

“WORD OF LIFE”

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40. CHRIST IN HIS PERSON (20) – In the Fulfillment of the OT Prophecies

N 64. The **Coming King** Setting Up His Kingdom over All the Earth

Hymns: #151 / #221 / # O Father God, how faithful You are

✚ “...the **words** which I have spoken to you are **spirit** and are **life**.” (John 6:63b)

[Prophecy]

Zech. 14:9 - And **Jehovah** will be **King over all the earth**; and in that day **Jehovah** will be the **one God** and His name the **one** name.

[Fulfillment]

Matt. 25:31 - But when the **Son of Man** comes in His **glory** and all the angels with Him, at that time He will sit on the **throne** of His glory.

Matt. 25:34 - Then the **King** will say to those on His right hand, **Come**, you who are blessed of My **Father**, inherit the **kingdom** prepared for you from the foundation of the world..

1Cor. 15:25 - For He must **reign** until *God* puts all His enemies under His feet.

✚ “...to come to the **full knowledge** of the **truth**....” (1Tim.2:4b)

❖ Christ is the **coming King** setting up his **kingdom** over all the earth

- Zechariah 14:9 **promised**, “*The Lord shall be King over all the earth.*”
 - **Christ** as the **coming King** will set up His kingdom over all the earth.
- It is **fulfilled** in Matthew 25:31-34 and 1 Corinthians 15:25.
 - When the **Lord** comes back, He will **save** Israel and will **smite** the Gentile nations and judge them.
 - Then He will set up His **kingdom** on earth for a thousand years, for the millennium.
 - In the millennium there will be **three realms**:
 - the realm of the **earth**, where the **blessing** of God’s creation, as mentioned in Genesis 1:28-30, will take place;
 - the realm of the **nation of Israel**, from Canaan, from the Nile to the Euphrates, in which the saved Jews will **rule** over the whole earth (Isa. 60:10-12; Zech. 14:16-18); and
 - the **heavenly and spiritual realm** (1 Cor. 15:50-52), which will be the **manifestation** of the kingdom of the heavens, where the overcoming believers will **enjoy** the kingdom **reward** (Matt. 5:20; 7:21).

✚ “...Pursue **love**, and desire earnestly **spiritual gifts**, but especially that you may **prophecy**.” (1Cor. 14:1)

✚ Speaking of Christ’s kingdom, 1 Corinthians 15:25 says,

“He must **reign** until He puts all His enemies under His feet.”

- ✓ This will be the Lord’s **reign** in the millennium, the last age of the old creation.
- ✓ The longer **Christ reigns**, the more enemies are put under His feet.
- ✓ Eventually, at the end of the millennium every enemy will have been put under the feet of **Christ**.

{(Reference: The Conclusion of the New Testament **Ch. 40**, letter N – point 64)
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Hymn 151

1 Sing we the **King**
who is **coming to reign**,
Glory to **Jesus**,
the **Lamb** that was slain;
Righteousness, peace
then His **empire shall bring**,
Joy to the nations
when **Jesus is King**.

Chorus:

Come let us sing: Praise to our **King**,
Jesus our King, Jesus our King:
This is our song,
who to **Jesus** belong:
Glory to **Jesus**, to **Jesus our King**.

2 All men shall dwell
in His **marvelous light**,
Races long severed His love
shall unite,
Justice and truth
from His scepter shall spring,
Wrong shall be ended
when **Jesus is King**.

3 All shall be well
in His **kingdom of peace**,
Freedom shall flourish
and wisdom increase,
Foe shall be friend
when His triumph we sing,
Sword shall be sickle
when **Jesus is King**.

4 Knowledge and fear of the **Lord**
then shall be
As the deep waters
that cover the sea;
All things shall be
in the splendor of spring
And all harmonious
when **Jesus is King**.

5 **Kingdom of Christ**,
for thy coming we pray,
Hasten, O **Father**,
the dawn of the day
When this new song
Thy creation shall sing,
Satan is vanquished
and **Jesus is King**.

Hymn 221

1 **Lord**, we thank Thee for the **table**,
With the **bread** and with the **wine**;
At this **table** we enjoy Thee
As the feast of **love divine**.
We partake the **bread**, the **emblem**
Of Thy **body** giv'n for us;
And we share the **wine**, the **symbol**
Of Thy **blood** Thou shedd'st for us.

Chorus:

Lo, the holy **table**!
With the sacred **symbols**;
Its significance in figure
Is unsearchable!

2 By the **death** of Thy **redemption**,
That Thy life Thou may impart,
E'en Thyself to us Thou gavest
That we share in all Thou art.
By the **bread** and **wine** partaking,
We Thy **death** display and prove;
Eating, drinking of Thyself, **Lord**,
We **remember** Thee with love.

3 By this **bread** which signifieth
Thy one **body mystical**,
We commune with all Thy members
In one bond identical.
By this holy **cup of blessing**,
Cup of **wine** which now we bless,
Of Thy **blood** we have communion
With all those who faith possess.

4 Thou art our **eternal portion**,
Here we take a sweet foretaste;
We are **waiting** for Thy **kingdom**,
And Thy coming now we haste.
At Thy coming, in Thy **kingdom**,
With all saints that overcome,
We anew will feast upon Thee
And Thy loving **Bride** become.

O Father God, how faithful You are

1 O **Father God**, how **faithful** You
Are through eternity;
For Your eternal purpose You
Are **faithful** now in me.

Chorus:

How steadfast is Thy **faithfulness**!
For this I **worship** Thee;
It is established in the heav'n,
And ever stands for me.

2 You've called us into **fellowship**
Of Your dear **Son**, our **Lord**,
That He may be our portion full,
Our center, our accord.

3 **Though** we unfaithful oft will be,
Yet You are **faithful** still,
Though not for human welfare **but**
For Your eternal will.

4 Since we've believed into Your **Son**
Some losses You've allowed
That we from broken cisterns turn
To **drink** our Fountain-**God**.

5 Your **faithfulness** has led us in
To Your **economy**,
Where **Christ** we all enjoy
that You
In us may increased be.

6 The living water's faithful flow
We drink and shout, **Amen**;
The destination of this flow
The **New Jerusalem**.