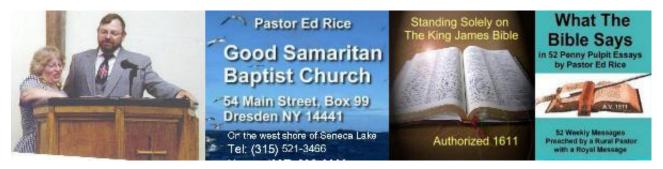


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## Msg #1044 The Literalness of the Kingdom

## What the Bible Says, Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice

Dear Editors and friends,Please freely print this weeks Penny Pulpit Column in your papers, bulletins, emails, bloggs and twitters . Thank you for this consideration.Pastor Ed Rice, Good Samaritan Baptist Church, Dresden NY 14441These Baptist Penny Pulpits are an asset to many young Missionaries and young Christians, FORWARD it to someone. Msg #1044 The Literalness of the KingdomWhat the Bible Says, Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice A born again Christian should not confuse the kingdom of God that he was born into by a second birth, with the thousand year kingdom age where his Christ will reign as King of kings and Lord of lords from the throne of David. The Jews, looking for the kingdom of God were told "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation. Neither shall they say Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold the kingdom of God is within you." (Luke17) Jesus makes the distinction between the Kingdom of God you receive within you, and the coming day of the Lord when the Son of Man will sit on the Throne of David and rule every nation. For a believer the blessed hope is not that he might be saved in the end, but that he will see his blessed Redeemer come and fulfill the promises that he made. These promises are actual not figurative; real not allegorical; to us in the New Covenant and to God's chosen people, Israel in the Old Covenant. The literalness of the Kingdom of God in us and the Kingdom of Christ soon coming can not be allegorized away. They are realities of Christianity and realities of His revelation. God says "My covenant will I not break nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David. His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before me." Shame on 'Christendom' for allegorizing away God's promises, and believing the textual critics who rip verses out of this precious old book. In this, its 400th year, you should unite with the tiny remnant that hold on to every jot and tittle of this old King James Bible. An



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