

Our King Has Come

One King - Two Kingdoms



Lesson 01

Our King Has Come!

John 18:36-38

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Sojourner's Christmas Party

SPEAKING:Christmas:Our King Has Come



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Introduction

- Christmas is a time when we celebrate the birth of our LORD and Saviour Jesus the Christ
 - We celebrate His birth as our newborn King.
- In this lesson we will take a brief look at the Kingship of our LORD Jesus. In particular, we will examine ...
 - Jesus as King of Heaven
 - Jesus as King of the Earth
 - ✓ Both His Millennial and Eternal Reigns
 - ✓ On both the Old Earth and New Earth
- Finally, we will
 - Look at our proper response to Jesus as King and
 - Give opportunity to become part of the Kingdom of God





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IN PILATE'S COURT

JOHN 18:28-38

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³⁸ Pilate said to Him, "What is truth?" And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, "I find no fault in Him at all."

--- John 18:36-38 ... NKJV



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- My Kingdom is not of this world
 - Jesus is speaking with Pilate
 - Pilate has just asked Jesus if He were the "King of the Jews" ... In [verse 33](#)
 - He was expecting a "Yes" or "No" answer
 - Jesus replies that His kingdom is not of this world - it is not from here
 - Pilate is a bit taken back by this statement.

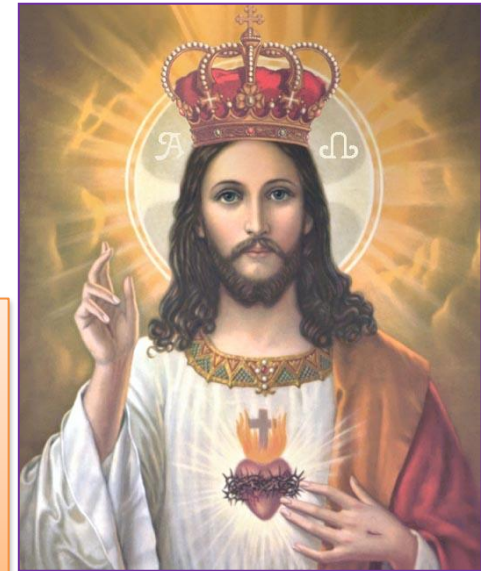


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- My Kingdom is not of this world
 - Note the term “King of the Jews” ... This is the same term used by the wise men when seeking the new-born king ... **Matthew 2:1-2**

2 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “**Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.**” --- **Matthew 2:1-2 ... KNJV**



- Notice Jesus was “**Born** King of the Jews”
 - He did not “**Become** King of the Jews”
 - Did Jesus ever ascend to the throne of David as “King of the Jews”?
 - We will look at the answer to this later.

THE SHORT ANSWER IS
No, NOT YET!

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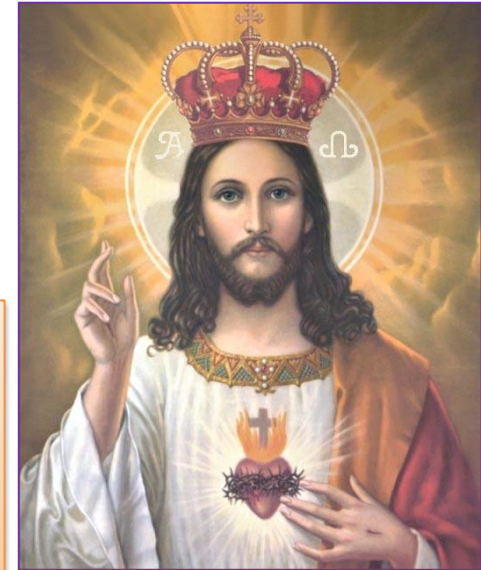
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- My Kingdom is not from here
 - Jesus during His ministry warned on multiple occasions that the Kingdom of Heaven was at hand ... [Matthew 4:17, 23](#)

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the **kingdom of heaven** is at hand."

²³ And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the **gospel of the kingdom**, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

--- [Matthew 4:17,23](#) ... NKJV



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- My Kingdom is not from here
 - Jesus in His model prayer for His disciples speaks of the coming of God's Kingdom
... Matthew 6:9-13

⁹ In this manner, therefore, pray:
Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

¹⁰ **Your kingdom come.**

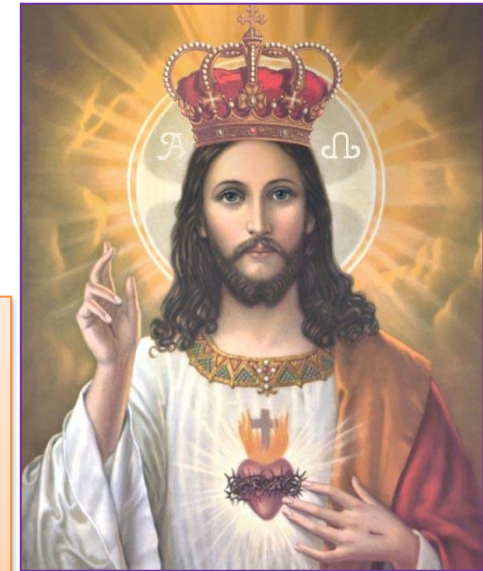
Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread.

¹² And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

¹³ And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the **kingdom** and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

--- Matthew 6:9-13 ... NKJV



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- My Kingdom is not from here
 - Jesus makes the seeking of God's Kingdom a top priority ... [Matthew 6:33](#)

³³ But seek first the **kingdom of God** and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.
--- [Matthew 6:33](#) ... NKJV

ARE YOU SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS
RIGHTEOUSNESS, FIRST IN YOUR LIFE?



Jesus: King of Heaven - The Three Heavens

• Heavens

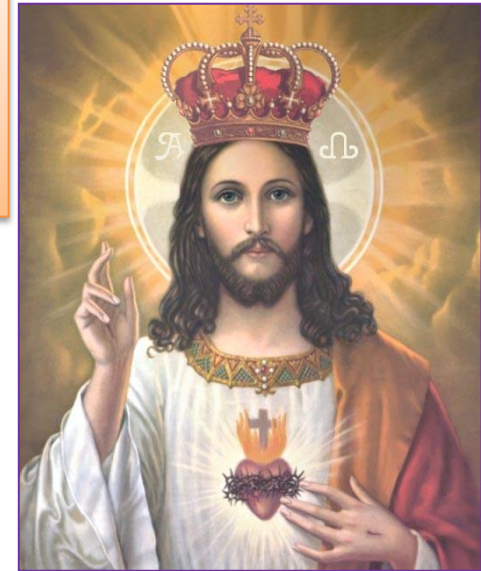
• God created three heavens and one Earth

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the **third heaven**.

--- 2 Corinthians 12:2 ... NKJV

- Satan as a created son of God (*all angels are “sons of God”*), is a prince
- Adam as a created son of God, is a prince
- Adam was delegated the dominion of the Earth, by God, which included the 1st heaven
- Satan usurped Adam’s claim to Earth’s dominion
 - Prince of the power of the air ... Ephesians 2:2
 - Jesus refers to Satan as the “ruler of this world”

- John 12:32, 42
- John 14:30
- John 16:11



in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the **prince of the power of the air**, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

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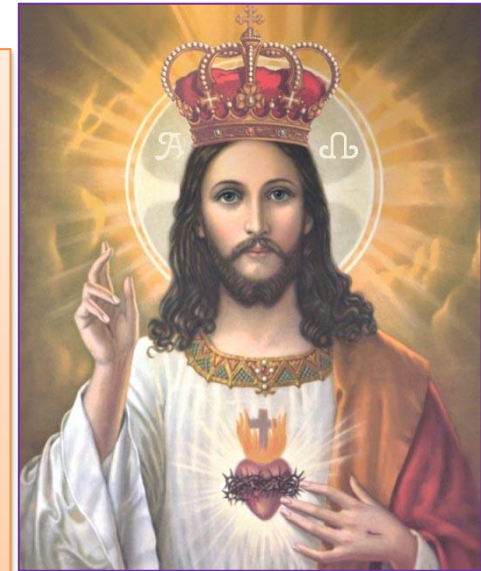
- Heavens

- Jesus as our kinsman redeemer will restore man's claim to **Earth's dominion** - **Revelation 5:1-7**

5 And I saw in the right *hand* of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. **2** Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?" **3** And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.

4 So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. **5** But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."

6 And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. **7** Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. --- **Revelation 5:1-7 ... NKJV**



**GREATEST
ESCROW CLOSING
OF ALL TIME!**

DEED TO THE EARTH.

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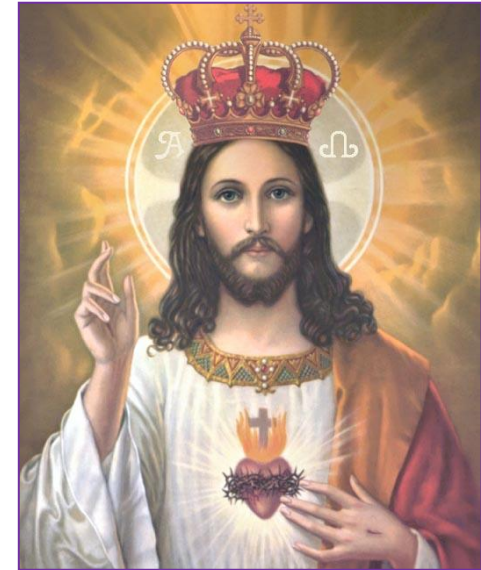
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Jesus: King of the Earth - John 18:37 - OBSERVATIONS

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- Are you a king then?
 - Pilate asks Jesus directly ... Are you a king?
 - Not only does Jesus answer "Yes" to the question, He states that
 - "for this cause I was born"
 - "for this cause I have come into the world"
 - "that I should bear witness to the truth"
 - Jesus was born to be King
 - Jesus came into the world to make known the Father - *bear witness to the truth*
 - Everyone who is of the truth (*saved*) is reconciled to God, redeemed by Christ



Jesus: King of the Earth - Throne of David

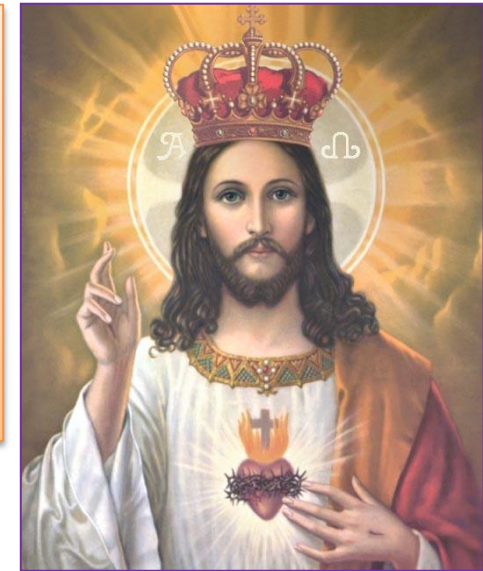
- Throne of David (King of the Jews)
 - The angel's proclamation to Mary ... [Luke 1:30-33](#)

³⁰ Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and **the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.** ³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His **kingdom there will be no end.**"

--- Luke 1:30-33 ... NKJV

- The Micah prophecy ... [Micah 5:2](#)

² "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are little among the thousands of Judah,
Yet out of you shall come forth to Me
 The One to be **Ruler in Israel**,
 Whose goings forth *are* from of old,
 From **everlasting.**" --- Micah 5:2 ... NKJV



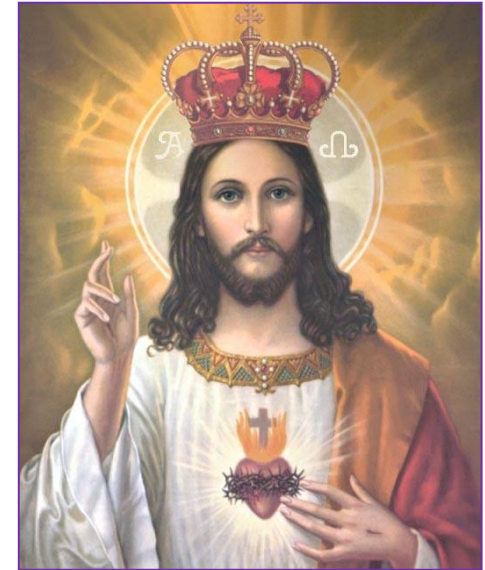
PROPHECY
 CONCERNING
JESUS

Jesus: King of the Earth - Throne of David

- Throne of David (King of the Jews)
 - The Isaiah prophecy ... [Isaiah 9:6-7](#)

⁶ For unto us a Child is born,
 Unto us a Son is given;
 And the government will be upon His shoulder.
 And His name will be called
 Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
⁷ Of the increase of *His* government and peace
There will be no end,
Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom,
 To order it and establish it with judgment and justice
 From that time forward, even **forever**.
 The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

--- [Isaiah 9:6-7](#) ... NKJV



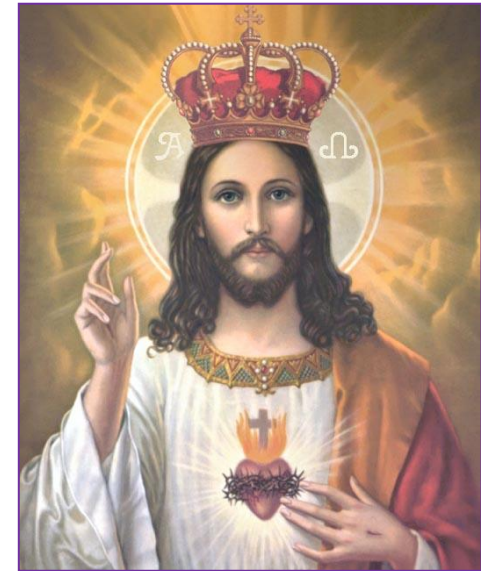
Jesus: King of the Earth - Throne of David

- Throne of David (King of the Jews)

- I return to my earlier question ...

Did Jesus ever ascend to the throne of David as “King of the Jews”?

- No, not yet!
- Jesus will ascend to the Throne of David, as King of the Jews and King of the Earth ...
 - During the Millennial reign of Christ
 - This kingdom will last 1000 years
 - Ultimately upon the creation of the New Heavens and New Earth ([Revelation 21](#))
 - This kingdom will last forever
 - Daniel’s multi-metal statue vision tells of this ultimate kingdom of God as destroying all previous earthly kingdoms in [Daniel 2](#) - *Nebuchadnezzar’s first dream*

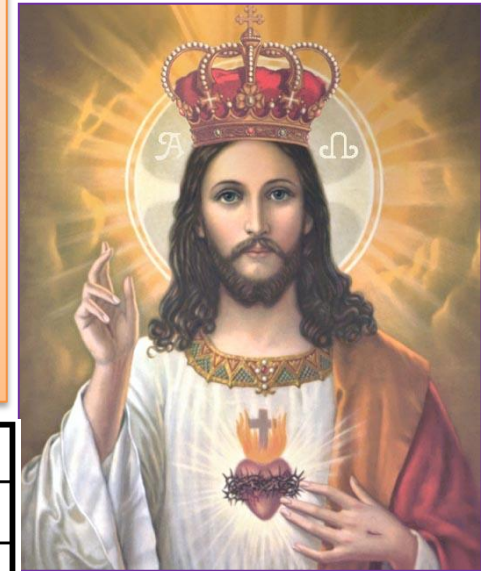


Jesus: King of the Earth - Daniel's Vision

• Kingdom of God - Daniel's Vision

⁴⁴ And in the days of these kings **the God of heaven will set up a kingdom** which shall never be destroyed; and the **kingdom** shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all **these kingdoms**, and **it shall stand forever.** ⁴⁵ Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. **The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure."**

--- Daniel 2:44-45 ... NKJV



Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of the Statue

The materials	Their interpretation
Gold	Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonian Empire
Silver	The Medo-Persian Empire
Bronze	The Greek Empire
Iron	The Roman Empire of the past
Iron and Clay	The Roman Empire immediately before Christ's second coming
Rock	The messianic kingdom of Christ

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Conclusion - Response

■ Application

- As we celebrate the birth of our LORD this Christmas, let us remember that Jesus was born a king, and not just the “King of the Jews”, but ultimately the “King of Kings”.
- Let us remember that as believers, we are children of God.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. ¹¹ He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. ¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: ¹³ who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. --- [John 1:10-13 ... NKJV](#)

- ✓ We are children of the King
- ✓ We are princes and princesses

Conclusion - Response

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- As children of God we are called to serve Him as priests

✓ We are a royal priesthood ... 1 Peter 2:9

⁹ But you *are* a chosen generation, a **royal priesthood**, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; --- 1 Peter 2:9 ... NKJV

- As part of the royal priesthood we have a responsibility to ...

» Proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light

» We are to be Holy (*separated for God's service*) ... 1 Peter 1:16

¹⁶ because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." --- 1 Peter 1:16 ... NKJV

» We are to be ambassadors for Christ ... 2 Corinthians 5:20-21

²⁰ Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore *you* on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. --- 2 Corinthians 5:20-21 ... NKJV

Conclusion - Response

- Application
 - As children of God we have the promise of Heaven
 - Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people
 - ✓ Prepared Place ... [John 14:1-3](#)

14 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

✓ Prepared People ... [John 3:16](#)

16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

--- [John 3:16](#) ... NKJV

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR HEAVEN?

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Invitation: Heaven Prepared for Believers Only

- Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people
- Are you prepared to go? - Bible says you can know for certain
- What do I need to do in order to know for certain I am prepared?
- The answer is easy as A-B-C. ... A-Accept, B-Believe, C-Confess

- **CONFESS:**

- That you are a sinner, in need of God's forgiveness.
- Romans 3:23 ... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

- **BELIEVE:**

- That Jesus is God's son, sent to die for (take away) your sins.
- Romans 6:23 ... For the wages of sin /is death, but the gift of God /is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Romans 5:8 ... But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- **ACCEPT:**

- Jesus' death and resurrection as the sacrifice for your sins, and relinquish control of your life.
- Romans 10:9 ... that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Close in Prayer

- **Sinner's Prayer** .. *{Close our eyes, bow our heads and hearts}*
 - Father I thank-you for who you are, and for what you've done
 - I thank you for sending Jesus to seek and to save us
 - I thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to keep and seal us.
 - I pray now for those who do not know you as Savior and Lord
 - I pray that they would repeat the words of the following prayer with a sincere heart
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- *"Father God, I confess that I am a sinner in need of a Savior*
 - *I believe that You sent Jesus, Your son, to die for me on the cross*
 - *I believe that You raised Him from the dead*
 - *I accept Your offer of pardon for my sins - Your offer of salvation*
 - *I accept You as the Lord of my life - I relinquish control to the Holy Spirit*
 - *I pray that You will challenge me and change me to be more like Your Son and my Savior - Jesus the Christ ... In whose name I pray" --- AMEN*
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- IF you've prayed that prayer for the 1st time THEN welcome to the Family of God
 - Heaven is now prepared for you ... Your Eternity is fixed ... Sealed for all time.

