

Sunday, December 15, 2024

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

Title: The King Is Coming!

Series: Christmas 2024 ... 2

Text: 1 Chronicles 17:1 - 15

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation that Christ Jesus will literally and physically return to REIGN from a throne in Jerusalem and establish peace on earth.

Introduction:

~ 2 Peter 1:19 – 21, “And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, (20) knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. (21) For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

~ In the devotional last week we considered the literal fulfillment of eight prophecies from the Gospel of Matthew. If the First Advent fulfilled Old Testament prophecies in a literal manner it is reasonable to conclude that the Second Advent will also fulfill Old Testament prophecies in a literal manner.

1. Creator God Delegated Authority:

~ Genesis 1:26 – 28, “Then God said, “let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” (27) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. (28) And God bless them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

~ Summary of Genesis 3 – 11:32; consider Ephesians 2:1 – 3, 1 John 3:10, Romans 8:12 - 25

2. Creator God Makes a Covenant with Abraham:

~ Genesis 12:1 – 3 and Genesis 15:18

~ Genesis 49:10, “The scepter

3. Creator God as King Rejected by Israel:

~ Judges 21:25, “In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.”

~ 1 Samuel 8:7, “And the LORD said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.”

~ Hosea 13:11, “I gave you a king in my anger, and I took him away in my wrath.”

4. Creator God Makes a Covenant With King David:

~ 1 Chronicles 17:1 – 15, (9) “And I will appoint a place for my people and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall waste them no more, as formerly,...(12) He shall build a house for me, and I will establish his throne forever. (13) I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from him who was before you, (14) but I will confirm him in my house and in my kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever.”

5. Christ Jesus the Anticipated King:

~ Matthew 2:1 – 4, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews.”

~ John 12:12 – 13, “the King of Israel.”

~ John 19:19, “Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.”

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

6. Christ Jesus the Soon Coming King:

~ Revelation 1:5 – 6, “and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood (6) and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

~ Revelation 11:15, “Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in Heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.”

~ Revelation 22:6 - 21

Conclusion:

View – The King is Coming

Congregational closing song: Ancient of Days by CityAlight