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THE SCANDAL OF THE KINGDOM
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Review of Session 6

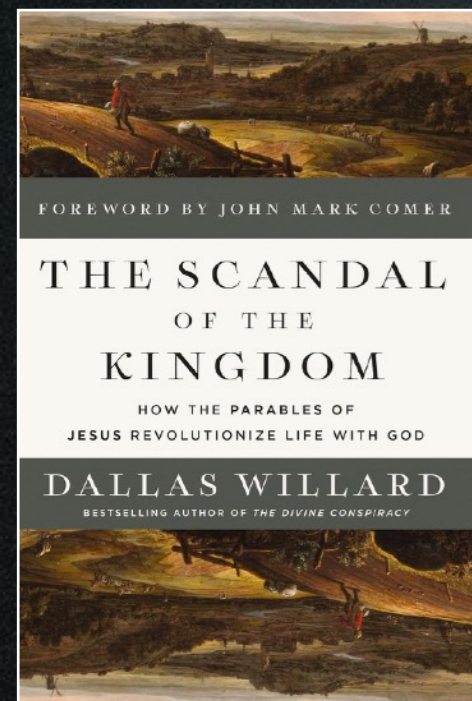
With the wheat and tares together, some are there for the wrong reasons, but we remember that our confidence is,

“Through Christ toward God”

2 Corinthians 3:4

We act in confidence out of the abundance, not out of scarcity, fear, or weakness but strength, fullness, and confidence. We enter into a power that is so great that we can speak of the Kingdom advancing among human beings. (104)





THE SCANDAL OF THE KINGDOM

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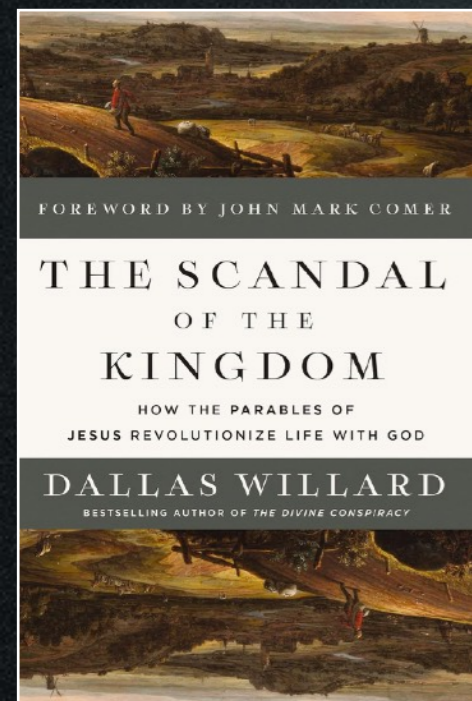
Chapter 7 (p. 106-121)

I - Intended to Rule in Faithfulness *Gen. 1:26, 28; Rev. 22:4-5*

II - Stewards of Kingdom Resources *Luke 19:12-27*

III - The Unjust Steward *Luke 16:1-12*

IV - Investing My Kingdom/Queendom



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I - Intended to Rule in Faithfulness

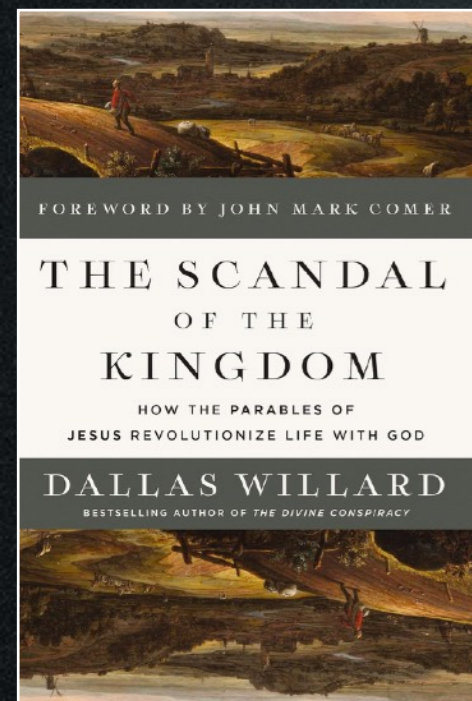
Genesis 1:26, 28 Revelation 22:4-5

You and I are unceasing spiritual beings with an eternal destiny in God's great universe. (108)

Two Kingdom Invitations:

- Harmonize our kingdoms under the Great Commandments. (107)
- Learn about the invisible landscape of His Kingdom through faithfulness in the small things. (108)
[Two Kingdom secrets: invisible & small]

This is our training to reign!



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II - Stewards of Kingdom Resources

“Well done good and faithful servant.” Luke 19:12-17 - “Minas”

Our “Decapolis Destiny” – Matthew 25:21-25 - “Talents”

Joyfully responsible to create and rule good

versus

The One Talent Person

- Hiding from God • Misjudging God’s Goodness • Fearful

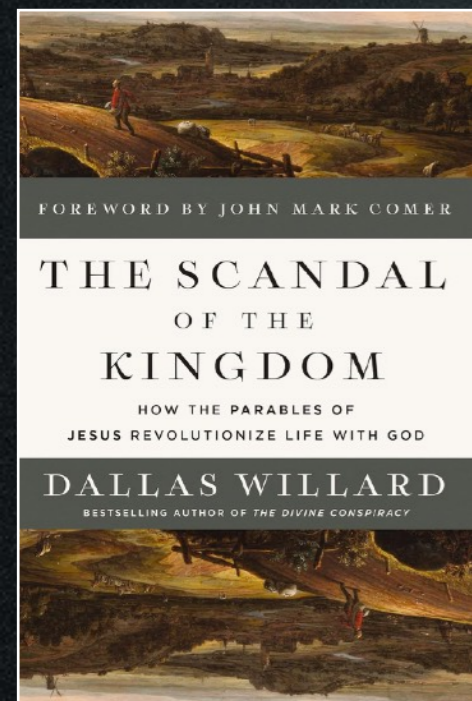
(111-114)

If we are to grow spiritually, we have to understand that we already are in charge of some things. So find out what you have say over and use it to become the kind of person who can manage ten cities. The physical universe isn't going to disappear; it's here to stay. And there will always be a need for people to supervise it. We were made to be in charge.

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The most important thing to take away from [The Parable of the Minas] is that you must take yourself seriously as God's creature. You must believe you are worth God's investment in you.

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III - The Unjust Steward - Luke 16:1-12

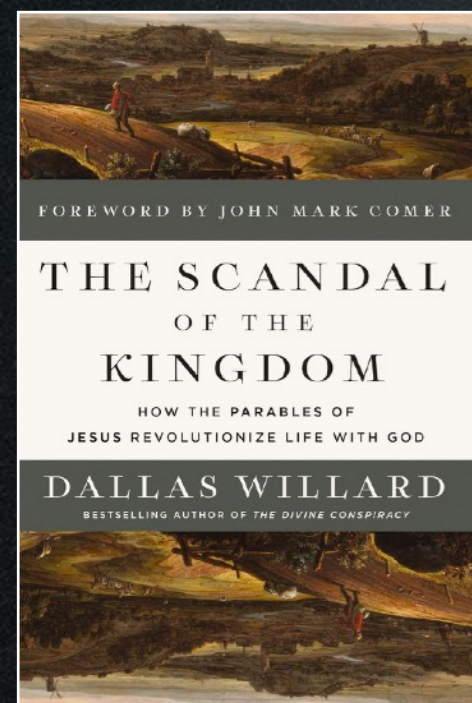
Let's make a deal with those indebted to the master.

Being shrewd with all things under the rule of God means making judgments about what is good and what is not.

What is important is the faithfulness,
not the size of what's going on. (117)

*What God is going to get out of my life, whatever I
may do otherwise, is the person I become.*

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IV - Investing My Kingdom (118-120)

*Mastering My Minas to become the Messiah's Mayor
What is in your Kingdom? This is what I'm in charge of!*

1.) You are in charge of certain aspects of your life.

Too many distractions. What are crucial things?

2.) Be intentional and definite about what you want to see happen.

3.) Make sure your desired outcomes are of God.

Evidence of the presence of the Spirit of God is the incommensurability of the outcome with the effort. When you see that tremendous difference in outcome, you know that God is on the scene. That is what we really have to do to cultivate* the Kingdom of God in our lives.*

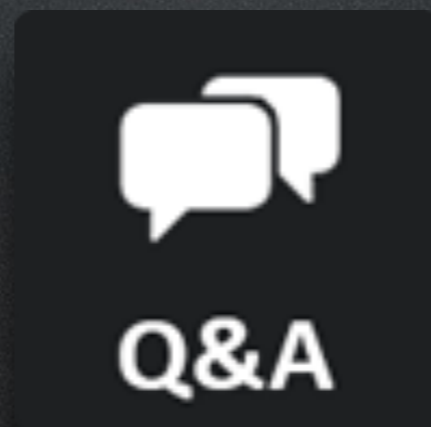
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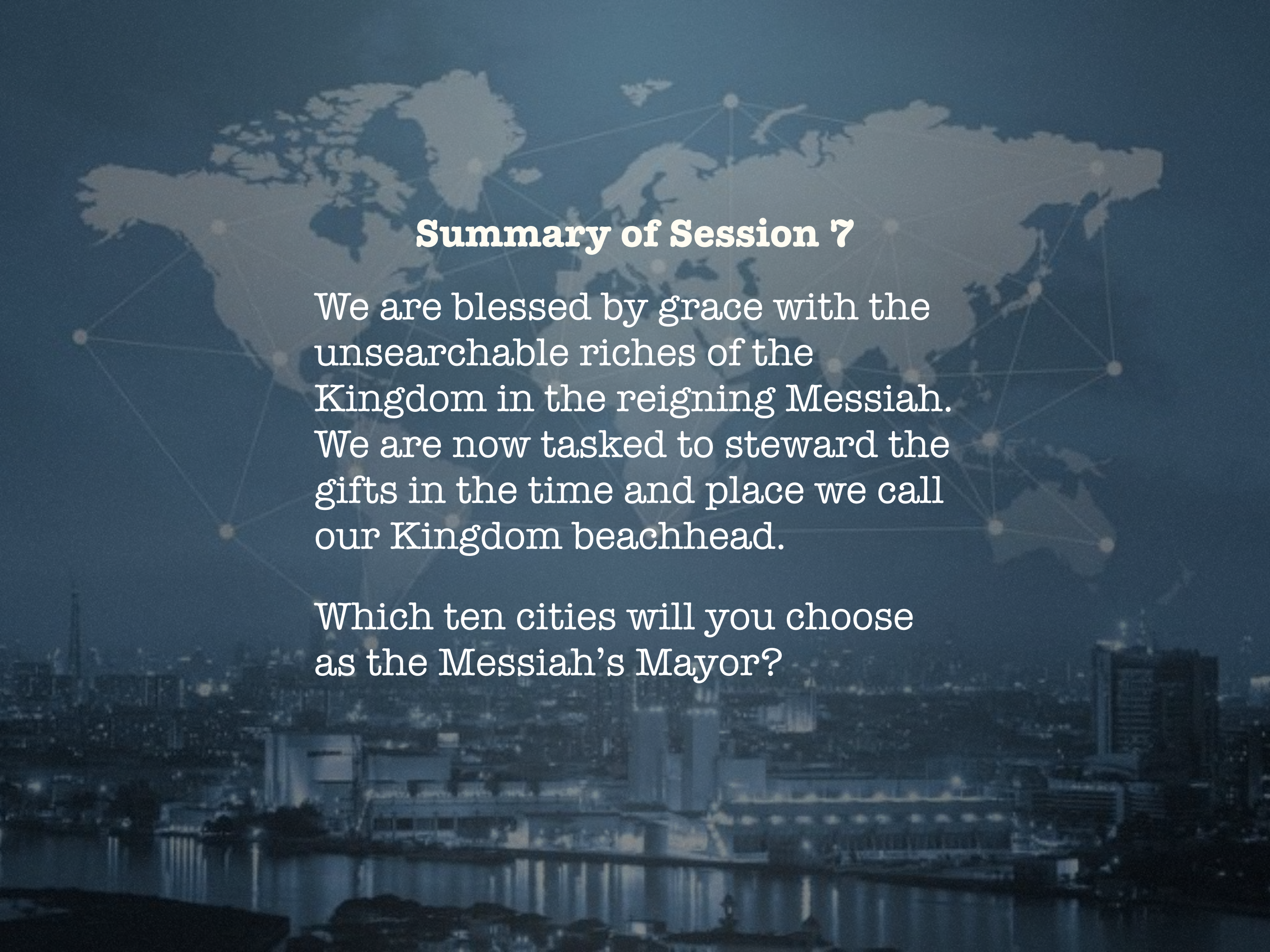
* - A secret of the Kingdom - abandon the outcome

Q&C

Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

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Summary of Session 7

We are blessed by grace with the unsearchable riches of the Kingdom in the reigning Messiah. We are now tasked to steward the gifts in the time and place we call our Kingdom beachhead.

Which ten cities will you choose as the Messiah's Mayor?

80:00 + 10K

Meditation – *Luke 19:12-27*

Application

VISION - Can I see myself mastering the minas as the Messiah's mayor?

INTENTION - How definite and incommensurate are my requests of God?

MEANS - What calling/vision is on my heart that I will share this week?



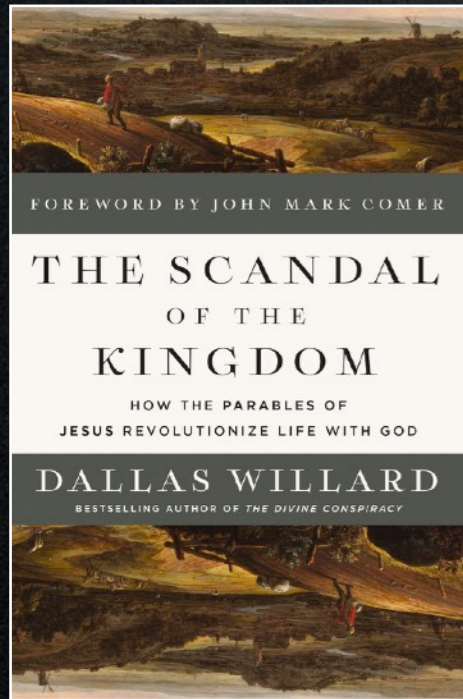
† Cross Fit



**A Dallas Teaching (audio)
to complement Session 7**

“The Divine Conspiracy” #12

The Unjust Steward & Talents [59:30-1:02:15]



Next Week — Session 8

“Revolutionizing Leadership”

Chapter 8 (122-142)

and

Luke 20:9-19

In your next 10,000 minutes...

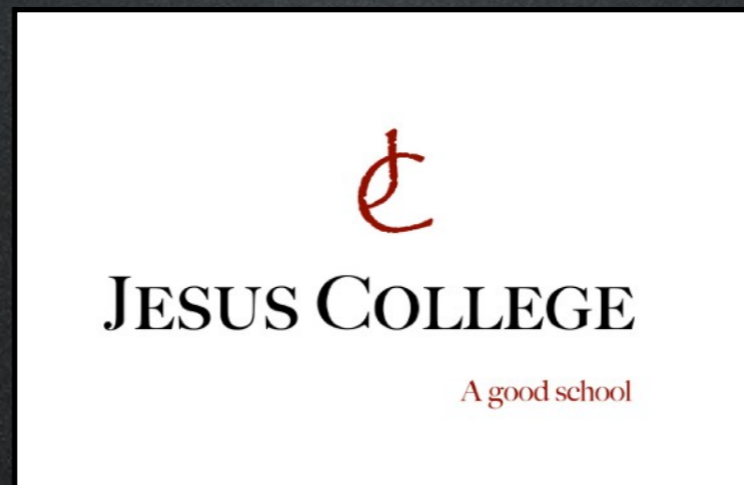
Focus on taking responsibility for things uniquely your own - where your choice determines what happens. You can practice faith in the Kingdom of God: see how it works, move with it, and know that it's real. God invites us, "You do it. You know I'm there, but you do it. And I will act with you."

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