

Supplement to Revelation Outline Section IV

Jesus atonement made it possible for us to have citizenship in heaven once again. The banishment of Gen 3:24 was ended when Christ took his blood into the heavenly sanctuary and made a way for his kingdom to be in heaven. How do we know this? Cherubim were pictured on the veil that protected the Holy of Holies Ex 36:35. This is a picture of Gen 3:24, banishment of Adam. When Christ died, the veil was torn. Jesus restored man's access directly to God. The process began to restore Eden.

Here is the progression of Jesus being made king:

Anointed at his baptism, **Coronated** at the Cross, **Ascended** to the throne in Acts, reigns now over the saints

Consummation is coming at the end of time (Second Coming).

Revelation is the explanation of the time between the ascension and the second coming.

Revelation shows what the earth looks like from heaven between the **Already** kingdom of Jesus' reign and the **Not Yet** consummation of Jesus collecting his people at the end of time.

Ascension of Jesus – Coronation of King in Heaven and the beginning of his reign.

Luke starts his gospel with Jesus descending to earth, then ends with Jesus ascending to Heaven.

Then, in his second book, Luke starts with Jesus Ascending to Heaven, but the descent at the second coming is still in the future. The church age is the time to preach "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is coming".

Acts 1:6-11 From the earthly perspective, Jesus ascends into the clouds, Angels promise he returns

Daniel 7:13-14 From heavenly perspective, Jesus rises to the throne of God. Jesus predicted this during his trial in Luke 22:69.

Daniel 7 is the same event as Acts 1 from a different perspective. This is not a second coming vision. It is Jesus ASCENDING to the throne, not DESCENDING to earth.

Daniel is getting a view of the Messiah that God promised to deliver Israel from Babylonian captivity. In light of Revelation, this is the King delivering his kingdom from captivity in the nations ruled by "beasts": -> Kings who are opposed to God and make war with His kingdom.

The church is where people come to see a physical sign of the reign of Christ and experience his kingdom on earth. If we fail to exhibit these two things, we are failing in our mission.

The Church is called to realize our mission of taking the kingdom to the world so Christ can return and claim it for himself. He is ruling and reigning over all while we do this.

The church is not to build kingdoms on earth. The church is not about worldly political kingdoms. The church will always fail when it tries to create a visible kingdom on the earth. Our commission is to make citizens of the kingdom of heaven.

Christians have been empowered with authority to spread the kingdom on the earth. We are not called to live with our heads down in a ghetto, waiting to be rescued at some future time. Our call is to live boldly, carrying out the mission Jesus our King gave us when he ascended to his throne.