

Lesson 13: Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be done
Acts, the New Testament and Revelation

TEACHING NOTES

Worship the King

❖ **I Chronicles 29:10-20 / “O Worship the King” (Song)**

Therefore David blessed the Lord in the presence of the assembly. And David said: “Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our Father, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. O Lord our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own. I know, my God, that you test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. O Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep forever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts toward you. Grant to Solomon my son a whole heart that he may keep your commandments, your testimonies, and your statutes, performing all, and that he may build the palace for which I have made provision.”

Then David said to all the assembly, “Bless the Lord your God.” And all the assembly blessed the Lord, the God of their fathers, and bowed their heads and paid homage to the Lord and to the king.

O worship the King
All glorious above
And gratefully sing
His power and His love
Our Shield and Defender
The Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor
And girded with praise

O tell of His might
And sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light
Whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunderclouds form
And dark is His path
On the wings of the storm

The earth with it's store
Of wonders untold
Almighty Thy power
Hath founded of old
Hath stablished it fast
By a changeless decree
And round it hath cast
Like a mantle the sea

Thy bountiful care
What tongue can recite
It breathes in the air
It shines in the light
It streams from the hills
It descends to the plain
And sweetly distills
In the dew and the rain

Frail children of dust
And feeble as frail
In Thee do we trust
Nor find Thee to fail
Thy mercies how tender
How firm to the end
Our Maker Defender
Redeemer and Friend

❖ II Chronicles 7:14

if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

❖ Three obvious applications for us

- **Worship the King** – his way, not on the high places
- **Humble ourselves and Pray** – confess our sins to Jesus who forgives
- **Love and Serve the Lord whole-heartedly** – not as Jaraboam, Solomon, and the Pharisees

Q & A

❖ Is Solomon in Heaven?

- Not told
- Wrong Question:
 - Good in first part of life ‘earn’ heaven
 - Bad in second half of life ‘earn’ hell
- Fruit does indicate heart – but verdict on life is not same as “written in Lamb’s Book of Life” – none good enough, none too bad
- Manasseh example – evil life, repent at end
- Jesus: sheep and goats, some say “did we not do...” but outside for not know him

❖ How can a king be ‘whole-heartedly pursuing God’ and still ‘leave the people worship at the high places’

- Same as above – verdict of evil or good life not mean all evil or good
- Kings are messy – but so is our life
- God does give verdict – and he will for us as well
- But salvation apart from good or evil, and even verdict not mean some part not as good or bad as the rest!
- Goal is both heaven (saved by grace) and “Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant” (whole-hearted, yet not perfect, service to the God who saved us)

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Application – by way of the New Testament

Kingship Principles

Kingdom Principles

Eternal King and Kingdom

Kingship Principles in the New Testament

- Already and Not Yet... The 2 stage Coming of Christ

- Eph. 1: He is seated at the right hand

- II Cor. 5: We are His Ambassadors

- Eph. 1: We are Adopted ... We are Guaranteed the Inheritance

- Eph. 2: We are Seated with Him!

- Mark 3, Mathew 28: All Authority given to us!

Kingdom Principles in the New Testament

❖ Christ: The Kingdom is at Hand (from Mark)

- **The King has Come:** Jesus, the Son of God
- **Kingdom Defined:** Serving people / Sermon on the Mount (Matt)
- **Kingdom Leaders:** Called ones – Disciples
- **Kingdom Stories:** Parables – Those who ask receive
- **Kingdom Residents:** Those who do will of God – Family
- **Kingdom Priority:** Rejected, Suffer, Die, Rise Again
- **Kingdom Sneek Peak:** Transfiguration, Triumphant entry
- **Kingdom Come:** The Lord's Prayer, The Upper Room
- **Kingdom Secured:** Death and Resurrection

❖ Acts: The Kingdom Grows

- **The Kingdom Guaranteed:** the Holy Spirit Comes
- **The Kingdom Proclaimed:** at Pentecost and beyond
- **The Kingdom Grows:** Thousands enter
- **The Kingdom Evidenced:** in homes, in miracles, in selling all to aid others, in martyrdom and in sin's judgment
- **The Kingdom Scattered:** Persecution, scattering
- **The Kingdom Comes in Power:** Paul is converted
- **The Kingdom Expanded:** the Gentiles come in
- **The Kingdom on Mission:** Missionary journeys across the World

❖ Epistles : The Kingdom Defined

- **God has ...**
 - Rescued from kingdom of Darkness into Kingdom of light
 - Once slave to sin, now to righteousness
 - Sin and Death defeated – once for all – by once for all sacrifice
 - Once dead, now alive
 - God's great power raised Christ from dead, seated in heavens, rules over all
 - Christ's great power raise us from the dead, raise to sit in heavenlies!
 - Broke dividing wall, give us God and Hope and Purpose
 - Unite all into one body – each with gifts to build up the body
 - Guarantee home in glory

- **Therefore...**
 - Live as members of the kingdom
 - Don't sin for grace to abound, rather love God and serve him alone
 - With temptation comes a way out – he faced everything we do, without sin
 - When sin, confess and repent, accept Christ's forgiveness
 - Battle not with flesh and blood but with kingdom of the powers of the air...
Satan himself - But Satan has been defeated
 - Focus on the cross of Christ, willing to suffer with him even unto death
 - We are now ambassadors of the King – as making his plea through us
 - Delaying the end so more may come into the kingdom
 - Call to run the race with eyes fixed on Jesus – to finish well
 - World not our home – longing for a world yet to come

○ **“Well Done”** (Optional Song)

[Chorus]

O, when this life is over and I take my final rest;
When I've made my final journey round the sun;
May the angels receive me in the land of the blest;
And may I hear my master say "Well Done".

[V1]

All that I've done, all the battles that I've won,
All that means nothing to me now;
But there's one simple word,
all I hope is to be heard;
When I finally meet my maker, "Well Done".

[V2]

No earthly treasure, and no swiftly passing pleasure,
can bring any joy to me now;
No, my hearts one desire, all my souls eternal fire,
is to hear those blessed words "Well Done".

[Bridge]

All my life's story, all the vain and fleeting glory,
All that has faded for me now;
That one blessed crown, worth more than all the
Worlds renown
shall be mine if I hear "well done"
That one blessed crown, worth more than all the
Worlds renown
shall be mine if I hear "well done"

❖ **Revelation: The Kingdom Consumated**

- **Christ even know judging the churches – will you hold onto first love?**
- **Christ will come – and he will judge the earth**
- **Martyrs and all who suffered for the Gospel will be avenged by God**
- **All will be judged**
- **Unrighteous cast out into eternal fire with devil and his angels**
- **Those written in lambs book of life will be saved**
- **A multitude from every tribe and nation will worship the Lamb**
- **God will establish a perfect, holy kingdom that will dwarf Solomon and all others**
- **New heavens and earth, New bodies**
- **Great gems and diadems, street of gold, crystal sea....**
- **Mansions for us**
- **Crowns for us ... to throw at His feet in worship**
- **Wedding banquet of the Lamb**
- **Throne of David established forever – with Christ on the throne!**
- **Light is the presence of God himself**
- **Eternal worship and praise**

Worship the King

- ❖ **Revelation ...**
- ❖ ***“To The King of Ages”*** (Optional Song)
- ❖ **Revelation ...**
- ❖ ***“Crown Him With Many Crowns”*** (Song)
- ❖ ***“All Hail the Power”*** (Video) – **All Stand**

Worship the King

Revelation 5:1-14

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?” And no one was found in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain ... Then they sang a new song, saying

“Worthy are you to take the scroll and open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom of priests to our God, and they shall reign on earth.”

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wisdom and might and glory and blessing! And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!” And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshipped.

To the King of Ages

To the King of Ages,
Immortal and Invisible,
the only God
To the King of Ages,
Immortal and Invisible,
the only God
Be honor and glory,
forever and ever
Be honor and glory,
forever and ever, amen

Revelation 11:15-19

Later 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.” And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshipped God, saying

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. The nations raged, but your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and the saints, and those who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

Then God’s temple in heaven was opened and the ark of his covenant was seen within the temple. There were flashes of lightening, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

Revelation 11:15-19

And there was what appeared to be a sea of glass mingled with fire – and also those who conquered the beast and its image and the number of its name, standing beside the sea of glass with harps of God in their hands. And they sang the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb saying:

Great and amazing are your deeds, oh Lord God almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

Revelation 19:1-5

After this I heard what seems to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out, “Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for his judgments are true and just; for he has judged the great prostitute who corrupted the earth with her immorality, and has avenged on her the blood of his servants.”

Once more they cried out, “Hallelujah! The smoke from her goes up forever and ever.”

And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying “Amen. Hallelujah!” And from the throne came a voice saying, “Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great.”

Crown Him with many crowns

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for Thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Crown Him the virgin's Son
The God incarnate born
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now His brow adorn
Fruit of the mystic rose
As of that rose the stem
The root whence mercy ever flows
The Babe of Bethlehem

Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Those wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward bend His burning eye
At mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed over the grave
And rose victorious to the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of heaven
One with the Father known
One with the Spirit, through him given
From yonder glorious throne
To Thee be endless praise
For Thou for us hast died
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified

Crown Him the Lord of peace
Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole that wars may cease
And all be prayer and praise
His reign shall know no end
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet

Crown Him the Son of God
Before the worlds began
And ye who tread where He hath trod
Crown Him the Son of Man
Who every grief hath known
That wrings the human breast
And takes and bears them for His own
That all in Him may rest

Crown Him the Lord of heaven
Enthroned in worlds above
Crown Him the King to Whom is given
The wondrous name of Love
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall
Crown Him ye kings with many crowns
For He is King of all

Crown Him the Lord of lords
Who over all doth reign
Who once on earth the incarnate Word
For ransomed sinners slain
Now lives in realms of light
Where saints with angels sing
Their songs before Him day and night
Their God Redeemer King

Crown Him the Lord of years
The Potentate of time
Creator of the rolling spheres
Ineffably sublime
All hail Redeemer hail
For Thou has died for me
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity

Revelation 19-22 (excerpts)

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called faithful and true, and in righteousness he judges and makes war ... On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords...

And I saw a great white throne, and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and the books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done....

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying "Behold the dwelling of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

And he who was seated on the throne said “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But for the coward, the faithless, the detestable, as for murders, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”..

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations...

And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the almighty and the Lamb. The city has no need for sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day – and there will be no night there....

Hallelujah, Praise the Lord, the King of kings and the Lord of lords...

Please stand and join me in this final song of worship

All hail the power of Jesus' name

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

Sinners whose love can never forget
The wormwood and the gall
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all

Let every kindred every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

Crown him ye morning stars of light
Who fixed this earthly ball
Now hail the strength of Israel's might
And crown Him Lord of all
Now hail the strength of Israel's might
And crown Him Lord of all

Revelation 19:6-8

He who testifies to these things says “Surely, I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.