

Sermon Handout

Christ's Exaltation

Isaiah 33:20-22

I. Jesus ascended into heaven Acts 1:9

Two periods of Jesus' redemptive ministry

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Heb 2:14; Phil 2:6-8; Heb 4:14; Phil 2:9; Ps 2:6

In his exaltation, he is seated at the right hand of the Father

Mk 16:19; Ps 110:1, 5; I Cor 15:24-25; Heb 10:12-13 (*cf.* 1:13)

He remains our Prophet, Priest and King.

II. Jesus as reigning King

A King-Priest forever Ps 110:1; Gen 14:18; Heb 5:6, 10; (*cf.* 7:1)

Honored as Potentate, the everlasting King I Tim 1:17; 6:13-16

Rev 15:3; 17:14; 19:11-16 (*see* Eph 1:18-23)

We are to follow righteousness, godliness, etc. I Tim 6:11, 14

He rules and defends us Is 33:22 (Judge, Lawgiver, King)

His law must be our guide John 14:15

His hand will protect us (*cf.* I Cor 15:25-26)

III. Following Jesus – living as vicegerents on earth

Rev 17:14 – “they that are with him”

Rev 19:14 – “the armies in heaven” (*see* Eph 2:4-6)

The sword is his Word (it comes from his mouth)

We are to rule under him in our respective responsibilities

The home – Eph 5:1-2, 21-30; 6:1-4; I Pet 3:1-7

The church

As leaders – I Pet 5:1-4; I Tim 3:1-5, 10-12

As members – I Pet 3:8-12; Gal 6:10 (*cf.* Eph 2:19)

The world – I Pet 2:15-17; Eph 6:5-8

Our rule is to be in love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faith, humility and self-control (fruits of the Spirit) Gal 5:22-23.