

**Freedom Basics
Division of Labor
or
My Part, God's Part**

Introductory Thoughts

Starting Place: The Big Picture

Before we can understand what is happening on an _____ scale, we must first understand what is happening on a _____ scale.

The starting place for understanding the division of labor is understanding the notion of the _____.

The story of the Bible can be summed up in a single sentence:

“God is building a Kingdom of redeemed people for himself.”

Kingdom Pattern: _____

Kingdom Perished: _____

Kingdom Promised: _____

Kingdom Prototype: _____

Kingdom Propheesied: _____

Kingdom Present: _____

Kingdom Preached: _____

Kingdom Perfected: _____

Jesus

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel. – Mk 1:15

Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. – Jn 31:36

My kingdom is not of this world. – Jn 18:36

Our Part

The key issue for us is a matter of _____.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household. – Ephesians 2:19

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. – Philippians 3:20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son. – Colossians 1:13

How does one become a citizen? You must _____.

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. – Galatians 2:20

What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³ Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— ⁷ because anyone who has died has been set free from sin. – Romans 6:1 – 6

His Part

The result is that we no longer empowered by the flesh, but by the _____!

¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you. – Romans 8:11

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. – Gal 5:16 – 17

²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. – Gal 5:24 – 25

In order to live by the Spirit, we must be _____ with the Spirit.

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit . . . – Ephesians 5:15 – 18

The key to the Spirit-filled life is _____.

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. – Romans 12:1

. . . and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. – Romans 6:13

What about when you don't want to?