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THE DEVELOPMENT OF GROWTH, TRANSFORMATION, AND BUILDING

Matthew is not a book of mere stories or doctrines; it is a book giving us a revelation of the kingdom. The kingdom is the wonderful Christ who has been sown into us and who grows in us, transforming us until we reach maturity. Eventually, the time of harvest will come, and that will be the full manifestation of the kingdom. We must see this. We need to look at the book of Matthew from a heavenly angle, not from the angle of stories, doctrines, and teachings. If we look at Matthew from a heavenly angle, we will see that it reveals the Lord Jesus as the seed of the kingdom, as the gradual growth of the kingdom, and as the full maturity of the kingdom. We must see Matthew from such a viewpoint. The New Testament reveals the Lord Jesus as the seed of the kingdom sown into people. When the seed grows within them, that is simply the growth of the kingdom. As He spreads within people, that is the spreading of the kingdom. One day He will be matured in so many who love Him. When the time of ripeness comes, that will be the time of harvest, the full manifestation of the kingdom

Scripture Readings:

Mat 16:28	Truly I say to you, There are some of those standing here who shall by no means taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.
Mar 9:1	And He said to them, Truly I say to you, there are some of those standing here who shall by no means taste death until they see the kingdom of God having come in power.
Mat 16:18-19	And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.
Rom 14:17-18	For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. For he who serves Christ in this is well pleasing to God and approved by men.
1Co 4:17	Because of this I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, even as I teach everywhere in every church.
1Co 4:20	For the kingdom of God is not in speech but in power.
1Co 3:2	I gave you milk to drink, not solid food, for you were not yet able to receive it. But neither yet now are you able,
1Co 3:6	I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth.
1Co 3:9-12	For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's cultivated land, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid a foundation, and another builds upon it. But let each man take heed how he builds upon it. For another foundation no one is able to lay besides that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. But if anyone builds upon the foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, grass, stubble,
1Co 3:16	Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Hymn (#1301)

1 Jesus the kingdom has come into us, Reigning and shining He's all glorious, Christ as the seed is the King who has come, Into our spirit His kingdom He's sown.

O let Him grow, O let Him grow; His kingdom life be all we know. Jesus, the kingdom is sown into us; Jesus, the kingdom, O how glorious!

2 We must repent for the kingdom's at hand; All that we do, think, or feel, or have planned Must be abandoned and changed in our mind; Leave all the world and self-seeking behind.

3 All of religion has missed it again, Teaching for doctrines the concepts of men; They vainly wait for the kingdom to be. A dispensation they're hoping to see.

4 But now the kingdom to us has been shown, It is no less than our Jesus alone. It is the Person of Christ in us all, And it begins as a seed when we call.