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CITIZENS OF A NEW KINGDOM

Getting into God's Kingdom has nothing to do with what side of town you live on or how often you go to church. It requires a new spiritual birth. That's the only way you get a passport to the kingdom. This spiritual rebirth comes by placing your faith in Jesus Christ alone as your personal Sin—Bearer because of His substitutionary death on the cross and His victorious resurrection from the dead (see Romans 10:9—10).

When I travel, I have a passport that gives me access to other nations. If you have been born "from above" (a better translation than "again") by personal faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven and God has given you a passport into His kingdom. Your passport is the blood of Jesus, and it gets you into His Domain. What's it like there? Romans 14:17 says the kingdom of God is not food and drink but "righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit." It's a spiritual realm.

Paul says we are now citizens of another kingdom, which is owned by another King (see Philippians 3:20; 1 Timothy 1:17). Our obligation and allegiance is not to this world system that leaves God out, but to His Kingdom. **AMEN.**

Dr. Tony Evans

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28:18 - 20

