

Sermon Handout

King and Priest

Psalm 110:1-7

I. Introduction

The rule of Christ as Priest/King is established by God (YHWH).

Psalm 110 is a companion to Psalm 2.

Christ reigns as King because he conquered sin & death as Priest.

II. “At my right hand” v. 1a

YHWH is speaking to “David’s Lord” Mt 22:43

Solomon, as YHWH’s representative I Chron 29:23; 28:5

In Ps 110, the true throne in heaven is represented.

The final conquest of God’s enemies is in view v. 2

I Cor 15:25-28; Acts 3:20-21 *cf.* I Kg 5:3; Josh 10:24

III. The meaning of “footstool” v. 1b

OT Is 66:1; I Chron 28:2; Ps 99:5; 132:7; Lam 2:1

NT The earth is his footstool (Is 66:1)

Mt 5:34-35; Acts 7:48-50 (heaven & earth connected)

Citations from Ps 110

Mt 22:44; Mk 12:36; Lk 20:42-43; Acts 2:34-35;

Heb 1:3; 10:13

Atonement leads to Lordship (Ark/Footstool connection)

I Chron 28:2; Ps 132:5, 7-8; Ps 99:1, 5; Heb 10:12-14

The enemy’s realm becomes God’s footstool.

IV. How is the conquest accomplished? vv. 2-7

A “rod of strength” Is 9:4; 10:5,15; 14:5; Ex 7ff; 14:16; Is 10:24-26

“Rule thou” – work of conquest *cf.* Ps 49:14; Num 24:19

“The people are willing” – A voluntary army (Jud 5; II Chron 17:16

“in the day of thy power” *cf.* Acts 1:8; 2:33-36

“in garments of holiness” Lev 16:4

Ex 19:6; I Pet 2:5, 9; Rev 1:6; 19:11-16 (esp. v. 14 “armies”)

cf. Eph 2:5-6 the church “seated in heaven”

This is made possible by Christ being “Priest forever” vv. 4-7

A Priest/King like Melchizedek Gen 14:18-20; Heb 7:14-17