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God is up to something! And his plans are far greater than you might imagine. Christianity is not merely about isolated individuals going to heaven. It's about God transforming the entire world and making things right. Sicknesses will be healed, sins will be forgiven, injustice will be eradicated, and all creation will be redeemed. But this is not merely a distant future. It's happening now through what Jesus came to establish--the kingdom of God. Allen Wakabayashi reawakens you to the world-changing reality of the kingdom of God. With clear, biblical insight, he unpacks what Jesus proclaimed about the good news of the kingdom and spells out the implications for you today. Focusing on the kingdom of God will revolutionize how you live out your faith, how you think about your world and how you explain the good news about Jesus. Ultimately, understanding yourself as a citizen of the kingdom will empower you to be one of God's change agents in the world. God is at work to restore everything to be the way he intended it to be, and you can be a part of what he is doing! Get a glimpse of the kingdom coming, and experience his will being done--on earth as it is in heaven.

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Pf says

This is one of the most inspirational books and it's practical!!

Ryan says

This book flowed well and was a pretty easy read. I'm now fascinated by this kingdom theology that he discusses throughout the book. Although there are many different topics discussed throughout the book, they all all tied together by the fact that they are discussed in light of the kingdom of God and how many common Christian mindsets don't really take into account this facet of our spiritual lives. Between the now-but-not-yet idea of the two ages, a new way of thinking about mission and evangelism, a more holistic perspective on the gospel, and a few new perspectives on the purpose of the church, I found that looking at these things through a kingdom perspective addressed a lot of the small uncomfortabilites that I had with these things when looking at them through the common, prevailing Christian perspectives of today. It also justified a lot of the way that I have learned to look at things during the past few years that existed with an incomplete understanding before. So many things make more sense after reading this book.

Jonathan Weaver says

The author does a good job of reminding the reader that the kingdom of God is much bigger than just one aspect of redemption. It helps a believer realize that their position here on Earth during the already not yet times is not monochromatic such as be a good church goer or get personal salvation and then wait for the Kingdom to Come. The only complaint I have was to make this point about the multi-faceted mission of God's Kingdom he attacked evangelism with harsher words than were necessary. It could make a reader think that he doesn't consider evangelism as important as broken systems changing or the poor being helped or the homeless being fed and clothed and I don't think he means that due to the rest of his book, but his language is a little too harsh for a cursory reader to gather his fullest intent.

Jaime says

I've been reading this book by Allen Mitsuo Wakabayashi, and it's fantastic. The grandmother I forced to adopt me when I arrived in Urbana suggested it. It's written by a Chicago-area staff worker with InterVarsity and he has an excellent message and interesting approach. So far, the main point has been that modern-day Christians "limit" the gospel message to "get a personal relationship with Jesus to save yourself from hell." He claims that Jesus' followers in the first century were not proclaiming that message! They were proclaiming that God's Kingdom has already come, continues to come, and will finally come. Instead of a one-by-one mentality of the gospel, he seems to advocate for kingdom change here on earth in larger chunks as well as one-by-one, to be completed when Jesus returns. His portrayal of the gospel is authentic to the New Testament and very useful for a Westerner like myself!

Grace says

because it was a tamer version of irresistible revolution which i had already read 2 years ago, i don't think it was amazingly influential in my life the way that it was in the lives of those that recommended this book to me (wayne). that being said, one thing that i did come away with a better understanding of is how christianity is not just an individualistic pursuit. also, i'm still a little skeptical of wakabayashi's school of thought that seems to be pushing that social justice >>> gospel even though that is more 'appealing' to me as well.

also, my church's stance: <http://www.typepad.com/services/track...>

Adam Koenig says

A decent read, but you have to consider the audience. For a college student it's pretty good, but as a seminary student it's pretty simple.

Mcarter says

Great book. I just discovered it yesterday and finished it today. It really captures the essence of our theme for this coming Chapel year. I haven't wrote my review yet, but check my website in a couple of days for the complete version.

tara says

simply fab.

Alli Ramsay says

While I would hesitate to say this book was life-changing, it was an excellent and quick read, and I would recommend it to anyone who needs a boost of inspiration to go all-in in working with the Kingdom of God.

Mark Kaech says

Great introductory book on the Kingdom of God and what it means to be a citizen of the Kingdom.

Laurel Bartow says

Most would agree that somethings not right with us and our world. I have been exposed over recent years to The idea of “now, but not yet” in terms of the kingdom of God.

This book was helpful and Encourages a balance between personal evangelism and working for peace, justice and reconciliation in The kingdom of God as it exists today!

The world is watching us

Mike says

This was my introduction to Kingdom theology. Well worth the read. This book completely shifted my understanding of Christian faith. This would go on my top five list of books that influenced my faith.

Ben Laur says

Good book exploring the kingdom of God as brought forth through the ministry of Jesus, which Jesus' followers are to continue to advance through their lives in the world today. The book focuses overwhelmingly on the kingdom as a present, "already" reality that is not yet fully realized. Nothing wrong with that, as long as the author and readers alike don't limit their view of Jesus' kingdom to this and forget about or ignore the kingdom that is yet to come when Jesus physically and bodily reigns over the nations of the earth together with the saints.
