


WELCOME to a 15 week course
THE SCANDAL OF THE KINGDOM
by Dallas Willard
presented by





Summary of Session 7

Mastering Minas & Talents

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?

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Session 8 - "Revolutionizing Leadership"

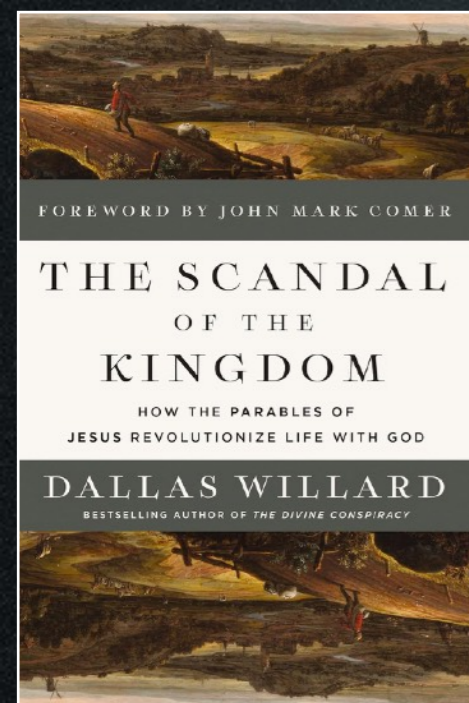
Chapter 8 (p. 122-142)

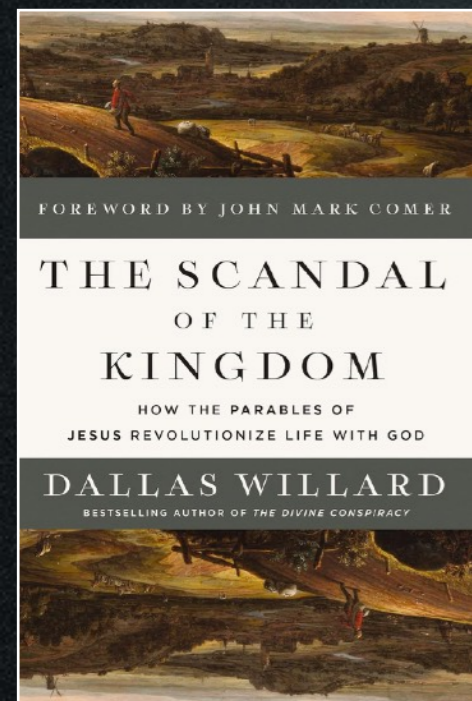
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II - The Wicked Tenants in the Vineyard *Luke 20:9-19*

III - Hard Hearts Hear Hard Things *Luke 20:45-47*
Matthew 23:24-33

IV - Leaders Living Worthy Lives





Session 8 - “Revolutionizing Leadership”

I - False Prophets as Ravenous Wolves

Matthew 7:15-23

“By their fruits you will know them.” Matthew 7:20

“That tree said it was an apple tree.”

Not just calling Jesus Lord, but having Jesus as Lord.
(124)

IN not OF?

“Do we allow the Lord to know us?”

An interactive life with God or only know about God?

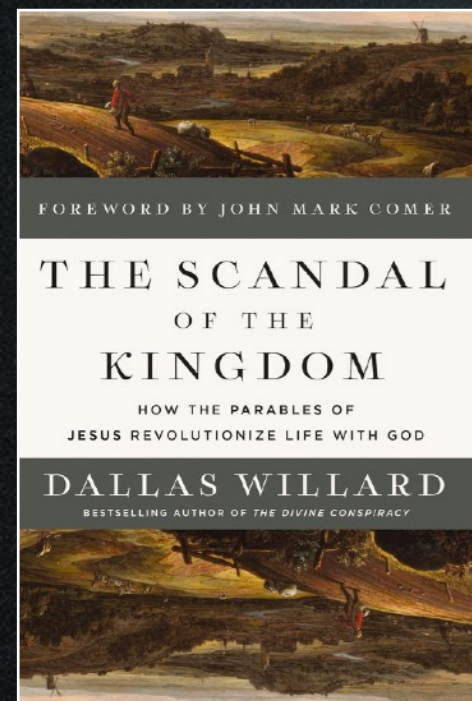
Knowing and being known – important realities in
the with-God life. (125)

That contrast between inner and outer is absolutely fundamental. Christianity is a religion of the heart. That does not mean that it leaves the external behavior unchanged. By no means does it mean that. What it means is that the root of Christian faith and behavior is in the heart. And if you have the behavior without the heart, you haven't got the real thing. No matter how much of the behavior you may have. And what Jesus is saying here is there is a necessary and unbreakable connection between the nature of the tree and the nature of the fruit.

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“The Parabolic Teachings of Christ’s Kingdom by Christ Himself”

#6 2:30-3:09



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II - The Wicked Tenants in the Vineyard Luke 20:9-19

"By what authority do you do this?" Luke 20:2

Certification Enabled vs. Authority from Ability

"Where did you get the authority to make such great music?"

Human authority - "the hoops"

versus

(111-114)

Divine authority (author) - "the heart"

"Jesus had an authority that the religious leaders did not give to him. They never say to him, 'You don't have any authority.'" (audio teaching #6)

II - The Wicked Tenants in the Vineyard (continued)

Rejection of, and Crushed by, the Cornerstone

Luke 20:17, Ps. 118:22

Jesus' crossed their paths, but their paths never merged. (130)

A Battle of great proportions...then and now. (131-33)

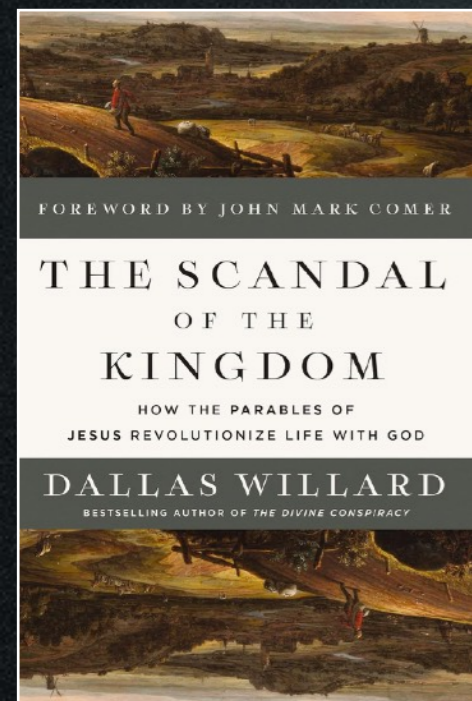
1.) A Question of Revenue from Taxes *Luke 20:20-26*

Is it lawful for us to pay tribute to Caesar or not?

2.) A Question of Resurrection *Luke 20:27-38*

"Who shall the widow be married to in heaven?"

"Teacher, you have spoken well."



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III - Hard Hearts Hear Hard Things
Luke 20:45-47; Matthew 23:24-33

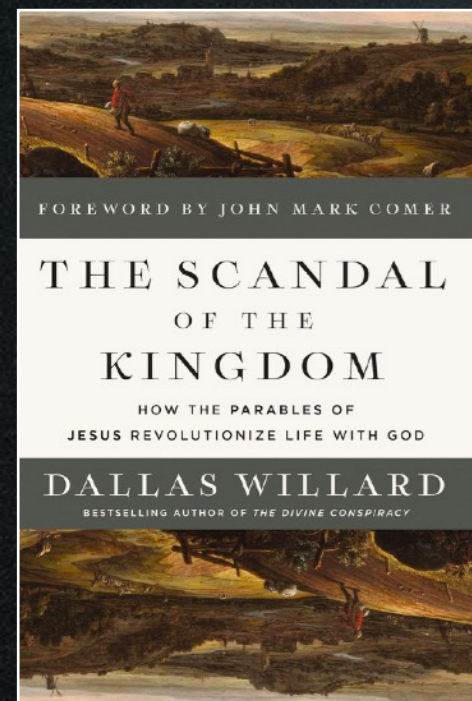
“You blind guides. You snakes.” Matthew 23:24 & 33

“You do not have the love of God [His Kingdom] in you.”

John 5:41

Jesus profoundly embarrassed the Pharisees in front of the whole crowd. (134)

Jesus was able to say hard things to people when he believed it would help them because he wasn't concerned about being honored and liked. (137)



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IV - Leaders Living Worthy Lives*

Luke 20:45-47; Matthew 23:24-33

Working with God and under God.

Interior Life — character = Authority & Truthfulness

Leaders must assume responsibility for our own character and the maintenance of it. (139)

* - This section is not in Dallas’ audio teaching on the parables.

Spiritual disciplines Maintain Christlike Character

1 Timothy 4:7-8, 15-16 — Train yourself in godliness, for, while physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.

Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Δ3 **Disciplines of Disengagement** (Retreat)

solitude*, silence*, fasting*, frugality,
chastity, secrecy*, sacrifice, watching

Δ3 **Disciplines of Engagement** (Advance)

prayer, study, meditation, memorization*, worship,
celebration, service, fellowship, confession, submission,
simplicity, obedience, generosity, giving, guidance, pilgrimage

* - listed on
p. 140-141

*What do people who lead in this way for Christ do?
They bring the life of the Kingdom to other people
by opening their lives to it themselves.*

This is the calling of every follower of Christ.

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The Scandal of the Kingdom
(141)

What is the Gospel of Jesus?



This Kingdom is at hand in Jesus and available to us now. As a result, we become disciples who exemplify eternal living and bring it to bear on everything around us because our lives are caught up in God's life as we steward His Kingdom on earth. We work with Jesus by taking on His easy yoke combining His strength with ours.

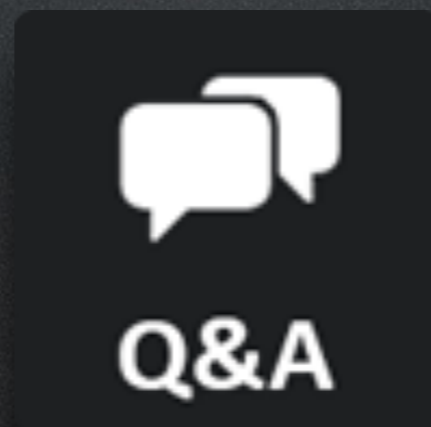
As Jesus' apprentices, we practice spiritual disciplines to become good trees bearing good fruit and we lead others in the same way.

(141 personalized and summarized)

Q&C

Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

(Use the Q&A on the bottom of your Zoom screen)



Review of Session 8

We choose a path following the one(s) we consider living a good life.

Our character reflects what's on the inside - who we are - and it shows by the authority we gain, or not.

We develop Christlike character as we practice the life of Jesus with Jesus by the power of Jesus to develop an interactive life with God not just knowing about God.



80:00 + 10K

Meditation – *1 Timothy 4:7-8, 15-16*

Application

VISION - If God took a spiritual x-ray of my heart, what would it reveal?

INTENTION - How authentic and truthful are my intentions to lead others?

MEANS - Which spiritual discipline (140-141) will I practice this week?



† Cross Fit



**An audio teaching by Dallas
to complement Session 8**

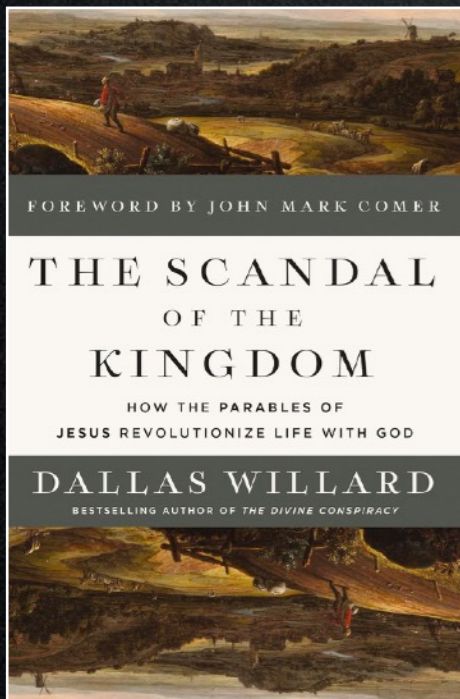
1.) "The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by
Christ Himself" (audio)

#6: The Vineyard and the Wicked Husbandmen [42:14]

NOTE: At 39:45 this audio jumps to the end of audio teaching #8

COMMENT: #6 may be the most forceful exhortation of Dallas' teachings

Next Week — Session 9



“Lost & Found”
Chapter 9 (143-160)
and

“2 Debtors” Luke 7:36-50

“2 Sons” Matthew 21:28-31

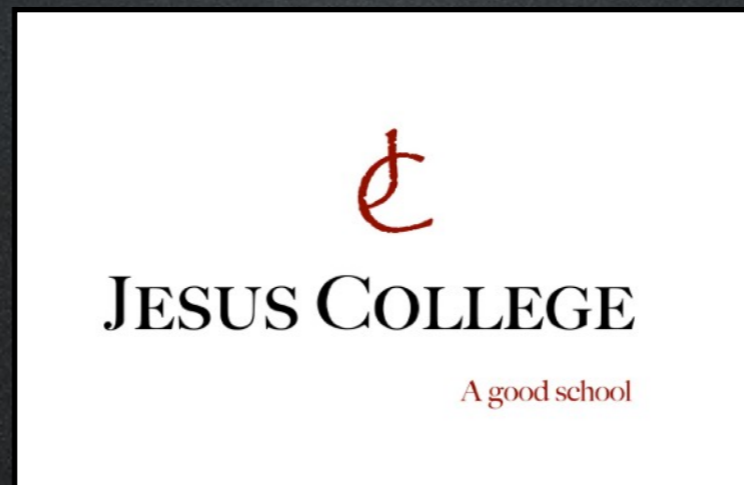
“Prodigal Son” Luke 15:11-32

*May your next 10,000 minutes
be filled with your interaction
with God and His Kingdom as
you practice life with Jesus
and lead others to join you.*



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