

## **CHRIST JESUS AS KING**

### **REVIEW:**

- **Jesus as Prophet**
  - **A Spokesman for God, through His earthly life, and now by the word and Spirit. For the Spirit is now the Spokesman for Christ, for Jesus said in Jn. 16:14; He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you.**
- **Jesus as Priest**
  - **Priests' make offerings and sacrifices. Atonement, Reconciliation, Propitiation, expiation.**
  - **Mediator, Advocate, Intercessor,**

### **INTRO: Jesus as King:**

- **My first thought is how much better off we are being under the Lordship of Jesus Christ as Prophet, Priest and King than a sinless Adam.**
- **What is a king?**
  - **The chief or sovereign of a nation; a man invested with supreme authority over a nation, tribe or country; a monarch. Kings are absolute monarchs, when they possess the powers of government without control, or the entire sovereignty over a nation.**
- **Is Jesus then King?**
- **Pilate asked in Jn 18:37: "Are You a king then?" to which Jesus answered; "You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world,**
- **How long will He reign?**
  - **Heb. 1:8; But to the Son *He says*: "Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your kingdom.**
  - **Ps. 10:16 The LORD *is* King forever and ever;**
- **And He is not just a King, He is King of Kings, Lord of Lords.**
  - **Let's look at **1 Tim. 6:15-16****
  - **Also Rev. 17 & 19**
- **There are and have been kings, but Jesus is the King of kings, and Lord of lords.**
  - **In Pr. 21:1 it says The king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, *Like* the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.**

### **HE IS KING OVER THE WORLD**

- **Dan. 7:13-14**
- **1 Cor. 15:24-27**
- **Rev. 1:5b The Prince of the kings of the earth.**

## **JESUS AS KING OVER THE CHURCH**

- **Eph. 1:20-21**
- We see Him described as the "Head." That from which all things flow and from all direction and leadership originates.
- Eph. 4:15; speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ
- Col. 1:18a; And He is the head of the body, the church

## **HIS KINGSHIP VISIBLY REALIZED AT HIS SECOND COMING,,**

- First, I must admit that I, and I am sure you would all agree with this statement, we are like blind men trying to explain the sunrise to someone who has never seen it.
- Peter gives us a faint glimpse of what this second coming may look like when he reports his experience on the mount of transfiguration
  - **2 Ptr. 1:16-17**
- I am sure also that at His coming His glory would fare out blaze the glory of the angels at His tomb when He rose from the dead.
- In Rev. we are told;
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  - **Rev. 6:15-17**
  - Rev. 11:15; Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become *the kingdoms* of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"
- When Jesus Christ comes this second time, He will bolt out of heaven on a white horse and descend to earth and He will be attended with the unnumerable hosts of heaven, saints and angles.
  - **Rev. 19:11-16**
- He is the King of righteousness and judgment. This office has been commissioned to Him by the Father
  - **Jn. 5:22-23, 27.** For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him..... and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.
- Those who put on trial, accused Him of being in contempt, as well as those on their earthly thrones, when they attempted to make Him give an account to them of His actions and motivations.
- Those who spat in His face, mocked and ridiculed Him will now on this great and terrible day of the Lord will stand before this almighty, infallible, unerring, omniscient Judge and give an account of their actions.
- And the fulfillment of Mt. 26:64 will be complete.

- Jesus said to him, *"It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."*
- He will come in with great glory, power and majesty, bringing judgment and righteousness to bear upon all inhabitants of this earth, and with the glory of the Father. Judgment unto death and judgment unto life.
  - Mt. 16:27, For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works.
- Jesus is coming again, this time not to become an offering for sin, but for righteousness and judgment.
- To the Church, His body, He comes the second time with salvation:
  - Heb. 9:28; so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.
- Paul said salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. Rom. 13:11
- **1 Peter 1:3-5**
- What joy it will be to the saints when at that great last day, to lift up our eyes and behold the person in whom we have trusted for salvation and righteousness, to whom we have fled for refuge, upon whom we have built as the foundation for eternity, and whose voice we have often heard inviting us to Himself for protection and safety coming as Judge and rewarder.
- Jesus the friend of sinners.

### **IS JESUS MY KING?**

*When Jonathan Edwards was a youth, he was wrestling with the supremacy of God over all things. He didn't like the thought. It was abhorrent to him. However, in 1721, he read 1 Timothy 1:17, "Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen." This verse changed his life, leading to his conversion to Christ. Here's how he describes what took place in his mind after meditating on this verse, ...*

*As I read the words, there came into my soul, ... a sense of the glory of the Divine Being; a new sense, quite different from any thing I ever experienced before. ... I thought with myself, how excellent a Being that was, and how happy I should be, if I might enjoy that God, and be rapt up to him in heaven; and be as it were swallowed up in him forever!*

- How does Jesus as King affect my daily life? What difference does this make in the daily grind of my life?
- Will I agree with Israel when they spoke of David, now all the people took note of it, and it pleased them, since whatever the king did pleased all the people. 2 Sam. 3:36
- All that the King of the church does is right and just. Ps. 97:1

- The LORD reigns; Let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of [a]isles be glad!
- PS 145:17, The LORD *is* righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works
- And again, in Ps 97:1; The LORD reigns; Let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of coastlands be glad!
- He is the King of glory. Ps. 24
- May we respond like Greg Livingstone when at age 16 he surrendered his life and could say when he was a old man;
  - "As incredible as it sounds, I can testify honestly that from that incident in 1956 to this very day, I have consciously sought to be obedient to the commands of God as I understood them. "

**King of my life, I crown Thee now, Thine shall the glory be; Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow, Lead me to Calvary. (156)**