

**“KINGDOM CHARACTER – 3”
(MATTHEW 5:9-12)**

CENTRAL TRUTH

- God’s purpose for the citizens of His Kingdom is to have their character conform to the character of Jesus Christ.

KINGDOM CITIZENS ARE: (FROM KINGDOM CHARACTER 1-2)

1. **BANKRUPT SPIRITUALLY**
2. **BROKENHEARTED BY SIN’S DAMAGE**
3. **BOWED BEFORE GOD’S AUTHORITY**
4. **CRAVING FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS**
5. **COMPASSIONATE WITH OTHERS**
6. **CLEAN IN HEART BEFORE GOD**

KINGDOM CITIZENS:

SEEK GOD’S PEACE FOR ALL. (Vs. 9)

- Personal peace with God. (Colossians 1:19-22)
- Peace with God for the perishing. (Acts 10:35-36)
- Peace among the Family of God. (1 Thess. 5:12-13)
- Peace with all others. (Romans 12:17-18)
- Proclaimed the children of God. (Ephesians 6:23)

SUFFER PERSECUTION FOR KINGDOM LIVING. (10-11)

- Craving righteousness crashes into the culture. (1 Peter 3:7-10)
- Character of the Kingdom creates conflict. (1 Peter 4:12-14)
- Christ is the true focus of the persecution. (John 15:18-25)
- Cross-bearing is evidence of Kingdom citizenship. (1 Peter 2:11-12)

SERVE JOYFULLY. (Vs. 12)

- Rejoice because you will be eternally rewarded. (1 Peter 4:12-14)
- Remember that you are in good company.

Is KBC a Great Commission Church that seeks to bring God’s peace to a lost world?

We are IF AND ONLY IF YOU ARE a Great Commission Christian who seeks to bring God’s peace to the Lost.