

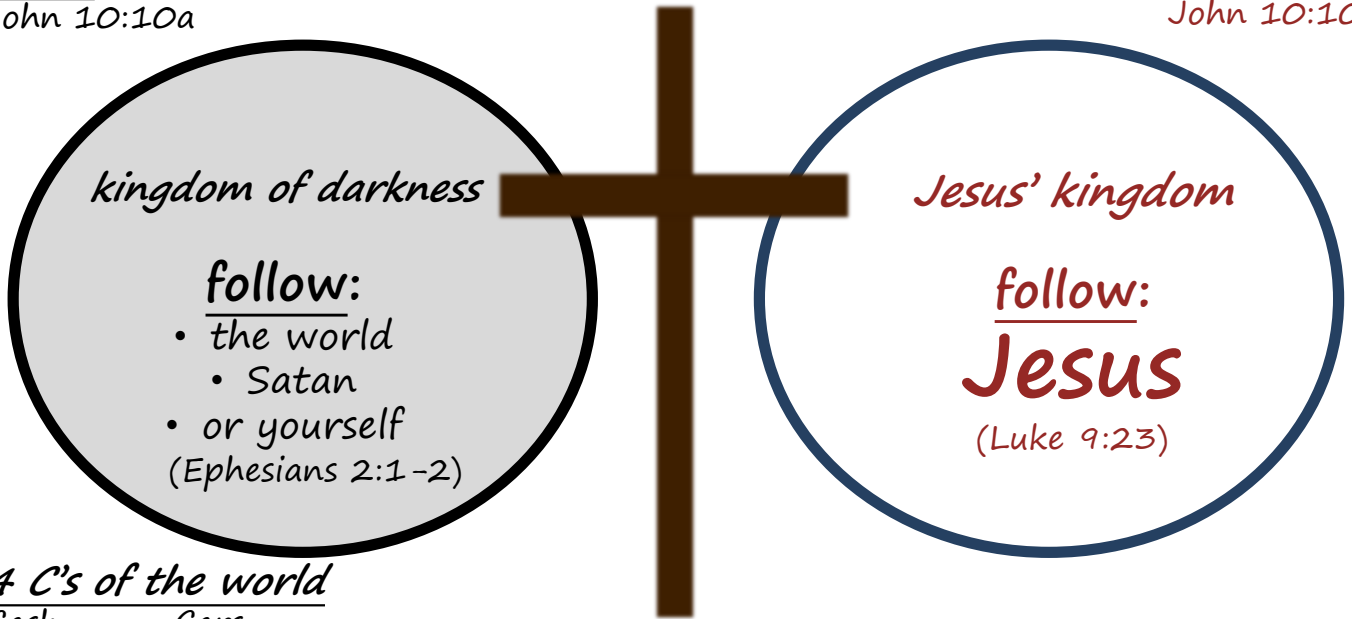
the two kingdoms

The Two Kingdoms illustration outlines a simple explanation of the gospel ("good news") that Jesus preached during His earthly ministry. It is imperative that we understand both the message of the gospel of the kingdom, as well as our responsibility to proclaim the gospel.

"for he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves"
- Colossians 1:13 -

Death
John 10:10a

Life
John 10:10b



4 C's of the world

Cash Cars
Careers Cuties
(1 John 2:15-16)

"for Christ died for sins once for all to bring you to God"
- 1 Peter 3:18 -

- Paul tell us in Colossians 1:13 that there are *two kingdoms* at work in this world.
- Who is in darkness? Ephesians 2:1-2 states that those who follow the world or Satan are dead in their sin.
- What does "following the world" look like? 1 John 2:15-16 describes the world's values (the 4 C's).
- Remaining in this kingdom will result in eternal **death, darkness, and destruction** (John 10:10a).
- The good news (gospel) is that **God** has provided a way for us to be transferred out of darkness: Jesus' death on the cross (1 Peter 3:18).
- Entering Jesus' kingdom has a cost: that we **deny** ourselves, take up our **own** cross, and **follow** Jesus (Luke 9:23).
- Serving Jesus the King promises a reward of **light** (John 12:46), **life** (John 10:10b), and **love** (John 17:26).
- When your lifetime is over, whichever king you served is who you will be with **for eternity**. Which king do you want to serve?