

SCRIPTURE: Daniel 7:9-18 TITLE: "King Jesus: Son of Man"

Intro: *Stolen Identity.* On Tuesday, **November 22, 2022, Ashley McKinney, 39, of Belleville, Illinois**, was sentenced to 54 months in federal prison for Identity Theft after stealing the identity and savings of an 86-year-old woman from Belleville. *That's what people thought Jesus was doing when He assumed the title: Son of Man. Pharisees hated Him for it. Killed Him for it. Crime! Blasphemy! So what's behind this identity and title of Son of Man? Let's take a look.*

READ/PRAY: Daniel 7:9-18

Thesis: "Jesus as the Son of Man is Coming Back"

I. Prophet of Warning

- A. **Ezekiel** is called "Son of Man" over and over.
- B. ***John 1:50-51*** > He is a Prophet. The Prophet. Under the fig tree? That's nothing.
- C. **Matt. 8:18-20** > Foxes & Birds. Son of Man nowhere to lay His head. Hard life.
- D. ***Luke 17:24-25*** > Suffering & Rejection. **v26-33**. Then like Noah & Lot.

- **ILLUSTRATION: **Ezekiel 4:9-17** 390 days on left side. Protein Bread. Human dung. Ok, Cow.** Just like Ezekiel was a rejected and suffering prophet because He had a message people did not want to hear. *Jesus was a suffering & rejected prophet of warning.*

- **APPLICATION:** Sometimes, you have to hear what you don't want to hear. It doesn't mean you're not loved. It might be because of His mercy and love that you're warned/taught. **"Thin Ice!" "Old Bridge!" "Slippery Rock!"** That's caring. Love. Mercy. Kindness. **Prov. 9:8:** "reprove a wise man, he will love you."

II. Savior of His People

- A. **Mark 10:45** > Son of Man came to serve and give His life as a ransom for many.
- B. ***Luke 5:17-26*** > Son of Man has authority to forgive sins. Because He is God.
- C. ***Mark 14:60-64*** > Trial. Knew exactly the identity He was claiming. God-Man. Messiah.
- D. ****Dan. 10:5-19****, ****Rev. 1:7-18**** > Son of Man is a Divine-Human. A God-Man. Worshiped. But also, He loves His people. Fearful Glory? Yes. Gentle & Loving? Yes.

- **ILLUSTRATION: Who wakes up the King for a glass of water?** Only child, who He loves.

- **APPLICATION: Loved by King.** Thru faith, we can be called children of God. Loved by Him.

III. King & Judge of the World

- A. ***Rev. 19:11-16*** > He's coming back. In righteous judgment. Advent.

- **ILLUSTRATION: *Luke 9:51-55* > James & John. Sons of Thunder.** 'How rude!' "Want us to tell fire to come down from heaven to consume them?" What were they thinking about? **Daniel!** *Jesus's response? Rebuke. Why? Not yet. His first coming was not to condemn. John 3:16-17. They're already condemned. He came to warn and save. But He's coming back to judge/rescue.*

- B. **Matt. 24:29-31** > Judge/Rescue; **Matt. 19:28; 25:31-34** > Reigning with us.

- C. **Rev. 20:9-10** > Fire from heaven against enemies/rescue of His saints.

- D. **Luke 3:15-17** > "One is coming who will baptize with Holy Spirit and Fire."

- **ILLUSTRATION: Deion Sanders.** Been in news a lot. **Colorado Football. Record: 1-11. "I'm Coming."** JSU. *I've got some unfinished business. Go win championship and shortly thereafter, want you to know, I'm Coming. Not to compete, but to win. Not to show up, but to show out. I'm Coming. I'm flat out coming. To restore, to replace, to reenergize. Some of y'all sitting in a seat, ain't gonna have a seat when I get back. I'm Coming. It's gonna be a different place, feel, attitude, energy, want, hunger, desire, need, capacity, reach. I'm Coming. You're starting to know what I'm saying, and I've got the credentials to back it up. I'm Coming. No more mediocrity. I'm Coming. Some of y'all that want it and love it, but are playing beside guys that don't want it and don't even love it; I promise you, it's my job to get rid of them. I'm Coming. If you don't respect this opportunity. I'm Coming. Some of y'all don't think you deserve it or won't get a chance. I'm Coming. God's sending me to be a conduit of change. I'm Coming. Ain't gonna be no more mess that your fans, students and parents have put up with for 2 decades now. I'm Coming. When I get here, it's gonna be change. So I want y'all to get ready. I'm Coming. When they ask you, "What'd he say in the meeting?" I just want you to tell them 2 words, "flat out he just said 'I'm Coming.'"*

- E. **Rev. 22:20** > "Surely, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

- **APPLICATION: We are exiles waiting for our Savior's Advent.** And we will reign with Him. We are more than conquerors through Christ who gives us strength.

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John 1:50-51 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

Luke 17:24-25 For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

Luke 5:20-25 And when he saw their faith, he said, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." And the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" When Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answered them, "Why do you question in your hearts? Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the man who was paralyzed—"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed and go home." And immediately he rose up before them and picked up what he had been lying on and went home, glorifying God.

Mark 14:60-64 And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" And Jesus said, "I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." And the high priest tore his garments and said, "What further witnesses do we need? You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death.

Rev. 19:11-16 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. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Luke 9:51-55 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them.

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