Our King Came to Save His People

Hebrews 2:9-18

Luke 2:1-11 Philippians 2:1-11

Lie #18 - Easy Believism - Part 2

First or Second Advent

What Do We Mean When We Call Christ King?

- Appointed by God to be King. (Psalm 2:6)
- He is not only a King but He is the King of kings. (Prov 21:1; Rev 17:17)
- He is the MOST HIGH SOVEREIGN. (Daniel 5:18-20)
- His WORD is the LAW of His Kingdom. (John 1:1, 14)
- ALL creatures of His kingdom exists to serve Him. (Heb 12:28; Col 1:15-17)
- The heavens, the Earth, and all that is in them belong to Christ. (Job 41:11)

What We Are to Call Our King (Isaiah 9:6-7)

- WONDERFUL Full of wonders. (Genesis 18:14; Jeremiah 32:17)
- COUNSELOR He does not advise; He commands. He is all wise therefore we must learn from Him. (Matthew 11:28-30)
- MIGHTY GOD the ALMIGHTY GOD came to do for His people what was impossible for them to do for themselves. (Luke 18:26-27)
- EVERLASTING FATHER Eternal Originator of all things. (John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:15-17; Hebrews 1:2-3)
- PRINCE of PEACE He came to PROPITIATE God's anger toward us and in so doing we now have peace with God. (1 John 4:10)
- IMMANUEL GOD WITH US! (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23)
- LORD (Acts 10:36; Philippians 2:11; Revelation 19:16)

The King Left Heaven (Philippians 2:5-8)

- MEDITATE WHAT THIS MEANS!
- He made Himself of NO REPUTATION! Meditate!
- He came as a BOND SERVANT. (Matthew 20:28) Meditate!
- He came as a MAN.
 - → THIS is why we call our King WONDERFUL.
 - → What is man? (Isaiah 40:15, 17; Psalm 8:4)



- → We are PASSIVE in becoming flesh and blood.
- → Christ was ACTIVE in that He took hold of flesh and blood. (Hebrews 2:14)
- → We had NO CHOICE; Christ CHOSE to become man for our sake!
- He HUMBLED HIMSELF. Meditate! THIS is what humility looks like!!!!
 - ➤ It is SELF-DENIAL demonstrated! (Luke 9:23)
 - ➤ He emptied Himself of all advantage and privilege as **being** God.
 - ➤ The Creator/Owner of the Universe gave up everything! (See Luke 14:33)
 - ➤ The Lawgiver made under the Law. (Galatians 4:4-5)
- He was OBEDIENT to the will of the Father. (John 4:34; 5:30; 6:38-40; Psalm 40:7-8; Hebrews 10:7-9)
 - ➤ This is what SUBMISSION looks like!
 - ➤ Though tempted just we are He sinned not against His Father. (Heb 4:15)
- He was OBEDIENT and accepted a CRIMINAL's punishment. (Isaiah 53:10) He was NOT a victim of the Cross - He was the Lord of the Cross! Meditate on John 10:17-18.
- Are we imitating Christ? How far short are we falling? Does it bother us? (1 Corinthians 11:1; 1 John 2:6)
- READ Philippians 2:5. Do we have the same attitude?

The King Came to Earth (Luke 2:1-11; Matthew 2:1-11; Hebrews 2:14)

- ➤ MEDITATE! Where is the awe? Where is the JOY! (Luke 10:20)
- GREAT JOY!!! We sing "Joy to the World" but do we understand the verses!
- Matthew 1:21-22 Immanuel God with Us!! Doctrine of Incarnation!
- The wonders of the incarnation! (Hebrews 2:14)
 - ➤ The Mighty God taking upon Himself human nature for His people. (Hebrews 2:14; 1 Timothy 3:16; John 1:1, 14)
 - ➤ The Creator becoming like a creature (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16-17).
 - ➤ The Infinite becoming finite. He was born and He died.
 - ➤ The Everlasting Father becoming a helpless baby.
 - ➤ The Wonderful becoming like others! (Isaiah 53:2)
 - ➤ The Counselor growing is wisdom (Luke 2:40, 52)
 - ➤ The Prince of Peace walking among His enemies (Romans 5:10).
 - ➤ The Majestic King of kings made Himself of NO REPUTATION.
 - ➤ The Lawgiver made under the Law!!!!!! The sovereign KING accountable to the LAW!
 - ➤ GOD WITH US!
 - ➤ This is a **GREAT MYSTERY!** (1 Timothy 3:16)
- · Handout: Christ Came to Earth

Do We See Jesus? (Hebrews 2:9)

➤ The man JESUS!

- "made a little lower than angels"
 - → Angels who worship Him day and night. (Hebrews 1:6)
 - → Do we see how much lower? He became a man????!!!!!!
 - → He became a "worm" for us! (Psalm 22:6)
 - → He became "less than less than nothing". (Isaiah 40:15, 17)
- ➤ Substitution He came to "taste" death for every one.
 - → He did nothing deserving death.
 - → He did nothing deserving suffering the wrath of God.
 - → We deserve eternal death for our many sins.
 - → We deserve to have God's wrath upon us! (John 3:36)
- ★ Who are the every one? CONTEXT CONTEXT CONTEXT

"It Was Fitting" (Hebrews 2:10)

- MEDITATE
- "for whom are all things and by whom are all things" (Prov 16:4; Romans 11:36; Revelation 4:11)
- IT WAS FITTING FOR HIM TO SUFFER FOR THE SAKE OF GOD'S ETERNAL PURPOSE for His people.
- God ordained from before the beginning of time that His Christ would come into the world to suffering and die. (1 Peter 1:18-20; Acts 2:23; 4:28)
- IT PLEASED GOD TO CRUCIFY HIS SON (Isaiah 53:10).
- ★ "in bringing many sons to glory" NOT "that many might come".
- ★ BROUGHT to GLORY 1 Peter 3:18: Isaiah 42:16.
- ★ He came as KINSMAN-REDEEMER. He came for His own His brethren. (Matthew 1:21; Hebrews 2:12-13)

Christ Became One with Us (Hebrews 2:11-13)

- He who sanctifies (our King, Christ) and those who are *being* sanctified are ONE!
 - ➤ He makes us HOLY. The righteousness of Christ has been imputed unto our account in heaven! (Romans 5:17 - the gift) See Hebrews 10:14.
- We ARE ONE with Christ. See John 17:11, 21 and prayer for eternal security.
- MEDITATE: Christ, the Son of God, is not ashamed to call us sinners brethren!
- Because of the work of our King we are now Christ's brothers, the children of God, heirs of God! We are obligated to live accordingly! (Romans 8:16-17)

Why Did He Become Man? (Hebrews 2:14-15)

- ➤ He was born so that He might die to . . .
 - (v. 14) Destroy the work of the devil. (1 John 3:8)
 - ➤ See Matthew 12:29; Luke 11:21-22. Christ does not knock! He opens hearts! (Acts 16:14)
 - ➤ HOW: By giving His people the gift of ETERNAL LIFE. (Rom 6:23)

Because HIS PEOPLE were sinners He came to "release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage" He came to set His people FREE. (v. 15; Matt 1:21; John 8:31-36; Rom 6:14;)

For Whom Did the King Come? (Hebrews 2:16)

- "He does not take hold to angels"
 - He did not become an angel to save the fallen angels (in contrast to the "elect angels" (1 Timothy 5:21)!
 - The fallen angels are **RESERVED** to judgment (Jude 6) and have no saviour (2 Peter 2:4) There is **NO HOPE** for a fallen angel.
- WHY MAN and NOT ANGELS? Is there a difference in sin? MEDITATE!
- "He does *take hold*. . ." ἐπιλαμβάνομαι "to lay hold of"; "to seize upon anything with the hand"; "to rescue one from danger"
- He does not lay hold of angels or the sons of Adam!!!! Meditate on this!
- He came to rescue (deliberately to take hold of) "the sons of Abraham"
 - Abraham is the "father of all who believe" and his "sons" are sons of promise who are <u>given</u> faith! (Romans 4:12, 16; Galatians 3:7, 16; John 8:39; Romans 9:8; Titus 1:1-3)

He Came to Propitiate God's Anger at Us! (Hebrews 2:17)

• Only a perfect sacrifice could achieve this!

What Did He Accomplish in Becoming a Worm for us?

- He came to fulfill the Father's will. (Psalm 40:7-8; John 4:34; 6:38)
- He became our SUBSTITUTE (v. 9) He took our place in living a perfect life for us and dving for us.
- He became the CAPTAIN or AUTHOR of His people's salvation (v. 10)
 - → NOTE CAREFULLY Hebrews 5:9!
- He became the SANCTIFIER of His people (vv. 11-13)
- He came to SET His people FREE (vv. 14-15)

Why Worship the King

- He, GOD, left heaven! (John 1:1, 14)
- He, GOD, came to earth as a man. (Philippians 2:7-8; 1 Timothy 3:16)
- He, GOD, came to do the will of the Father to live and die for all that the Father gave Him in eternity past. (John 6:38-40)
- He, GOD, came to suffer in our place. (Hebrews 2:10)
- He, GOD, came to destroy the work of the devil by dying for us and giving us the GIFT qualifying us for ETERNAL LIFE and HIS righteousness. (Romans 6:23; 5:17)
- He, GOD, came to bring us to Himself! Meditate on Psalm 73:25-26.