Week 10-Works of Christ- Office of King

Main Idea: Jesus is our great King who rules and reigns over all creation to build His kingdom, govern His people, and to conquer His enemies.

Key Verse: Daniel 7:13-14

I saw in the night visions,
and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.

14 And to him was given dominion
and glory and a kingdom,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,
and his kingdom one
that shall not be destroyed.

Definition of King:

A human being established by God to exercise rule on God's behalf over his kingdom.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Law of Moses

As Moses prepared the nation of Israel to enter and conquer the Promised Land, he explained that God would eventually appoint a king over them. (Deuteronomy 17:14-19)

When you ... have taken possession of it and settled in it ... appoint over you the king the Lord your God chooses. He must be from among your own brothers... The king, moreover, must not acquire great numbers of horses for himself or make the people return to Egypt to get more of them ... He must not take many wives ... He must not accumulate large amounts of silver and gold... [H]e is to write ... a copy of this law ... and he is to read it all the days of his life so that he may learn to revere the Lord his God and follow carefully all the words of this law and these decrees (Deuteronomy 17:14-19).

- a. Chosen by God.
- b. The king had to be an Israelite.
- c. Was to depend on God rather than on human strategies for securing peace and prosperity.
- d. Required to demonstrate covenant fidelity to God by receiving, copying and meditating on God's covenant law.

2. Covenant with David

God established his covenant with David in 2 Samuel 7:8-16. This covenant established David's descendants as Israel's permanent dynasty. God demonstrated great benevolence to David and to Israel by ensuring that David's descendants would reign, and that Israel would enjoy the stability of dynastic succession.

I took you from the pasture and from following the flock to be ruler over my people Israel... Now I will make your name great ... And I will provide a place for my people Israel ... I will also give you rest from all your enemies... I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, who will come from your own body, and I will establish his kingdom... Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever (2 Samuel 7:8-16).

KINGS FUNCTION

A. Justice

- **a. International justice**, enforcing God's law between Israel and other nations. (Psalm 2:6-12).
- b. National Justice-

B. Mercy

a. International Level-(Isaiah 60:1-22 and 66:18-23, Micah 4:1-8, and Zephaniah 2:11)

b. National Level-(2 Samuel 19:18-23)

C. Faithfulness

a. International Level-

(Psalm 72:8-11, and Zechariah 8:20-23)

b. National Level-

(1 Chronicles 15, 16, and 23–28, 1 Kings 9:6-7)

3. OT Prophecies Pointing to future King

a. Son of David-

(Psalm 89, Isaiah 9:7 and 16:5, Jeremiah 23:5 and 33:25-26, and Ezekiel 34:23-24.)

Jesus fulfilled-

(Acts 13:22-23)

b. Son of David would bring freedom and victory-

Jesus Fulfilled-

(Matthew 1:21-23)

c. Establish an everlasting kingdom-

(Isaiah 55:3-13, and Ezekiel 37:24-25)

Fulfilled in Jesus-

(John 18:36, Luke 1:33)

d. Son of David would establish a worldwide kingdom-

(Psalms 2, 68, 72, 110, and 122. Listen to the way Daniel 7:13-14)

Fulfilled in Jesus

(Ephesians 1, Revelations 21 & 22)

4. JESUS KINGLY QUALIFICATIONS

a. Chosen by God

You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end (Luke 1:31-33).

b. Israelite

(Matthew 1, Luke 3, Romans 9:5)

c. Depend on God

Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God. John 13:3

d Loyal to God

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished (Matthew 5:17-18).

e. Son of David

(Matthew 1:1-25, Romans 1:1-3, and Revelation 5:5 and 22:16.

5. FUNCTION

A. Justice

International/Spiritual

If I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you (Matthew 12:28).

National/Israel-

(Matthew 10:15, 11:22-24, and 12:36)

B. Mercy

a. International level-

(Matthew 8:13)

b. National level.-

(Matthew 9:1-7, Mark 2:1-11, and Luke 5:17-25)

C. Faithfulness

a. International/Gentiles-

(Matthew 28:18-20 and Acts 1:8)

b. National level.-

From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near" (Matthew 4:17).

6. Application

BUILDS HIS KINGDOM

GOVERNS HIS PEOPLE

DEFEATS HIS ENEMIES