Teaching: "God's kingdom, what is it?"

Strong's definition #932: "Bas-ĩl-ĩ-ah":

properly *royalty*, that is (abstractly) *rule*, or (concretely) a *realm*, (literally or figuratively): - kingdom + reign.

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, Romans 14:17.

Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you, Luke 17:21.

Never is the New Testament is the Kingdom referred to as a physical place, the kingdom more accurately is God's domain. (His way of thought, ie. 'righteous thought', that gives Him authority & reign).

For the kingdom of God *is* not in word, but in power, 1st Corinthians 4:20.

As we see in these scriptures God's kingdom or dominion is all about right or righteous thinking. From the last scripture we also see that there is power in righteous thinking.

When we realize that the kingdom is about righteous thinking, we can easily understand why the unrighteous cannot inherit the kingdom of God.

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, ¹⁰ Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God, 1st Corinthians 6:9-10.

- Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption, 1st Corinthians 15:50.
- Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated *us* into the kingdom of His dear Son:, Colossians 1:13.
- That ye would walk worthy of God, who has called you unto His kingdom and glory, 2nd Timothy 1:9.