Citizens of God's Kingdom



Philippians 3:20-21

Citizens of heaven

- Phil 3:20-21 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ..
- Eph 2:19-20 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God..



Four things true of a kingdom..

- A king as leader..
- There are borders..
- Laws that govern behavior..
- There are benefits for citizens..

A Kingdom has a King...

- Same in God's kingdom .. 1 Tim 6:13-16
- Our God is a great king.. Malachi 1:14
- God expects to be honored.. 1 Sam 8:4-7

A Kingdom has borders...

- Identify who is inside..
- True of God's kingdom.. Mark 10:23-25
- Must follow procedure.. John 3:3-7
- Must enter through gates.. Rev 22:14-15

The Kingdom has laws...

- God has laws we must obey.. 1 Cor 6:9-10
- Laws are set by the King.. 1 John 2:3, 5:3
- There is enforcement of the laws.. 1 John 3:4

Great benefits in the Kingdom

- Unlimited forgiveness.. 1 John 1:7-10
- Direct relationship with King.. Heb 10:19-22
- Fellowship with citizens.. Acts 2:42
- Retirement plan.. 1 Pet 1:3-5
- Resurrection from death
- Eternal life...

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