



## King January 26, 2020

*And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. Luke 24:27 (ESV)*

At its height, the Old Testament gives us a glimpse in advance of who Jesus is. It gives us the categories of prophet, priest, and king that enable us to comprehend the ministry of the Messiah. In its many depths, the Old Testament shows us repeatedly why no one and nothing other than God himself in human form could possibly be the answer to our deepest need and provide us deliverance from our sins. The prophets, priests, and kings of the Old Testament all failed and fell short, just as we do. They all died without providing a ransom for our sins.

Iain M. Duguid, *Is Jesus in the Old Testament?*

### **The Promise of a Forever King**

Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall. They have throughout history. But God made a promise to King David that his throne and a future kingdom would never end.

[Q] Read the following verses and list the qualities of the coming King and His kingdom:

Isaiah 9:6-7

Psalm 89:20-37

### **We Need a King**

[Q] Of the qualities you listed above, which one do you need the most in your King right now?

[Q] According to Hebrews 12:2-3, how did your King meet your deepest need? How do His actions compare to human kings?

*Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken,  
and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe...*

Hebrews 12:28

## **The Return of the King**

Read Revelation 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. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. <sup>14</sup>And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

[Q] How does this passage impact your worship of Jesus? What are you looking forward to when Jesus consummates His kingdom at His return?

[Q] According to 1 Timothy 6:11–19, what should we be doing until the King returns?

[Q] Last week we looked at Jesus as our great High Priest who sympathizes with our weaknesses and temptations. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. How might viewing Jesus as your great King change your approach to the throne?

*The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David.  
And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!*  
Luke 1:32-33

[Q] How does this study add to your understanding of who Jesus is and what He came to do? How does it affect your love for Him?

## **Pray.**

*My King on the throne, when circumstances cause me to wonder if anyone is in control of what's happening in this world, it is good to know that you are on your throne, and that your throne will last forever. Reign in this world, and reign in my life!*

(Adapted from Nancy Guthrie, *The One Year Book of Discovering Jesus in the Old Testament*)

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