

## **Message# 257 9-17-2023 - If We had Just Known what this Meaneth**

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Good morning everyone. Thank you for tuning into the message this morning.

If you've been listening to me for any amount of time - and of course - if you've been listening for a long time - you know that the message of the present day reality of the Kingdom of God is not popular. For the life of me, I have no idea why it isn't. It's the greatest news, offers the greatest amount of hope, offers the greatest amount of freedom and prosperity that men can be offered - but for some strange reason - it seems like most people find more comfort in people like Joe Biden, Donald Trump, Vladimir Putin, Justin Trudeau - people like that. It's just so strange that people would prefer these types of people - as opposed to the greatest Ruler the world has ever known - which - by the way - happens to be the Creator of the World and all that's in it - as well.

People actually prefer slimy politicians, liars, adulterers, drug addicts, etc., instead of Jesus Christ Who is just standing there waiting for people to accept His absolutely flawless, totally perfect, totally just, totally honest form of Government over their lives.

And why is this? Why is it that people prefer their “governments” - no matter what form it is - instead of the altogether Perfect Government of King Jesus?

It really isn't that hard to find the answer. It is because people have been taught that the despicable doctrine of the divine right of kings is still in existence today. And, because of sold-out to men's “governments” “preachers” have taken that despicable doctrine and have transferred it from where it originated - the divine right of kings - they have transferred it in the minds of people to - not just kings - after all - the U.S. doesn't have a “king” - but now - that doctrine has been transferred to anyone who happens to stake a claim to being “someone in authority.”

Listen to this. This came out this past week. From Business Insider, written by Rebecca Cohen:

<https://www.businessinsider.com/desantis-board-strips-disney-employees-perks-pastor-dont-resist-authority-2023-9#:~:text=A%20pastor%20invited%20to%20DeSantis'%20Central%20Florida%20Tourism%20Oversight%20District's,for>

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*A pastor invited to DeSantis' Disney board meeting quoted the Bible telling people not to 'resist authority' as it strips workers' park perks*

*A pastor invited to DeSantis' Central Florida Tourism Oversight District's meeting told attendees not to "resist authority."*

*The pastor read from the Bible as the board discussed stripping park perks for Disney workers and retirees.*

*Firefighters — who once backed the DeSantis takeover — are among those furious about the changes.*

*A Florida board picked by Gov. Ron DeSantis to run the area around Disney World defended stripping park employees of their perks — moments after a pastor invited to speak urged attendees not to "resist authority."*

*After a lengthy introduction, Pastor David Netzorg — who founded Emmaus Church in Winter Garden, Florida in 2011 — took the podium to start the board meeting on Wednesday night, said government work is "a calling" and government employees "actually work for God."*

*He then read a passage from Romans 13: "Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except from God," the passage began. "And those which exist are established by God. Therefore, whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves."*

*"So we're to obey the police, firefighters, government, all of those in authority" Netzorg offered as commentary.*

*The new board governing the land that belongs to Disney World had decided to strip the workers of previously guaranteed perks.*

*Last month, the Central Florida Tourism Oversight District board revoked all of the land's firefighters' free passes to the Disney parks and resorts. First responders told the Miami Times this made visits to the theme park unaffordable.*

Let me just look through and see if anything is pertinent - beyond the “preacher” telling everyone to obey the “government” or they will go to hell. Skip to the end.

*"The removal of this benefit takes away, for some, their entire reason for working here," a firefighter named Pete Simon told the Miami Times.*

*The Disney firefighters' union actually once backed the new board, rebranded from the longstanding Reedy Creek Improvement District, but now opposes it because of this move.*

*At last month's meeting, a number of members of the union confronted DeSantis' board about the change to their perks, noting that they were a major factor in choosing to work for Disney.*

*DeSantis has feuded with Disney since the entertainment megacorporation voiced opposition to an education bill dubbed by critics as "Don't Say Gay," which restricted what students could hear about gender identity.*

*DeSantis and Florida's GOP-led legislature responded by cutting Disney's special tax status around its massive theme parks and DeSantis appointed a new board to oversee the area.*

*Disney responded with a lawsuit, and while DeSantis said he's since "moved on" from the fight, Disney is not backing down. End quote.*

And of course, we know this to be pure garbage. But this is exactly what I'm trying to tell people. The despicable doctrine of the divine right of kings - which says that you are to obey the kings - because God said so - and if you don't - you are going to be burn in hell for all of eternity - the wicked, lying, deceiving U.S. 501(c)(3) “government” “mouthpiece preachers” - look at what the article said. DeSantis called this meeting. The first thing he did was have this false, lying, wicked, evil “preacher” open the meeting by telling the people there that they were to obey the “government” because God said so - and if they don't they are going to be cast into hell to burn forever.

This is exactly what I've been trying to get people to see for almost 40 years now.

The doctrine of the divine right of kings transfers to anything that men believe to be “authority” over them.

I have often thought to myself. What red-blooded, sane, rational man or woman, would allow someone they've never met, never seen in person, never talked to face-to-face, they live 1200 miles away - what red-blooded, sane, rational man or woman would allow someone like that to tell them what they can and cannot do, how to live their lives? That is the craziest thing I've ever heard.

You would allow a known pervert, a known pedophile, a known adulterer, a politician, and someone that you've never even spoken to - someone you've never even been in the same room with - and you would allow that person - or group of people to "pass laws" that tell you what you can and cannot do with your own life? That is craziness.

But it happens. It has happened for hundreds, thousands of years. Why? There is only one reason why. And it covers every single person who allows it, whether they are the staunchest churchian in the community - or whether they are the staunchest satanist' atheist in the community. They allow it because they believe God told them that's the way it is - or else.

Say to me, "Not the atheist, not the satanist, they don't believe that." Baloney.

How many times have you been in a conversation with someone - someone you know that wouldn't know Malachi from Micah or Micah from Matthew, wouldn't know First Corinthians from "1 Corinthians" - wouldn't know "amen" from "amen and awoman" - you know they don't know a thing about the Bible - but as soon as you talk about not submitting to men's "governments" - what's the first thing the atheist will say to you? "Well, Jesus said Render unto Caesar." Then, the one who might know a little more Bible or have heard a little more Bible from the wicked 501(c)(3) government mouthpiece - they'll spout out - "God said obey the laws of the land, God said obey the 'powers that be."

It always comes back to "God said so." Doesn't matter whether you are talking to a churchian or you are talking to a non-churchian - their answer will always be - "God said so."

The despicable doctrine of the divine right of kings is what makes their world go 'round.

And it is the pure, righteous, perfect doctrine of Christianity - that Jesus Christ is King of kings and Lord of lords - and He is the last of the kings - the last of the lords that God allows for His Creation - that seeks to turn the world upside down - preaching, "Another

King, One Jesus.”

I Peter chapter 2 is not about Peter receiving a message from God - that says - “You Christians are to obey Caesar, because obeying Caesar is the same as obeying God.”

And just like I have told you a hundred times before, if that's what that means - there would have been no Christian anywhere in the Roman empire that would have been persecuted by a Caesar. If Christians were preaching submission to Rome, you would have seen the exact same scenario in Rome - where a Caesar would have brought Peter, or James, or John, or Paul to their board meetings and would have them open their board meetings by preaching a message that God said obey the “government” or you will burn in hell. “Obey the Caesars, or you'll burn in hell.”

But that is not what happened and any thinking, rational person, knows that's not what happened. The early Christians understood the Gospel of the Kingdom of Christ. They understood that all of Israel's history is about kings. In fact, the entire history of the Bible is about kings and people's relation to them. It's all about kings. It's all about government. And ultimately, it's all about Jesus Christ being sent to this earth to become the King of kings, the Lord of lords - and most importantly - the Last of the kings, the Last of the lords - that the Creator allows for His Creation.

At some point - I've been thinking about this for quite a while, we are going to begin a series where I prove this to you, what I'm saying about all the history begin about kings. But for today, I want you to listen intently as I give a brief overview - just barely touch the tip of what this series will be about someday - of what that series will be about. I am going to read you a ton of Scriptures. I'm going to do it quickly, so you won't be able to follow. You can get the transcript later to see these passages.

Genesis chapter 10 is the first time we find king or kingdom in our Bible, verses 8-10:

[8] And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

[9] He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

[10] And the beginning of his **kingdom** was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

Genesis 14:

[1] And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel **king** of Shinar, Arioch **king** of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer **king** of Elam, and Tidal **king** of nations;  
[2] That these made war with Bera **king** of Sodom, and with Birsha **king** of Gomorrah, Shinab **king** of Admah, and Shemeber **king** of Zeboiim, and the **king** of Bela, which is Zoar.  
[5] And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the **kings** that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim,  
[8] And there went out the **king** of Sodom, and the **king** of Gomorrah, and the **king** of Admah, and the **king** of Zeboiim, and the **king** of Bela (the same is Zoar;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim;  
[9] With Chedorlaomer the **king** of Elam, and with Tidal **king** of nations, and Amraphel **king** of Shinar, and Arioch **king** of Ellasar; four **kings** with five.  
[10] And the vale of Siddim was full of slimepits; and the **kings** of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.  
[17] And the **king** of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the **kings** that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the **king's** dale.  
[18] And Melchizedek **king** of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.  
[21] And the **king** of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself.  
[22] And Abram said to the **king** of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,

Genesis 17, of Abraham:

[6] And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and **kings** shall come out of thee.  
[16] And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; **kings** of people shall be of her.

Genesis 20, Abraham interacting with a king:

[2] And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister: and Abimelech **king** of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.  
[9] Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on

my **kingdom** a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.

Genesis 26:

[1] And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech **king** of the Philistines unto Gerar.

[8] And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech **king** of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.

In the Greek, from Homer down; properly, to play like a child; then universally, to play, sport, jest; to give way to hilarity, especially by joking, singing, dancing;

It's a good thing to do with your wife.

Genesis 35, speaking to Jacob Israel:

[10] And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and He called his name Israel.

[11] And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and **kings** shall come out of thy loins;

Listen to this one, from Genesis 36:

[30] Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

[31] And these are the **kings** that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any **king** over the children of Israel.

I'm telling you - that little phrase

before there reigned any **king** over the children of Israel.

is huge. It has tremendous meaning and we need to understand the history and the interaction between Israel and the kings of the earth. There was a time in the history of Israel - there was no earthly king that reigned over them. The Bible is a book about the

kings that reigned over Israel - before and after. The good, the bad, the ugly, all of it. It's about God's Creation interacting with kings.

Genesis 39:

[20] And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the **king's** prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

Genesis chapter 40:

[1] And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the **king** of Egypt and his baker had offended their lord the **king** of Egypt.

[5] And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the **king** of Egypt, which were bound in the prison.

Chapter 41:

[46] And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh **king** of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

Exodus chapter 1:

[8] Now there arose up a new **king** over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

[15] And the **king** of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:

[17] But the midwives feared God, and did not as the **king** of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men children alive.

[18] And the **king** of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?

Exodus chapter 2:

And it came to pass in process of time, that the **king** of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.



### Exodus chapter 3:

[18] And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the **king** of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

[19] And I am sure that the **king** of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by a mighty hand.

### Exodus 5:

[4] And the **king** of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.

### Chapter 6:

[11] Go in, speak unto Pharaoh **king** of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.

[13] And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh **king** of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

[27] These are they which spake to Pharaoh **king** of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron.

[29] That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I am the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh **king** of Egypt all that I say unto thee.

Kings, kings, kings, they are all over the history of Israel.

### Chapter 14:

[5] And it was told the **king** of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?

[8] And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh **king** of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.

Turn to Exodus chapter 19. This one we need to see today, all of us need to see this. This is after the children of Israel have left Egypt. God is speaking to Moses explaining

His plan for His children, Israel:

[1] In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.

[2] For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

[3] And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

[4] Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto Myself.

Listen now.

[5] Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

[6] And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

We need to understand that this was said to Israel - remember what we just read from Genesis 26

before there reigned any **king** over the children of Israel.

This is the Plan of God. This is the Will of God for every man, woman, boy and girl that claims to be a follower of the God of the Bible. Friends, if verses 5 and 6 do not make your hair stand up straight on the back of your necks - then stop shaving your necks or something. These verses give me chills every single time I read them. They bring me a place of utter and complete pause, mesmerized, almost in a trance, incapacitated at the thought of what this means and how this applies to us today. Once again, take your Bibles and turn to I Peter chapter 2. If we can't see how the Will of God found in Exodus 19 ties to I Peter chapter 2 - then we're just dumb. I don't know what else to say. I don't know how God can show us these things any plainer, or any clearer. Begin in verse 1:

[1] Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

[2] As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

[3] If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

[4] To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

[5] Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

[6] Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

[7] Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

[8] And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

[9] But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light:

[10] Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

Turn back to Exodus 19 again. Burn verses 5 and 6 into your minds. You are reading what the Will of God is for His Creation. You are seeing what MY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. You are seeing it right here.

[5] Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

[6] And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Read it again, please:

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[6] And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Now, read it one more time, please.

[5] Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then

ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is Mine:  
[6] And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Now go back to I Peter chapter 2 and verses 9 and 10:

[9] But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light:

[10] Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

So does anyone still want to read the rest of I Peter chapter 2 and try to say that it's about obeying the Caesars? I don't know how this can be any clearer. I Peter chapter 2 is the fulfillment of Exodus chapter 19 - to who? To those people that had accepted Jesus Christ as the chief cornerstone. To those people who understood the history of Israel and how important their interactions with kings were. To those people who understood the history of Israel how that God had promised a Perfect King, a Perfect Government, a Perfect Ruler that would come from Juda and would sit on David's throne - oh my - this is so overwhelming. I'm just about to quit the message for today and let these verses sink in.

The history of Israel about kings - and Jesus Christ was sent to be the final king that God allows for Israel. This is so clear. It's so plain. Why in the world is everyone and everything being king over God's Creation - everyone and everything - except for the Only One Who is King today - and that is His Son - Jesus Christ. The whole world submits to everyone and everything - except for the Only One that has the Right to Rule.

Go back to Exodus 19 and look at verse 5 again.

[5] Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then [WORD FOR WORD AGAIN FROM I PETER CHAPTER 2] ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

[6] And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

For all the earth is mine.

It's past time that God's people quit giving God's earth to the wicked. They do not own the earth or anything in it. God's owns it. And it is for those who have allowed His reign in their lives. For those who have claimed Citizenship in His Kingdom - in His Holy nation. The promise was first delivered in Exodus chapter 19 and it was firmly solidified in I Peter chapter 2. The book is about submitting to the Kingdom of God. It is not about submitting to the Caesars, the presidents, the governors who have not yielded themselves to the Kingdom of God.

These lying, deceiving 501(c)(3) “preachers” can twist - and yes - they can twist - and they have twisted Romans 13 into a lie, they have twisted I Peter 2 into a lie - both absolutely amazing accomplishments - since you have to eliminate about 99% of the rest of the Bible to do so - but they can't twist Hebrews chapter 13. Turn there. Verse 17. Christians - true Christians - are the most submissive people in the world today. We are lied about. We are called rebels and rebellious and a lot of other things that we are not. We obey the Scriptures. Verse 17.

[17] Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

Clearly, summing up Romans 13 and I Peter 2 - the Book of Hebrews - which one should easily be able to discern is a summary in many ways of the whole rest of the Bible - and it makes it abundantly clear who Christians are to submit to. Those who are watching for your souls. That is easy. That is simple. There isn't a manmade little g “government” ever established since the first century [except for what we see in the New Haven Colony - so I need to reword that a little bit] there isn't a government except for what we saw in New Haven - that lays claim to watching for your souls. A Government that is in place to make sure we conform our lives to the principles contained in the Word of God. Man's little g “governments” run from the principles of Scripture every chance they get - except for when they can twist a few to fit their agenda.

They watch for your souls.

That is only accomplished by Godly Authority. That is only accomplished by Godly judges that are measuring the actions of the people based exclusively on the Laws, Commandments, Statutes, Judgments and Perfect Will of God. That's it There's no else that is even closely qualified to watch for someone else's soul.

These rulers of Hebrews chapter 13 can only be people who have given their lives to the service of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God. Jesus said, "The Gentiles [the lost] exercise dominion of each other, among you, it shall not be so." Where you find mere men exercising dominion over other men - based on their own definitions of good and evil, right and wrong, legal and illegal, lawful and unlawful - you can rest assured they do not fit the qualification of ruler - summed up in Hebrews chapter 13.

So, and I realize I said I was going to give a ton of verses, but I only gave a few verses this morning, there are hundreds of references to kings and the relationship and interaction between kings and Israel - the Bible is a history book about the kings in Israel and Israel's relations to other kings.

With that in mind, look again to Matthew chapter 2. Reading from the Geneva.

Let me stop here for just a minute. I want to explain something to you. I want to lay this on the table for all to see. I am not hiding anything from anyone. Why do I read from multiple different translations? Why do I read sometimes from the KJV? Why do I read some "Old Testament" passages from the Septuagint? And some from the KJV or from Wycliffe or Tyndale? Here's why. Because I believe we have the key to understanding the Will of God. That key being that Jesus Christ fulfilled every single prophecy, that Jesus Christ took the throne of David, that the Kingdom of God was fully established in the first century and it is the responsibility of every living, breathing creature, to conform to that Government - and that Government alone - since God sent His Son - Jesus Christ to this earth in the first century.

So, when I read from multiple translations, I do so - not so much for comparison sake - and that's certainly not a bad thing - but I read from the one that best represents the key - the one that best presents the present day reality of the Kingdom of God and the command for all men to come out of the little g "governments" of men - and into the exclusive Government of God, the Nation of God, the Commonwealth of Israel. And, when it comes to Matthew chapter 2 - there's simply not a better translation - than the 1599 Geneva. So there you have it. I have an agenda. Sure do. The agenda is to make people understand that the Kingdom of Christ was established in the first century - and it's past time for us to start living that way. Most people live by every other "government" except for the Only One that God has commanded people to live by today.

Verse 1, Matthew 2, 1599 Geneva:

2:1 When Jesus then was borne at Bethleem in Iudea, in the dayes of Herod the king, beholde, there came Wisemen from the East to Hierusalem,  
2:2 Saying, Where is that King of the Iewes that is borne? for wee haue seene his starre in the East, and are come to worship him.

We aren't talking about any king. We aren't talking about just another king. We are talking about THAT King. We are talking about THAT King - the One Who was prophesied to be the Last King of the succession of the throne in Israel. We are talking about the King that was promised to David.

Very few people understand this. But those people did. That's why they were called Wise. You want to be wise? Get this - you'll be wise. They knew the distinction of THAT King. This was no ordinary King. This was not just another king. This was THAT King.

2:2 Saying, Where is that King of the Iewes that is borne? for wee haue seene his starre in the East, and are come to worship him.  
2:3 When king Herod heard this, he was troubled, and all Hierusalem with him.  
2:4 And gathering together all the chiefe Priestes and Scribes of the people, hee asked of them, where Christ should be borne.

Once again. The Scriptures are so awesome - just breathtakingly awesome. Herod did not call Him Jesus. He didn't even know what His name was. Herod wanted to know where Christ - the Anointed Messiah - the King in Israel was to be born. This is not just another king. This is THAT King.

2:5 And they saide vnto him, At Beth-leem in Iudea: for so it is written by the Prophet,  
2:6 And thou Beth-leem in the lande of Iuda, art not the least among the Princes of Iuda: For out of thee shall come the gouernour that shall feede that my people Israel.

This is the fulfillment of the promise to Moses by God from Exodus chapter 19. This is what Jacob Israel was talking about to his sons when he told them what was coming - in the last days. This is the fulfillment of the scepter continuing through the family of Juda. This is it. I'm telling you, there's just not a lot of people who understand this. It hasn't been taught. The Scriptures have been read. Sure, there are some "preachers" out there who have taught on Genesis 49. They have taught concerning the scepter, the Lawgiver, the Gatherer - they've talked about Shiloh - but when they say the Last days

were not fulfilled during the time of Jesus Christ - it doesn't matter what they say - their conclusions will draw people away from Christ instead of to Christ. They are using Scripture to actually turn people away from the truth.

The Wisemen of Matthew chapter 2 - and including a not so wise man - Herod - understood the birth of Jesus as being the birth of the Christ - the Anointed King of Israel that was prophesied in the Law and the prophets.

Now, in conclusion today, I'm probably not going to make a whole hour today and I'll tell you why. Comparing Exodus 19 with I Peter chapter 2 today - has so overwhelmed me - it so overpowered me - I just don't want to say much more because I really think I should have just stopped right there. But I didn't, and I'm going to bring one more passage to the table, then we'll close.

Turn to Mark chapter 1. Everyone, there's not a "preacher" out there today that does not preach about the "Kingdom of God." I heard a few minutes of one this week, saying over and over, the Kingdom of God is now. The Kingdom of God was established in the first century with Christ. And all I could say was, "Great, man, preach it. But along with preaching it, how about living it? We can absolutely agree the Kingdom of God is now - now let's stop with the nonsense of telling people that God commands obedience to the caesars - and let's get to God commanding exclusive obedience to Him, His Son, His Laws, Statutes, Judgments and Perfect Will. Let's quit playing citizens of the world and start being Citizens of the Commonwealth of Israel."

Verse 1, Mark 1. Reading this time from the familiarity of the KJV - because the KJV states this so clearly - I don't know how anyone with a kindergarten education can't get this.

[1] The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;

[2] As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

[3] The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Going to fast. Go back to verse 1 again. AS IT IS WRITTEN IN THE PROPHETS. The Christ, the Anointed Son of God, the Messiah, the King.

[4] John did wash [that's what the word should be - wash - not the made up word



“baptize”] in the wilderness, and preach the washing [washing - not “baptism” - John was leading those people into the Old Covenant way of remission of sins - and the Bible clearly shows from the Law God gave Moses - wash the clothes, wash the skin, bathe the flesh - John was not bringing something new to the scene] of repentance for the remission of sins.

[5] And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all washed of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

Because that's the way it was done in the Old Covenant.

[6] And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;

[7] And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.

[8] I indeed have washed you with water [according to the Law God gave Moses]: but He shall wash you with the Holy Ghost.

And that has NOTHING to do with physical water!

[9] And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was washed of John in Jordan [in order to fulfill the Law God gave Moses concerning all 30 year old men that were going to be servicing in the temple - Numbers chapter 4].

[10] And straightway coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him:

[11] And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

[12] And immediately the Spirit driveth Him into the wilderness.

[13] And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto Him.

[14] Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,

[15] And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Friends, how can that be any clearer? Jesus was announced at birth as **that** King, **that** Governor **that** would come from Juda as prophesied in the Law and the prophets. Jesus fulfilled the Law. God the Father announced Thou Art My beloved Son, and now Jesus

bursts back onto the scene and says - as plainly as anything ever was in the Bible -

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

That was 2,000 years ago. And the world is still filled today with liars and deceivers who are telling people that the time has not been fulfilled. The prophecies are yet to be fulfilled. The Kingdom of God, the King is coming in the future. When people say such things, they call Jesus a liar, and they are antichrists, denying that Jesus the Christ came in the flesh.

If we had just known what this meaneth.

I just don't see how it can be any clearer.

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

The history of Israel is about kings and their relation to them. We see the King being born. We see the Scriptures concerning the prophecies that out of Juda the Governor would come. Well, friends, this is all talking about Jesus Christ in the Bible, in the first century. He's not a coming King. His Kingdom is not coming in the future. He came. HE took the throne of David. The Kingdom, the Ekklesia, the promise that God gave to Moses all the way back in Exodus 19 - if we just read the Bible - we see that it was fulfilled in those first century believers and recorded in I Peter chapter 2. It just can't get any clearer than this.

There is nothing, not one single thing about the Kingdom of God that is future. Jesus said -

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.