NOT FAR FROM THE KINGDOM Mark 12:28-34; Matthew 22:34-40; Luke 10:25-37.

- 1. What is the kingdon of God? <u>ELEMENTS</u>:

 <u>a.</u> The King; <u>b.</u> The Subjects; <u>c.</u> Constitution; Laws and Ordincances; <u>d.</u> Ministers
 <u>e.</u> Territory.
- 2. What the kingdom of God is not.a. Romans 14:17b. The kingdom of God consists of three things:
 - l. In relation to God it is righteousness. <u>His law of justice is obeyed</u>. The Christian attains righteousness.

2. In relation to man it is peace. Peace

- from God; 1 Tim. 1:2; 2-1:2; Peace that rules, Col. 3:15; Peace that passes understanding; Phil. 4:7.

 3. In the heart of the subject it is joy, 1 Thess. 5:16; 1 Pet. 1:8.9;
- Phil. 4:4.

 3. What is it to be not far from the Kingdom.
- Many are not fra from the kingdom:

 1. As regards their knowledge: Acts 24:22:
 - Mark 10:17-22

 2. As regards their morals. The Pharisees were moralists and the most extreme religionist of their day.
 - a. Cornelius a moral man. Acts 10:1-48.

 3. As regards their intentions. Matt. 25:1-
- 3. As regards their intentions. Matt.25:1-4. The position of those not far from the
 - kingdom. STILL OUTSIDE.

 a. Cities of Refuge. Joshua 20:1-9; OUTSIDE God s righteousness; peace and joy.

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