

If Jesus Isn't Reigning As King, What's He Doing?

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Acts 1:6-11 (ESV)

“So when they had come together, they asked Him, ‘Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’ (7) He said to them, ‘It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority. (8) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.’

Acts 1:6-11 (ESV)

(9) And when He had said these things, as they were looking on, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight.

(10) And while they were gazing into heaven as He went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, (11) and said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw Him go into heaven.’”

“She gave birth to a male Child, One who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her Child was caught up to God and to His throne”



“The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with Me on My throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on His throne.”



Dan. 9:25-26 (ESV)

“Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an Anointed One, a Prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. (26) And after the sixty-two weeks, an Anointed One shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the Prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary...”

3 Roles (Offices) of Jesus in the Bible

PROPHET (first coming)

Matt. 4:17, “From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.’”

HIGH PRIEST (now; ‘present session’)

Heb. 8:1, “...we have such a High Priest, One who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven”

KING (second coming)

Matt. 25:31, “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.”

WHAT IS JESUS DOING NOW?

1. HOLDS all things together // Col. 1:16-17
2. HEAD of His church // Eph. 1:22-23
3. GROOM of His church // Eph. 5:32
4. BUILDING His church // Matt. 16:18
5. Gives SPIRITUAL GIFTS // Eph. 4:7-8; 1 Cor. 12:7
6. HIGH PRIEST after Melchizedek // Heb. 6:20

WHAT IS JESUS DOING NOW?

7. KEEPS His people // John 10:27-29; 1 Pet. 1:5
8. INTERCEDES for us // Rom. 8:34; Heb. 7:25
9. RESTORES broken fellowship // 1 John 1:9
10. DEFENDS His people // Heb. 9:24
11. PREPARES a place for us // John 14:1-3

“For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. (17)And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.”



“And He put all things under His feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church, (23) which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.”



Matt. 16:18 (ESV)

“And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

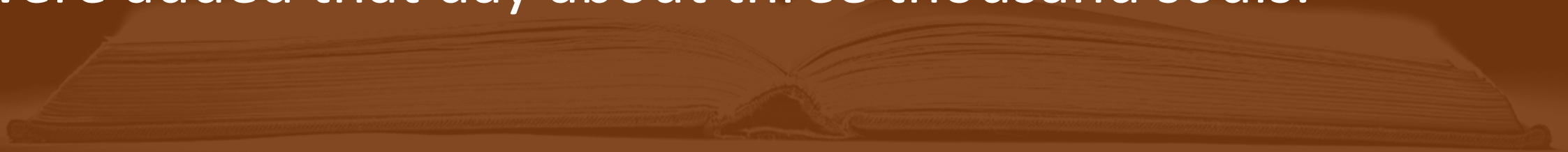


Acts 1:15 (ESV)

“In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120)...”

Acts 2:41 (ESV)

“So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.”



Acts 4:4 (ESV)

“But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.”

Acts 5:14 (ESV)

“And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women”




Acts 8:25 (ESV)

“Now when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.”

Acts 8:40 (ESV)

“But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.”



Acts 17:6 (ESV)

“And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, ‘These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also’...”



Eph. 4:7-8 (ESV)

“But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. (8)Therefore it says, ‘When He ascended on high He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men.’”



John 10:27-29 (ESV)

“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. (28)I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of My hand. (29)My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand.”



1 Pet. 1:5 (ESV)

“[we] who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

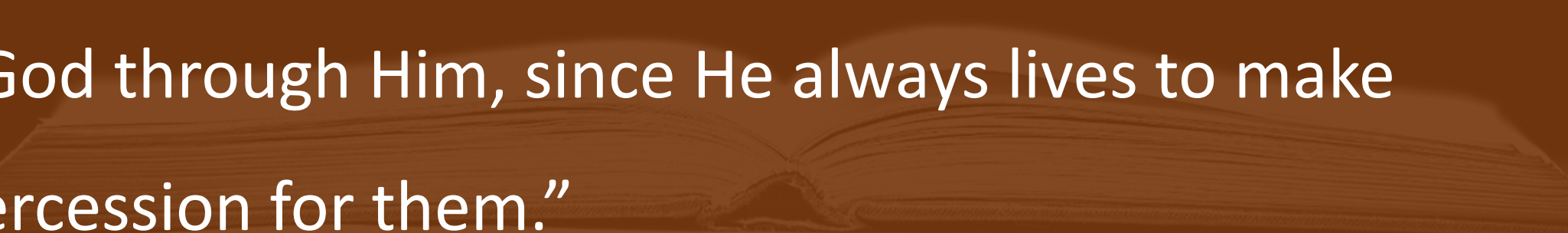


Rom. 8:34 (ESV)

“Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the One who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.”

Heb. 7:25 (ESV)

“...He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.”



Heb. 9:24 (ESV)

“For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.”




1 John 1:9 (ESV)

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

1 John 2:1 (ESV)

“My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”



John 14:1-3 (ESV)

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me. (2)In My Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? (3)And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.”



“...He sat down at the right hand of God, (13)waiting from that time until His enemies should be made a footstool for His feet.”



“Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, ‘The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever.’”

