

# **FOR US AND OUR SALVATION**

*An Integrative Study of the Person and Work of Jesus Christ  
Lesson #33 – The Work of Christ – Jesus as King (Part 1)*

## **Overall Review**

### **1) What does the phrase the “Work of Christ” refer to?**

*“In short, it refers to ALL that Christ did when he came to this earth ‘for us and our salvation,’ all that he continues to do now that he risen from the dead and at God’s right hand, and all that he will do when he returns in glory at the end of the age.” – Robert Letham*

### **2) Why should we study the “Work of Christ?”**

*Essentially and simply put, our understanding of the work of Christ affects every aspect of our being. From the way we live our life to the message that we declare about eternal life, a Biblical understanding of the “work of Christ” is absolutely vital.*

### **3) What is the threefold office of Christ?**

*Prophet, Priest, and King*

### **4) What was the role of the Old Testament Prophet?**

*The Prophet was primarily the mouthpiece of God to the People.*

### **5) What was the role of the Old Testament Priest?**

*The Priest was primarily the representative of the People to God.*

### **6) What are the six aspects of Jesus’ priestly ministry that we have considered in the last three lessons?**

- *Jesus’ special relationship to the temple, where the High Priest worked, enabled him to transcend it.*
- *Jesus’ intercession is a prominent feature of his entire ministry.*
- *Jesus’ death was seen as the shedding of new covenant blood, which fulfilled the ultimate purpose of the death of the Passover lamb.*
- *Jesus pronounced benedictions over His disciples.*
- *The Sinlessness of Jesus is stressed clearly and consistently throughout the New Testament.*
- *Jesus constantly makes intercession for his people at the right hand of God. Jesus is presented as our advocate, the one mediator between God and men.*

### **7) How is Jesus a True Priest?**

*Jesus Christ is the True Priest according to the eternally superior priesthood of Melchizedek.*

## Lesson #33 – The Work of Christ – Jesus as King (Part 1)

### I. Preliminary Questions

- **What was the Role of the Old Testament King?**

*The King was primarily the ruler over the People of God.*

- **How is creation related to our understanding the role of a king?**

*Creation establishes man as being created in the image of God, which entails reflection of God's character and earthly dominion.*

***Genesis 1:26-28** – Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them.<sup>28</sup> And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”*

### II. The Kingship of Christ

- **Two Aspects of Kingships**
  - **Intrinsic Kingship**
  - **Mediatorial Kingship**
- **What is the Intrinsic Kingship of Christ?**

*Intrinsic Kingship refers to the power and right that belongs to Christ by virtue of who he is as the eternal Word and Son of God.*

- **John 1:1-3** - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.<sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God.<sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.
- **Philippians 2:5-7** -<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,<sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,<sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.
- **Hebrews 1:1-3a** - Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,<sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.<sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

- **What is the Mediatorial Kingship of Christ?**

*Mediatorial Kingship refers to the power and right that belongs to Christ, by virtue of what He has done, to rule all things in heaven and on earth, for the glory of God, and for the execution of God's purpose of salvation.*

- **Philippians 2:8-11** - <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
- **Matthew 28:18-20** - <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
- **Ephesians 1:15-23** - For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.