Teaching: "The Courts of Heaven"

The kingdom of God operates as a KINGDOM, having rules and a legal structure to it.

Parable of hidden treasure in a field, Matthew 13:44...

When he finds it, he hides it, and for the joy of it goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field

The kingdom must be acquired legally.

Jesus taught us to pray to God as, Father, Friend and as Judge.

As Father: in Matthew 6:10-13 (the Lord's prayer).
As Friend: in Luke 11:5-10 (shall have a friend).
As Judge: in Luke 18:1-8 (widow in that city).

Prayer is not on a battle field, it is put into a court room setting.

satan is our <u>adversary</u>, adversary is a legal term he is the accuser of the brothern, (who is he accusing us to ???) he is accusing us before God day and night, <u>Revelation 12:10</u>.

Prayer is not convincing God to meet our need, Matthew 6:32 nor is it to inform God of our need, Matthew 6:8

If our need is not being met something is legally stopping it.

God is our judge and He wishes to bless us, James 4:12.

Final judgment will be given at the end, but for now We need to plead our case and enforce the outcome.

So what do we do?

REPENT; put all things under the blood. We can only do this through our mediator JESUS, believing on Him, that we are; Justified, Forgiven, Righteous, Blameless,

Some scriptures on Authority

Behold, I give unto you <u>power</u> (exousia) to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the <u>power</u> (dunamis) of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you, Luke 10:19.

Strong's definition: exousia (ex-oo-see'-ah) - NT:1849 from NT:1832 (in the sense of ability); privilege, i.e. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom, or (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence:

KJV – authority ⁽²⁷⁾, jurisdiction, liberty, power ⁽⁷²⁾, right, strength.

- For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch, Mark 13:34.
- Then He called His twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases, Luke 9:1.
- For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my servant, Do this, and he does *it*, *Luke* 7:8.
- And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out, Luke 4:36, {Mark 1:27}.