God. That's what he spoke to them about for forty days, brethren.

The Church at this time is to prepare for that Kingdom that Joshua spoke to them about for forty days. We are to prepare for the stone that Daniel saw when he was speaking with Nebuchadnezzar and revealing the dream. Daniel saw that stone that God revealed to him that would come and begin the Kingdom of God upon this earth.

So, let's turn over to the book of Daniel and let's look at what was revealed to Daniel by the Great God of this universe. Daniel 1:4, and let's look at some scriptures that tell us about what was revealed through Daniel. Daniel lived around six hundred years before Joshua the Christ, so let's look at what God revealed to him. We know these scriptures but let's go read and refresh our minds of the prophecies and some more prophecies that we'll look at in this sermon today. It's always inspiring to me, and I hope it is to you as well, to always go back and read about these prophecies that would take place at the end of an age.

Verse 4: Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, we understand that they were taken in the captivities, and we know the story that they were taken in the captivity by Nebuchadnezzar. And these four young men – brethren, they were so young when they were taken into captivity, but the king saw something, and they were placed in the palace of king Nebuchadnezzar, and they were placed in the government there, which was at the time the Babylonian government.

King Nebuchadnezzar recognized something about these young men. They were not like most teenagers. The king saw that these young men had integrity, and he saw that these young men were also very diligent, and they were trustworthy as well. We understand how they had those attributes. The king saw that they had these qualities along with knowledge and wisdom, which is very rare for most teenagers. In verse 17 we find, and we see that it was given to them by God. That's how they had these abilities. It was given to them in their minds by the Great God of this universe. The last part we find that Daniel had been given special understanding in visions and dreams.

Nebuchadnezzar was the very first world ruler upon this earth. But now, it is time for another world ruler to come to this earth, and that's what we're going to read about. Nebuchadnezzar had conquered much during his reign upon this earth, and he had captured the nation of Judah, and that's how Daniel and his friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came to be a part of his government. It was through captivity that it took place.

We know we've read about this dream that Nebuchadnezzar had so let's drop down to Daniel 2:1. It tells that the dream was so troubling to the king that he couldn't sleep. That's how much it disturbed him. So,

he called and demanded his magicians, his astrologers, sorcerers of that day, and he told them about that dream that he had, and he wanted them to explain the meaning of the dream.

In verse 10 the king was told that no man upon the earth was able to tell him the meaning of his dream. In verse 13 we find how serious it had become as the king was going to kill them, talking about his astrologers, including Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

Now, you and I have never lived under such circumstances as these young captives did live on, how they lived under that kind of power, so much power that they could lose their lives at just his word. The king could have anyone killed that he wished to.

So, Daniel and his friends knew they were about to die with the rest of the kings so-called wise men at that time. In verse 19 we find that God revealed a secret to Daniel, and let's notice verse 21, the last part which was revealed. Let's notice because it's very important because of where we are in time.

Daniel 2:21—God removes kings—and let's notice—God raises up kings. He will raise up 144,000 in just a short while to be kings upon this earth along with that stone that was revealed to Daniel. It will be done in just a short while now when God will raise them up.

Let's notice what else: **He gives wisdom to the wise and He gives knowledge to those who have understanding.** That's where it comes from. "Those who have understanding." It's us now that has understanding because of a prophet and an apostle that we have at the end of an age, and understanding is revealed through that apostle. That apostle is now leading the end-time Church upon this earth.

Let's notice how it's said: **He reveals deep and secret things.** It's to God's Church through His apostle that He reveals that to you and me today. That's how it's done, and it's how you know what you know today. Because the Great God of this universe has opened up your mind to see His plan, His plan for mankind.

Verse 28—Daniel was brought before the king and Daniel told the king that there is a God in heaven that reveals secrets and makes known to the king, Nebuchadnezzar. So, let's notice what is being said, **what will be in the latter days.**

We understand that this knowledge is for you and me at this time. God had this book written for those that He would work with through time, and it is us now, brethren. You and I are in the latter days. All we have to do is listen, and all we hear about is a WWII that is coming, a war so powerful that every living being upon this earth would be killed. That's the days, the latter days that you and I live in.

The whole purpose of the dream was to reveal the truth about the stone that is coming to set up the Kingdom of God and establish God's government upon this earth. That stone that Daniel saw is coming to this earth, and it is to happen in the latter days that you and I live in.

Verse 31 we find that this image was so disturbing that the king could not sleep, and it got his attention. He wanted to know the meaning, what the meaning was of all that he'd dreamed about. Verse 31 tells the story of what he saw so let's refresh our mind and read through these verses.

Daniel 2:31—You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor was excellent, stood before you; and its form was awesome. Its head was of fine gold, and its breast and arms of silver, and the belly and thighs were brass, its legs of solid iron, feet a mixture of iron clay. So, we know what this represents, and this paints you and me a picture down through time. We understand the meaning of the statue.

But Nebuchadnezzar had viewed the statue **until a stone came out of heaven and smashed the statue upon its feet and the statue broke into small pieces and was actually blown away by the wind.**

And let's notice what happened to the stone: **The stone became a great mountain, and it became so great that it filled the whole earth. This is the dream, said Daniel, and we will tell the interpretation to the king. You, O king, are a king of kings.** Let's notice how. **The God of heaven—let's notice—The God of heaven has given you a kingdom, He's giving you power, He's giving you strength, and glory.** So, God was revealing to this king. He was revealing something to him, that he wouldn't have anything unless God allowed it.

God said it was He, the Great God of this universe, that was allowing him to be the king upon this earth. God was revealing Himself to this king through Daniel as a powerful God with so much power that He can control who was in power and who was not in power. As we remember, he spent some time with the animals for a few years to understand just how powerful this God was. We know that God is still in charge to this day. Some of us that are alive when that stone comes back to this earth, we will see some awesome power from the Great God of this universe as He brings about His Kingdom to this earth.

Verse 38, the last part, it's a history lesson for you and me. **You are this head of gold. And after you will arise another kingdom inferior to you; and a third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.** So, what this is speaking about, its telling us about the Kingdoms that will come and go upon this earth, speaking about governments, speaking about the kind of kingdoms and governments that will be established that rule over the nations of this earth through time.

So, there is no misunderstanding what God gave to Daniel, and we understand this. It's about kingdoms and what will happen. And down in **verse 44**, it speaks about where we are in time. **And in the days of those kings**, speaking about the ten toes that represent those kings, and that's where we are in time, and it's part of the iron and part of the brittle clay because they have problems getting along with each other. That's the way that it will be at the end. It's referring to Europe and what is taking place now right before our very eyes.

Mr. Armstrong taught about this many, many years, but now we see it going together. You and I can see what is taking place on the world scene. And as far as this destruction that is coming, we can see it. We see it on the horizon. All we have to do is watch the world news.

Let's hold our place here and let's turn over to Revelation 17:12, and let's notice what's being said.

Revelation 17:12—The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet. But we're on the verge, brethren. They receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. Very short-lived. They are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. These will make war with the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them. So, let's notice what is said, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings. Those who are with him are called, chosen, and faithful.

The stone that Daniel spoke about will begin to encompass this earth along with the 144,000. So, now let's go back to Daniel 2:44. This makes plain that there will be a union at the end of an age that will come together for a very short period of time.

Daniel 2:44—And in the days of these kings, and in the days of these ten and ever how it goes together at the very end, the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed. ...It will break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it will stand forever. The God of heaven will set up a Kingdom that will never be destroyed, the Kingdom of God, brethren.

This is about what we are here celebrating at this Feast of Tabernacles. That's what the Feast is about. It's about a time when God begins to do this beginning with His Son, the stone that Daniel spoke about coming and setting up God's Kingdom upon this earth.

When Joshua comes, he is coming as King of kings, brethren, and Lord of lords, ruling the whole earth. The Kingdom of God is to consume all the kingdoms upon this earth just as Daniel showed us in God's book. That stone will encompass the whole earth, and it will be a world-ruling Kingdom, brethren, at that time. The stone that Daniel saw, we understand its meaning. It's about the time that we are here celebrating at this Feast of Tabernacles and it's the beginning of this taking place, encompassing the whole earth when that stone returns to this earth.

Revelation states it in these words when he comes, "the kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He will reign forever and ever." It's the end of the governments of this world that you and me know, and they will be encompassed by the Kingdom of God upon this earth.

Let's turn over to John 18 and let's look at something else that was said in God's book. John 18:37. We know these things, but it's good to go back through them. Joshua the Christ was born to be a King, and it is so inspiring to go back and read these scriptures about him that were written a long time ago when he stood before Pilate for his life and Pilate asked him a question.

Pilate asked him in [John 18:37] **Are you a king?** And let's notice Joshua's answer, **You say that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause I came into the world.** Joshua said to Pilate back up in **verse 36—My Kingdom is not of this age.** But his Kingdom is of the age that we are waiting for.

Joshua told Pilate that he was to become a king. It was not his time then, but it will be his time in just a short while. We know that he came as a Lamb the first time, but he's not coming back as a Lamb the next time. He's coming back as a Lion this time. So, let's turn over to Luke 1, and let's notice what was said a long time ago also. It's where the angel of God said to Mary what would take place.

No matter how many times we read through this I cannot wait for that stone to come and set up God's Kingdom upon this earth.

Luke 1:31, this is what he told Mary, **You will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son and will call his name Joshua.** This is so inspiring to read through this. It was so inspiring when Ron revealed that the true name, that it was Joshua, not Jesus. That separated us from everyone else on the earth, just that name change. **And he will be great and called the Son of the Highest. And the Lord God will give unto him—let's notice—the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever. And of his Kingdom, there will be no end.**

This was written a long time ago, but it's about time for this to take place upon the earth. These scriptures tell us that Joshua the Christ was born to be a king. These scriptures tell us about Joshua the Christ and 144,000 that will rule over the nations, the kingdoms of this earth in just a short while. That's what we are here celebrating, that time when that will take place. We are here celebrating the millennial reign of God's Son upon this earth for one thousand years, brethren. We know that there is more time, another hundred years.

Let's turn over to Luke 19, and it's where Christ explained to the disciples about what was to take place. This tells us that he, Joshua, is the nobleman of the parable that he gave to them. It's about when he went to the throne of God, and he called it a far country. He was to be coronated as a king over all nations and then he was to return to this earth.

So, let's look at **Luke 19:11—Now, as they heard these things he spoke a parable because he was near Jerusalem,** because they thought the Kingdom of God would appear immediately. That's what was in their minds at their time. So, he told a parable to them because they didn't understand that there would be more time before this would take place.

He told them that **A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. So, he called ten of his servants and delivered to them ten minas and said to them, Do business until I come.** Our business is to obey our God until he returns. **But his citizens hated him.** We've seen so many that do that very thing.

And they sent a delegation after him saying, We will not have this man to reign over us! There will be so many at the end of this age who will do this very thing. God had it written that there would be so many, and I have a hard time comprehending this, and I know I can't. And you can't either, that there will be so many that it will be as the sands of the sea. It's a lot, brethren. They will turn away from the Great God of this universe and give up what God has revealed to them. They will not have the Great God of this universe and His Son to rule over them.

Verse 15, let's notice the timeframe—**And so it was that when he returned, having received the kingdom, he then commanded these servants to whom he had given the money.** It's an example of what will take place. **...to be called on him that he might know how much everyone had gained by trading.** So, to you and me, that's the foundation that you and I build upon.

Then came the first saying, Master, your minas earned me ten minas. And he said to him, Well, done good servant. Because you were faithful in little, have authority over ten cities. And the second came, Master, your minas gained me five minas ... and You be over five cities. So, it's about how we build upon that foundation, brethren.

In **verse 20** came another, **Master, here is your mina, which I have kept put away in a handkerchief.** The last part, let's notice what was said to him, **And he said, Out of your mouth I will judge you, you wicked servant.** Because of what he did. **Why then didn't you put your money in the bank, that at my coming I might have collected it with interest?** It's the example that's being done.

Verse 24—He said to those who stood by, Take the minas from him and give it to him who has ten minas. But they said to him, Master, he has ten minas. For I say to you, that to everyone who has will be given, but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken from him.

Another translation, the Phillips Translation, says it this way, and I like the way this is written. **But it's for the man who has nothing, even his nothing will be taken away.** It's about the foundation and what was built upon that foundation, and here we find nothing. **And as for these enemies of mine—let's notice—who objected to my being king, bring them here and execute them in my presence.**

This is an example that is given for you and me. We know about a lake of fire at the end of the age, brethren, and these are scary words to read in God's book. You and I and everyone will have to give account on how we have handled what God has given to you and me. He has given so much. We have more understanding than any of God's people down through time.

We live at the end of an age when the most awesome events that will ever take place upon this earth will occur. God says there will never be a time like it – never again. Those events are what we are reading about today. When we look on the horizon of this present world turmoil, all the horrible things that are

taking place, all the killings that are taking place, the wars that could escalate at any time, we can see that it will not take much to spark WWII.

With all of the weapons of mass destruction that are out there, our world can change in a matter of minutes, brethren. Just a few minutes and it will be a different world that all of us will face. It will not take long to destroy every living thing upon this earth.

We live in those times. That is the latter days that you and me live in. And unless God intervened, there would be no living beings upon this earth. We live at that time when all human life could be destroyed just like that. The push of a button would start it.

That's when Joshua the Christ will return, that stone that Daniel spoke about. We are at this very brink, and this time he is coming as King of kings, like we just read, and he will gather up his servants of 144,000 that have been faithful to join him upon this earth.

Matthew 24:30 if you just want to note it. You don't have to turn there. It tells us that **The sign of the Son of man will appear in heaven and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn. And they will see the Son of man coming in the clouds.** They will see that stone coming **with power and great glory. He will send his angels with the sound of a Trumpet, and they will gather together all of His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.** God is sending His Son to come and save mankind. He is coming to stop the nuclear mass destruction that would take place, the annihilation of all life.

We can look and we are living in an unstable world, brethren. I remember Mr. Armstrong used to say so many times, "Except a strong hand from someplace would intervene, mankind would destroy himself." That's actually what will take place when Christ returns in just a little while; he will stop the annihilation of all human life. Not all of it, but some of it. God is sending him as a Lion this time and that pictures that strong hand that God is sending that Mr. Armstrong used to speak about.

Let's turn over to Acts 1:9 and let's notice what was written. It shows us how God will send that strong hand to this earth. **Acts 1:9—Now, when he had spoken these things, while they watched Christ was taken up and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked toward the heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel.** So, we know who they were. **Who also said, Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into the heavens? The same Joshua who was taken up from you into heaven will so come in like manner that you saw him go.**

Joshua the Christ ascended into heaven, in the clouds, and so he will return to earth in those clouds, and just as he is returning to earth, the dead in Christ will rise in a resurrection, made spirit, including like the ones we read about today – like Daniel and so many others that we know of that will be there that God names in His book. But Daniel told us about a time when that stone is coming to set up the Kingdom of God.

Those who have the spirit of God, the rest of the 144,000 at that time will be changed into spirit and meet Joshua the Christ in those clouds. They will come down out of those clouds and stand that day with him on the Mount of Olives, and it will be the beginning of a different world. Satan will be removed, and a new government will begin to rule this earth, just as Daniel was shown a long time ago. We know that Satan will be restrained for a thousand years.

So, let's turn over to Isaiah 2. We've heard this read at a lot of Feast of Tabernacles, but it explains a lot of what will take place. God's spirit will flow out upon mankind and a new day will be here, peace will begin, a new way of life will begin upon this earth. Some of you sitting here are called for that new age that will begin, a new way of being ruled over by a just government, a just King.

Isaiah 2:2—Now, it will come to pass in the latter days... The same as what Daniel said. These scriptures were given to you and me upon whom the end of the ages have come. We have an end-time prophet and an end-time apostle to explain the meaning of these words to you and me about that stone that is coming to rule this earth. We know that the Great God of this universe has always had a plan, brethren, to do what we are speaking about today, the Kingdom of God.

Isaiah 2:2—In the latter days, that same latter days that we saw in Daniel, **the latter days that the mountain of the Eternal's house,** speaking about those 144,000 that will be in that house, **and it will be established in the tops of the mountains.** We know that this is referring to governments. **And it will be exalted above the hills,** speaking about the nations, **and all nations will flow unto it.**

Many people will go and say, Come and let us go to the mountain of the Eternal, to the House of the God of Jacob, and He will teach us His ways and we will walk in His paths. And out of Zion will go forth the law, and the word of the Eternal from Jerusalem, the City of Peace.

Let's notice—**He will judge between the nations and rebuke many people, and they will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation anymore, neither will they learn war anymore.**

So, God's word speaks about a beautiful time when there will be no more wars, no more killings, brethren. It's a wonderful thing. World peace will become possible. God's law will go out from Jerusalem upon the whole earth, and that stone that was shown to Daniel a long time ago (that's the beginning), but it will engulf the whole earth.

We can't comprehend it. We can think about it, but I know we cannot fully comprehend what is going to take place at the end.

Let's turn over to Matthew 13 and let's finish up. Matthew 13. Joshua the Christ said what it was all worth if we endure to the end. He summed it up in **Matthew 13:44** and he said in a parable, the parable

of the hidden treasure, **The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field which a man found and hid, and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.** So, we can see it's worth everything and anything that you could acquire in this lifetime, brethren.

Verse 45—Again, another explanation, another example: **The Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, who when he found one pearl,** just one pearl... It says, "Beautiful pearls." This is speaking about **one pearl of great price went and sold all that he had.** He sold everything, brethren, all that he had. He saw how important it was to do such a thing.

So, for you and me that example is anything and everything that you and I could acquire in this lifetime. There is nothing under the sun worth what God is offering you and me. And let's notice, **And he bought it.** Hopefully... and I know everyone listening will not buy it. I know that. But he bought it.

So, this is how Joshua the Christ viewed it, and this is what he had written in this book, what it was worth. So, what is it worth to you to see the Kingdom of God, brethren? I can say this, all of us better take heed how we build upon it at this time, take heed how we build upon that foundation that there is no other way to build upon, brethren. It's just a short while before the Kingdom of God will be here upon this earth that we saw in this book that was taught by so many through time.

All I can say is it is worth anything and everything that you could acquire in this lifetime to be in that Kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

So, brethren, enjoy this Feast of Tabernacles that pictures the very thing that we've been speaking about today, that stone that came and struck the earth and will eventually encompass the whole earth.

So, enjoy this Feast of Tabernacles.