



Devotion Info
Building His Kingdom

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- What did the Kingdom of God mean to this audience in Mark 1:15? How does their understanding differ from yours today?

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- What does it mean to seek the Kingdom's righteousness, and how do we do that?

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- When you look at your spiritual journey, how would you describe the tangible ways God has used you to build His Kingdom?

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- What does Jesus mean in Mark 1:15 that the time is fulfilled, and what significance does it have for us today?

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- What does repentance have to do with building the Kingdom?

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