Action Terms for the Kingdom in the Gospels

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There are 88 distinct references to the kingdom of God in the four Gospels. Upon examining them all, I've listed the various action words that are used to describe the kingdom.

We enter the kingdom.

We see the kingdom.

We *receive* the kingdom.

The kingdom *belongs* to us.

The kingdom is *like* [many different things].

Some people aren't *far from* the kingdom.

We wait for the kingdom.

The kingdom is ours.

The kingdom is coming.

The kingdom has come.

We seek the kingdom.

We are *subjects of* the kingdom.

The kingdom is *near* [or at hand].

Some people are *least in* the kingdom.

Some people are great in the kingdom.

We come into the kingdom.

The kingdom is *taken away* from Israel and *given to* the nations.

Some people *shut out* others from the kingdom.

The kingdom is *prepared* for us.

The kingdom is *given* to us.

The *keys* of the kingdom have been given. The king *shall come into* His kingdom. His kingdom *shall not end*. He *spoke about* the kingdom. He *proclaimed* the kingdom. Some people are *not fit for* the kingdom. The kingdom is *in your midst*. The kingdom *does not come* with observation. Do this *for the sake of* the kingdom. We are *disciples of* the kingdom. The kingdom *appears*. Some things will be *weeded out* of the kingdom.

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