



THE KINGDOM OF THE BELOVED SON

A Series through the life of Jesus Christ

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Consequently, Jesus could no longer enter a town in plain view, but He stayed out in solitary places.

Yet people came to Him from every quarter.

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1 Kings 8: 39...may You forgive and act, and repay each man according to all his ways, since **You know his heart**—for **You alone know the hearts of all men**—

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Psalm 103

12 As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Isaiah 38

17...Your love has delivered me from the pit of oblivion, for You have cast all my sins behind Your back.

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25 I, yes I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake and remembers your sins no more.

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Romans 3

25 God presented Him as the atoning sacrifice through faith in His blood, in order to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance He had passed over the sins committed beforehand.

26 He did this to demonstrate His righteousness at the present time, that He might be **just** and the **justifier** of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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John 5

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21 For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom He wishes.

James 1

18 Of His own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

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