

The Literary Bookends of Acts

- Acts 1:3**
- Acts 28:30-31**



Kingdom Questions

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II. When will the kingdom come?

III. What are the kingdom values?



Walk through the Gospel of Matthew

- **Out of Egypt—2:15**
- **Through the water—3:13-17**
- **Into the wilderness—4:1-11**
- **Onto a mountain—5:1**



Kingdom Questions — Matthew 5:1-12

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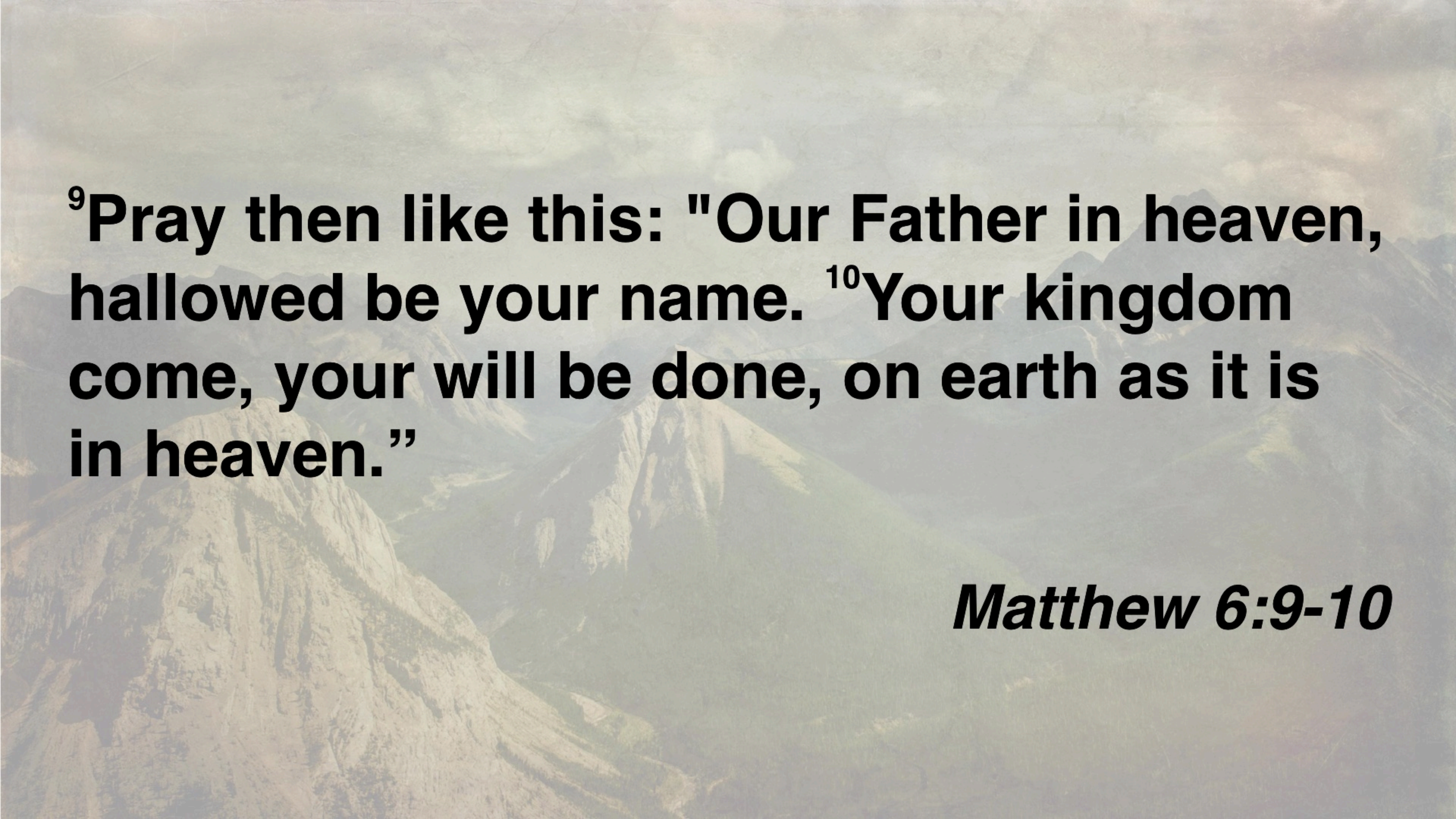
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Here and there—v.1-3**



Kingdom of God in Mark and Luke

- Mark 1:15**
- Luke 17:21**





⁹Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Matthew 6:9-10

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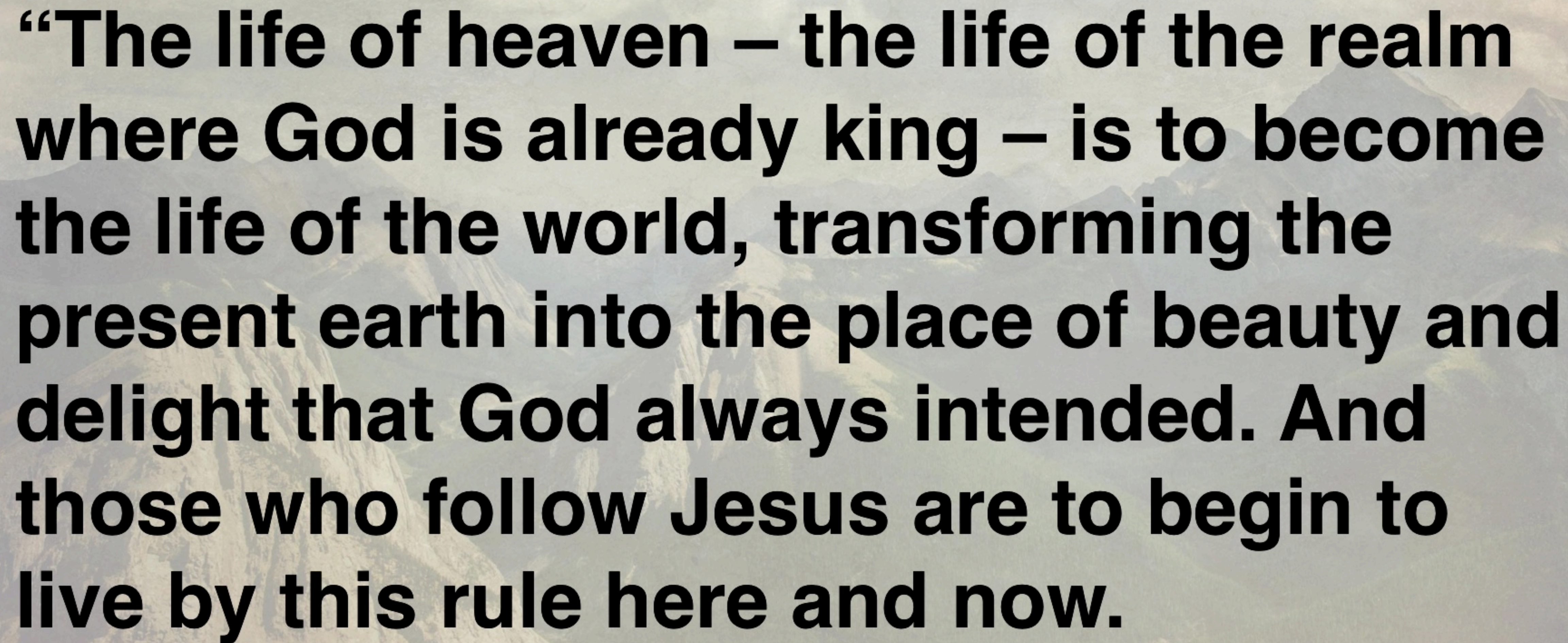
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“The life of heaven – the life of the realm where God is already king – is to become the life of the world, transforming the present earth into the place of beauty and delight that God always intended. And those who follow Jesus are to begin to live by this rule here and now.

That's the point of the Sermon on the Mount, and these beatitudes in particular. They are a summons to live in the present in the way that will make sense in God's promised future; because that future has arrived in the present in Jesus of Nazareth."

-N.T. Wright, Matthew for Everyone

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Think the opposite—v.2-12



Moving from Haggai to Joel

- Haggai—build the building**
- Joel—build your hearts**



¹²And you shall set limits for the people all around, saying, 'Take care not to go up into the mountain or touch the edge of it. Whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death...¹⁷ Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain.

Exodus 19:12, 17