

The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand

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“The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Repent, for the time is nigh,” so proclaimed the courageous prophet John the Baptist for he saw the passing away of the old age and the coming of the new. In his mind, this process would culminate in the deliverance of the Jewish people politically as well as spiritually. Most Jews of his day believed in the coming Messiah as a political deliverer who would re-establish the throne of David and acting as King of the Jews, expel the Romans and re-establish Jewish sovereignty in and around Jerusalem, thus inaugurating a golden age for the Jewish people on a material as well as a spiritual level. All awaited the coming of the Messiah. John declared him to be Jesus. [more>>>](#)