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# LIFE UNDER THE RULING OF THE KINGDOM

**HYMN: 947** 

The kingdom of the heavens is the heavenly ruling, the heavenly government of the Lord Jesus. After we have been regenerated. we have to be under this ruling. If we are under this ruling, we will be victorious and overcoming. We will be in the reality of the kingdom of the heavens, and we will enter into the manifestation of the kingdom of the heavens to rule and reign with the Lord. But if we are defeated Christians, when the Lord Jesus comes back, we will suffer a loss, and we will be punished so that we may become mature. When the Lord returns, we will be rewarded or punished according to our exercise in the kingdom.

Today the Lord gives us the kingdom of the heavens as an exercise to test us. When He comes back, He will give us the kingdom of the heavens as a reward if we exercise ourselves properly. Otherwise, He will render a certain kind of punishment to us so that we can pay the price to be ripened. May the Lord be gracious to all of us.

# Hymn 947 God's Kingdom today is a real exercise

God's Kingdom today is a real exercise,
But when Christ comes to reign it will be a great prize;
It is wisdom divine that we now may be trained
That His plan be fulfilled and His justice maintained.

God's children, we're born to be kings with His Son, And we need to be trained that we may overcome And to know how to rule in His kingdom as kings, That His kingship thru us be expressed o'er all things.

Today we must learn to submit to His throne, How to have a strict life and His government own; His authority then we'll be able to share, O'er the nations to rule with God's Son as the heir.

With a life strict to self we must righteousness hold, Kind to others in peace, and with God joyful, bold; In the Kingdom's reality e'er to remain, For its manifestation prepared thus to reign.

Then Christ when He comes with the kingdom from God Will to us grant His kingship to share as reward; Thus the Lord will His righteousness thru us maintain And His wisdom to heavenly powers make plain.

For this the Apostle pressed on at all cost, For the Kingdom assured that he would not be lost; 'Tis for this he charged others, Be true to the Lord. That the Kingdom might be unto them a reward.

O Lord, give us grace for Thy Kingdom to live, To be trained that Thou may the reward to us give; Make the Kingdom's reality our exercise, That its manifestation may be our great prize.

# **Scripture Readings:**

Ezk 28:11 Moreover the word of Jehovah came to me, saying,

**Ezk 28:12** Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, Thus says the Lord Jehovah, O you who sealed up perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty,

**Ezk 28:13** You were in Eden, the garden of God. Every precious stone was your covering, sardius, topaz, diamond, chrysolite, onyx, jasper, sapphire, carbuncle, and emerald, with gold. The workmanship of your tambourines and your pipes was prepared with you on the day that you were created.

**Ezk 28:14** You were the anointed cherub who covered the Ark; indeed I set you, so that you were upon the holy mountain of God; you walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Ezk 28:15 You were perfect in your ways from the day that you were created, until unrighteousness was found in you.

Ezk 28:16 By the abundance of your trading they filled your midst with violence, and you sinned. So I cast you out as profane from the mountain of God, and I destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

**Ezk 28:17** Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom by reason of your brightness. I cast you to the ground; I presented you before kings that they may look at you.

Ezk 28:18 By the multitude of your iniquities in the unrighteousness of your trading you have profaned your sanctuaries. Therefore I sent forth fire from your midst; it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all those who look at you.

Ezk 28:19 All who know you among the peoples are astonished at you. You have become a source of terror, and you will be no more forever.

**Rom. 14:17** For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

**1 Cor. 3:9** For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's cultivated land, God's building.

**1 Cor. 3:13** The work of each will become manifest; for the day will declare it, because it is revealed by fire, and the fire itself will prove each one's work, of what sort it is.

**1 Cor. 3:14** If anyone's work which he has built upon the foundation remains, he will receive a reward;

**1 Cor. 3:15** If anyone's work is consumed, he will suffer loss, but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

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