## REFLECTIONS ON CHRIST AS OUR KING Rev. Ray Commeret

In order to enter the kingdom of God one must be born again. Jn 3:5.

The fruit of that new birth is faith I Jn 5:1 and new life in the Spirit Gal 5:22, Eph 5:18, obeying his word Col 3:16, I Jn 2:6.

Thus we become his disciples, members of his kingdom. As Dr. Harvie says on this matter,

"So Jesus teaches us to pray in the new age. The heart of the prayer he taught is the heart of his message and mission – the coming of the kingdom. "Thy kingdom come," he says. And in connection with that kingdom's coming, may the name of God be hallowed, may the will of God be done (Matt 6:33, 5:1, 20). May there be a realization here and now of the saving gifts and blessings of God forgiveness of sins (Jer 31:34, Matt 18:23) and bread for the coming day. May there be preservation from the apostacy of the last terrible hour of temptation, present now, (Jn 16:33) but still to come its fullest sense. For all these things the followers of Jesus are to seek, ask, to find (Jn 11:19) And they will not be disappointed."

Our praying has significance if we pray as Jesus taught us to pray, because it is the incredibly joyous and powerful way we bring about the kingdom of God. Our lives have significance no matter where we are in the providence of God, because we are members of that kingdom which can not be shaken and is everlasting.

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#### GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

**Prelude** 

Welcome

Salutation and Call to Worship

#### **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPONSE**

## \* Opening Hymn

O Thou Who The Shepherd of Israel Art Trinity Hymnal # 349 (verses 1, 3-5)

- 1 O thou who the Shepherd of Israel art, give ear to our pray'r and thy favor impart; thou leader of Joseph, thou guide of his way, mid cherubim dwelling, thy glory display.
- 3 From Egypt's dark border a vine thou didst take; destroying the heathen didst room for it make. Where planted it grew at thy sov'reign command, with roots deeply set and boughs filling the land.
- 4 The axe hews it down; it is burned in the fire; they perish, rebuked in thy terrible ire.
  O lay then thy hand on the Man of thy might,
  The Son of Man made to stand strong in thy sight.
- 5 No more shall we wander, delighting in shame; revive us, O Lord, we will call on thy name. O Lord God of hosts, us restore to thy grace, and then we shall live in the light of thy face. \*\*

God's Law & Assurance of Pardon

**Congregational Prayer** 

<sup>\*</sup> Invocation

#### GOD SPEAKS HIS WORD TO HIS PEOPLE

## **Prayer for Illumination**

**Scriptures** 

Matthew 6:5-13 (p 694 pew Bible)

Luke 11:1-4 (p 1032 pew Bible)

Sermon

The Lord's Prayer (Pt 4): "Thy Kingdom Come"

### **Prayer of Application**

\* Closing Hymn

My Faith Looks Up To Thee Trinity Hymnal # 528 (all verses)

- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine; now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine.
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.
- 4 When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll, blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul.\*\*

#### \* Benediction

\*Please stand if able

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# The Lord's Prayer (Pt 4): "Thy Kingdom Come." Matthew. 6:5-13 & Luke 11:1-4

KEY QUESTIONS: (Ray Commeret) -

- 1) What are the disciples asking for in Luke 11:1?
- 2) What is the Kingdom of God?
- 3) What is God's Purpose in sending the King of Heaven to earth?
- 4) What is The Most Important Reality to Which the Kingdom points in the Present? (Luke 17:21)
- 5) What makes the Kingdom of God a hard concept? ALREADY & NOT YET.