

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM AND SIGNS FOLLOWING

This chart powerfully demonstrates the connection between the preaching of the gospel of the Kingdom and the signs, miracles, and wonders which followed as confirmation of that first century message.

Jesus promised his disciples to confirm the gospel message with “signs”, which would follow those who would believe. However, the gospel message which John, Jesus and the disciples preached was that the Kingdom was “at hand” and would be established within their lifetime (Mathew 3:1-2, 4:17, 16:27-28).

Therefore, the “signs” confirmed the message that the Kingdom of God would be received by the first century generation. Since the Kingdom was received in AD70 through the establishment of the New Covenant (Hebrews 12:26-28), there is no longer the need for “signs” to confirm the coming of a kingdom which has already come. This explains why we don’t see “confirming signs” today.

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM	SIGNS FOLLOWING
Preach the gospel... the word (Mark 16:15-20)	Signs will accompany... confirmed by signs following (Mark 16:15-20)
Apostles teaching (Acts 2:42-43)	Wonders and signs through apostles (Acts 2:42-43)
Testimony to the resurrection (Acts 4:16-33)	Signs wonders great power (Acts 4:16-33)
The whole message of Life (Acts 5:12-20)	Many signs and wonders (Acts 5:12-20)
The word spreading (Acts 6:7-8)	Great wonders and signs (Acts 6:7-8)
Preaching the word... preaching the good news of the kingdom (Acts 8:4-15)	Signs and great miracles performed (Acts 8:4-15)
Testifying to the word of His grace (Acts 14:1-3)	Signs and wonders granted (Acts 14:1-3)

The word of the gospel (Acts 15:7-12)	Giving of the Spirit, signs and wonders (Acts 15:7-12)
Persuading about the kingdom of God (Acts 19:6-12)	Performing extraordinary miracles (Acts 19:6-12)
Preached the gospel of Christ (Romans 15:18-19)	Signs and wonders (Romans 15:18-19)
Message and preaching (1 Corinthians 2:4)	Demonstration of the Spirit and power (1 Corinthians 2:4)
Preached the gospel (2 Corinthians 11:7-12:12)	Signs, wonders, and miracles (2 Corinthians 11:7-12:12)
The word of salvation (Hebrews 2:1-4)	Confirmed and testified by signs, wonders, miracles (Hebrews 2:1-4)