

Christ the Lord is King of Kings

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Introduction:

- A. 2Cor. 11:4 - "For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted--you may well put up with it!"
 - 1. A different spirit, a different gospel, but a similar Jesus; just not the authentic Christ
 - 2. A different spirit (heteron he pneuma), a different gospel (heteron oh evaggelion)
 - a. The Greek heteros - "one of a different sort"; a different sort of gospel and spirit
 - 3. Another Jesus (allon Iesoun) "another of the same sort" (allos).
 - a. The Jesus" under consideration is very similar to the authentic Jesus, but has a small variation.
 - b. The Jesus of the religious world often closely resembles the real Jesus, but is different from the Jesus of scripture.
- B. 1Tim. 6:15-16; Matt. 28:18; Rom. 1:4; Luke 6:46
 - 1. Few in a democracy understand the nature of a monarchy; even fewer would survive in one
 - 2. It is an absolute authority and rule by one; there is no higher appeal and no recourse; there is no structured input into the rule by subjects
 - 3. All respect, honor, and homage is for the king

I. THE KING IS PROPHESED

- A. 2Sam. 7:12-13; Jer. 23:5-6; Isa. 9:6; Dan. 2:44; Zech. 6:12-13
- B. Jesus would "rule upon his throne" and "be a priest upon his throne."
 - 1. "All who heard the words must have understood that they had reference to the 'shoot' of David, the Messiah that was to come, to whom was committed the regal and priestly dignity. Messiah should, like Melchizedek, combine the offices of priest and king" (The Pulpit Commentary, Vol. 14, pg. 59).
 - 2. Jesus as High Priest - Heb. 4:14-16

II. THE KING IS BORN

- A. Luke 1:26-35 - Mary did not know that the child she carried would be King.
- B. John 1:49, 12:12-13 - But when He began his ministry, it was evident He would be King

III. THE KING IS CRUCIFIED

- A. The pinnacle of Jesus' life began when he was arrested and subjected to sham trials - John 18:33-37.
- B. Pilate presented Jesus to the Jews: "Behold your King!" - John 19:14
 - 1. He refused to yield to their rejection of Jesus as their king
 - a. John 19:15, 19, 21-22

IV. THE KING IS ALIVE

- A. Jesus prophesied of His resurrection - Matt. 20:18-19, 28:5-6
- B. Acts 2:30, 3:15

V. THE CORONATION OF THE KING

- A. He prepares to depart for His coronation - Acts 1:3, 9
- B. On the Day of Pentecost, Jesus is on the throne of David - Acts 2:29-33

VI. THE REIGN OF THE KING

- A. Col. 1:13; Rev. 1:5-9
- B. John 18:36 - His reign will be as no other

VII. THE RETURN OF THE KING

- A. Matt. 25:31-34; 2Cor. 5:10
- B. The Judgment will be the end of Jesus' mediatorial reign - 1Cor. 15:24

Conclusion:

- A. Jesus is absolute ruler - Luke 19:14, 27
- B. Many want to view Jesus as Savior and Friend, but not as Lord of lords, and King of Kings, especially in their personal lives.