

Sunday, December 26, 2021

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

Behold the King

Series: Advent 2021 - 4

Text: Micah 5:1 - 15

Purpose: I want to PERSUADE my congregation to BELIEVE in the Kingship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Introduction:

The devotional last week was from Luke 1:1 – 56; 2:29 – 52 and 3:21 - 22 and was entitled "As the Father Sent Jesus"

1. Consider How the Father Sent Jesus
2. Consider How the Father Sends Believers

~ The prophet Micah was a contemporary of the prophet Isaiah and Hosea and wrote in the eighth century BEFORE Jesus Christ. His ministry was concentrated in the southern state of Judah.

~ The name Micah means "Who is like God?" He predicted the collapse of the kingdom of Judah and the city Jerusalem.

~ Micah predates the prophet Daniel!

1. Bethlehem the King is Born:

~ Micah 5:2, "But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days."

~ Slide of mountain tops of prophecy.

~ Micah 5:2 the prophet sees the birth of the King and the Reign of the King.

~ Matthew 2:1 – 3, "Now after Jesus was born in 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 saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

(3) When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him;"

~ In all likelihood this insight of a King to be born came from Daniel centuries earlier!

~ Matthew 2:6 quotes Micah, "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

~ No mention of wise men from the Jews going to see the King. John you need to go daily!

2. Jerusalem the King is Crucified:

~ Mark 11:9 – 10, "And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! (10) Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!""

~ Micah 5:1, "Now muster your troops, O daughter of troops; siege is laid against us; with a rod they strike the judge of Israel on the cheek."

~ Daniel 9:26, "And after the sixty-two weeks, and anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed."

~ Matthew 16:21, "From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."

~ John, it was for your sins that Jesus suffered on the cross!!!

3. Mount Zion the King Returns:

~ Micah 5:4, "And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

~ Slide of Mount Zion

~ Acts 1:6, "So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?""

~ Acts 1:10 – 11, "And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, (11) and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

~ 2 Peter 3:1 - 13

Conclusion:

The King is Coming