

# Looking for the Kingdom of God

by Clement of Rome

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*Clement of Rome emphasizes the importance of living in love and righteousness while preparing for the coming of God's Kingdom through unity and good works.*

**Scripture:** Matthew 6:33, Galatians 3:28, Ephesians 4:25, James 2:14, 1 Peter 3:7

**Topics:** "Kingdom Living", "Christian Unity"

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## Description

Clement of Rome preaches about the importance of expecting the kingdom of God with love and righteousness, emphasizing the unity and truthfulness in relationships as a reflection of the kingdom's arrival. He highlights the unity of two individuals as one through speaking truth and having genuine unity of soul. Clement also stresses the importance of manifesting one's soul through good works, aligning inner beliefs with outward actions to reflect the kingdom. Lastly, he discusses the significance of seeing beyond gender roles and treating each other with purity and respect to usher in the kingdom of God.

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## Transcript

Let us expect, therefore, hour by hour, the kingdom of God in love and righteousness, since we know not the day of the appearing of God. For the Lord Himself, being asked by one when His kingdom would come, replied, When two shall be one, that which is without as that which is within, and the male with the female, neither male nor female. Now, two are one when we speak the truth one to another, and there is unfeignedly one soul in two bodies.

And that which is without as that which is within means this: He calls the soul that which is within, and the body that which is without. As, then, your body is visible to sight, so also let your soul be manifest by good works.

And the male, with the female, neither male nor female, this He says, that brother seeing sister may have no thought concerning her as female, and that she may have no thought concerning him as male. If you do these things, says He, the kingdom of my Father shall come.

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