

## **Right Now We Reign With Christ !**

*Romans 5:17, "For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ."*

*"And He hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen." (Rev. 1:6). "He hath made us!"* Oh, there are certain truths we need to emphasize. This is one of them. HE! He hath made us! **Salvation is His doing.** Salvation is of the Lord. All of grace. **He redeemed us for a purpose.** He bought us for a purpose. **We are kings, spiritual kings** (*I Peter 2:9-10*). **Oh, we are going to be kings upon the earth with Him when He sits on His throne** (*Rev. 3:21*). **But now we are spiritual kings and we reign over a spiritual kingdom.** [1]

God's Kingdom is not of this earth. **God's Kingdom is in our hearts. It's the spiritual Kingdom, that we're born into It.** Jesus said, "The Kingdom of God comes, but not without violence" (*Matt. 11:12; Luke 16:16*). "And the Kingdom of God is within you" (*Luke 17:21*). **The Holy Spirit, God's Kingdom, moving in the man, and governing and controlling him, that's the Kingdom.** [2]

Now, when Adam sinned by heeding his wife's reasoning, instead of holding to God's Word, that's what made Adam sin. His wife reasoned with Satan, and then produced the product to Adam, and Adam turned loose the Word and sold out. **He lost also his inheritance when he lost his fellowship and right to Life.** Remember, "The day you eat thereof, that day you die." (*Gen. 2:17*). **And when he lost his Life, he also lost his inheritance in life, because he had completely supreme control of the earth.** He was a god of the earth. **God's the God of the universe, everywhere.** But His son had this earth under his own control. He could speak; he could name; he could say; he could stop nature; he could do anything he wanted to. See? **But when he did that, he lost his inheritance.** [3]

And in Colossians 1:13, *"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom (reign) of His dear*

**Son." Right now we reign with Christ, having dominion over sin, the world, the flesh, and the devil.** Showing forth His praise and glory; **showing forth Himself, for it is Christ in us** (*Col. 1:26-27*), willing and doing of His good pleasure. **Yes, indeed, even now we are seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus** (*Eph. 2:6*). "And made us priests." Yes, priests unto Him, **offering the spiritual praise of sanctified lips.** Spending our lives as a sweet offering unto Him. **Worshipping Him in Spirit and in truth** (*John 4:23-24*). Interceding and petitioning (*Rom. 8:26-27*). **Priests and kings unto our God.** No wonder the world does not appeal to us and we are a peculiar people zealous unto **good works** (*Heb. 10:23-24*). We have been recreated in Him to be children like unto our Father. [1]

Now, the first Throne was in Heaven, judgment seat. The second Throne was in Christ. **The third Throne is in man.**

Now, **what is a man? He's a triune being;** body, soul, and spirit. How many knows that? Watch God's approach. What is his heart? You remember my message, **God Chose a Man's Heart for His Control Tower? The devil chose his head for his control tower;** see, he makes him see things, look through his eyes. But God in his heart makes him believe things that he cannot see (*Heb. 11:1,6*). See, God is on his heart, **in the heart of man is the Throne of God.** You get it? Man! God made His Throne in the heart of man. The first part of the man is body. The next part is **his soul, which is the nature of his spirit that makes him what he is.** He approaches now. Now, the third part of the man is his spirit, and his spirit is in the center of his heart, **and in the center of the heart is where God comes for the Throne.** [4]

He's setting at the right hand of God on God's throne (*Rom. 8:34*). That's not His throne. He's coming back to reign on His throne; **it's the throne of David; He's to take His throne.** He's setting on God's throne (*Rev. 3:21*), waiting till the last enemy is made His footstool (*Phil. 2:5-11*). He will return someday, **bringing the precious souls with Him to take on immortality, to live in a glorified body, live through a Millennium, and then forever with Him.** [5]

**Look, Christ in you makes Him the center of Life of the revelation.** See? Christ's Life in you makes Him the center of the revelation (*Col. 1:26-28*). Christ, in the Bible, makes the Bible the complete revelation of

Christ. **Christ in you makes you the complete revelation of the whole thing, see, what God is trying to do.**

What is the new Birth then? You'd say, "Well, **what is the new Birth?**" **It is the revelation of Jesus Christ personally to you.** Amen! See? Not you joined a church, you shook a hand, you done something different, you said a creed, you promised to live by a code of rules. **But Christ, the Bible, He is the Word that was revealed to you.** And no matter what anybody says, what takes place, it's Christ; pastor, priest, whatever it might be. **It's Christ in you, that is the revelation that the Church was built upon** (*Matt. 16:17-18*).

**And when the Word is revealed, It expresses Itself.**

**The new Birth is Christ, is a revelation. God has revealed to you this great mystery, and that's a new Birth.** Now what are you going to do when you get all that group together, where the revelation is perfectly in harmony, and God expressing it through His Word by the same actions, the same things that He did, making the Word manifest! **Oh, if the Church only knew its position! It will, one day. Then, the Rapture will go when it knows what it is.** [6]

**We all believe in the Coming of the Lord, that His Coming is soon at hand.** We believe It's at hand now. We don't know just what time it'll be that He will arrive. In view of this, we want to put forth every effort that we know how, **to further the Kingdom and get that last person saved into the Kingdom** (*I Cor. 12:13*). And when the last one is saved, there will not be one extra. It'll just be just so many. **And when that last one is brought in, the Body of Christ is completed, the Rapture will come.**

**And so we are longing for that day, to get out of this place** where we're at here now, for it's certainly a pesthouse, we know that, **full of sickness, disease, and disappointments, and troubles** (*Phil. 3:20-21*). And, my, who would want to stay here, when there's such a **better Place** to get to? (*II Cor. 5:1-8*).

**So we're trying to get every soul saved, so that Jesus can come.** And He cannot come until that last one that has the name of the Book of Life, that was put there before the foundation of the world (*Rev. 13:8*); when that name is called, that's the last one then. He came to redeem, to bring back. **Redeem is "to bring back."** And when He brings the last one in... **He is setting at the right hand of God, today, doing His mediatorial work** (*Heb. 4:14-16*). And when that last soul is saved, that

was redeemed, and seen and knowed by God before the foundation of the world; **when that last soul is saved, that closes the Book. Then the Lamb comes out, takes the Book out of the right hand of Him that sets upon the Throne** (*Rev. 5:6-10*). He's coming then, **He's coming to the earth.** [7]

He was confirming it... **He tore the body of Jesus apart, taking the Spirit, lifted up the body to the right hand of the throne of God; and sent down the other part, the part He tore out, the Spirit upon us, which is called the Holy Spirit. And the very Life that was in Christ is in you, that shows He's your Redeemer.** He's adopted you unto God, and now we are sons and daughters of God, with the Spirit of Christ (*Rom. 8:15-16; Gal. 4:1-7*). Amen. [8]

See, everything in the Bible is **in a trinity**. You know that. I said, "You're a trinity: soul, body, and spirit." **You live in a trinity: kitchen, living room, and the bedroom.** You might have eight or ten different rooms, **but you only live in three rooms.** God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost in a trinity. **And we find out that the coming of Christ is in a trinity. He came first to redeem His Bride, comes next to receive His Bride, comes next with His Bride, as King and Queen, to reign through the Millennium** (*Rev. 19:11-16*). You know that. Everything is in a trinity. And we're in a trinity, we have **a mortal body, a celestial body, and then a glorified body. Three stages bring us back to our perfection again like in Eden.** [9]

When He comes **now, He is a Priest.** When He was here on earth, **He was a Prophet, God's Prophet.** Now He took His Own Blood and went before the Father (*Heb. 9:11-14*), which makes **Him a Priest.** When He comes back He'll be **a King.** Prophet, Priest, and King. He was God's Prophet, He was an Eagle. He was God's Priest, He was a Lamb. **When He comes back, He'll be the Lion** (*Rev. 10:1-3*), **the King,** (the tribe of Judah) **to reign.** [10]

Where is that one that's going to sow that seed for that end-time church? Where is that ripening seed, that promised Elijah? And immediately after his days shall the great tribulation set in and burn the earth.

**And then at the return of the church and the Bride, the Bride and Christ shall walk out upon their ashes in the Millennium** (*Mal. 4:1-3*),

when the earth is purified by fire. And there they shall reign. **And the heathens that never heard the Gospel shall be raised in that time, and the sons of God will be manifested (Rom. 8:19-23). If he's to reign, he's got to have something to reign over; he's got a domain.** "And they ruled and reigned with Christ," (*II Tim. 2:11-13*), and Christ ruled, with a rod of iron, the nations (*Rev. 2:26-28*). **Then the manifested sons of God with the authority just like He had when He was here, there will come the Millennium in that reign (Isaiah 65:17-25; Rom. 8:18-21; Rev. 20:4-6).** [11]

The reason is in Romans 8:17-18,

*"And if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."*

**Unless we suffer with Him we cannot reign with Him. You have to suffer to reign.** The reason for this is **that character simply is never made without suffering. Character is a victory, not a gift. A man without character can't reign because power apart from character is satanic. But power with character is fit to rule.** And since He wants us to share even His throne on the same basis that He overcame and is set down in His Father's throne, then we have to overcome to sit with Him. **And the little temporary suffering we go through now is not worthy to be compared to the tremendous glory that will be revealed in us when He comes (II Cor. 4:17-18).** Oh, what treasures are laid up for those who are willing to enter into His kingdom through much tribulation (*Acts 14:22*). [12]

Now, Revelations 3, the 21st verse, we read this:

*"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."*

Did you notice the arrangements of that? "Set with Me **in My throne,**" not "**on My throne.**" "**In My throne,**" **that's in His domain.** And now, as **Christ is the Ruler, throne Ruler at this time,** of the complete domain of God, so will the Church be with Him, **the Bride be with Him, in His throne, in the entire domain.** See? Not "on My throne," but "in My throne," see, where His domain reaches. A throne is over a domain, and a domain reaches just as far as its boundaries do. **And this is from Eternity to Eternity.** Just think of it! [13]

See, **the Bride is with Him in the throne.** As she is to judge the world she has to be sitting in the judgment with Him. That is exactly what Daniel saw.

*Daniel 7:9-10, "I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, Whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool: His throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him: thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened."*

See, **it is the same scene, for the thousand thousands who are ministering to Him are the bride, for who ministers to the husband but the wife?** [14]

God sent, on the day of Pentecost, **the Holy Ghost to rule in man's hearts and rule in his lives. It was not meant for man to rule over man.**

**But man wants to rule, and rule over man; and man wants man to rule over him. He doesn't want to have God to rule.** [15]

Now, as we study this, my purpose of this is just not to come here to fellowship with you people. Which, I love to do that. But if I had a chance to do that, I would come to your home, and shake your hand and talk with you, and set down, eat dinner with you; and set down, under the shade tree, and talk and fellowship a while. But when we come here, we are here for one specific purpose. **This is the house of correction. This is the throne. This is the throne of God, and judgment goes forth from the house of God (I Peter 4:17).** And here is **where we come together, gather in love,** with one another, as only Christians can love. But, in here, we are **under a leadership of the Holy Spirit.** The Holy Ghost is among us. And we're here to take reckoning among us, **to see where our short places are, our shortcoming,** and how can we catch from where we should be, over to where we ought to be now; where we are, and where we ought to be. And that's what we study. **Ministers study those places, for their people. When they see the people, the lack,** then they begin on that.

Now, soon, I think that the church maybe should be taking just a little step higher at this time. [13]

Now I want to say that I believe in leadership (*Rom. 8:14*). But it is not the leadership of men I believe in. **I believe in the leadership of the Holy Ghost coming through the Word** (*Col. 1:18-20*). I believe also, that God has set men in the church, **men who are gifted by the Spirit**; and they will keep the church in order (*Eph. 4:11-16*). I believe that. I believe also **that the church is ruled over by men that God sends to take charge. But that rule is by the Word**, so that it is not men really ruling **but the Spirit of God, for the Word and Spirit are one.** [16]

Ducks will get together, every one of them, **and rally around a leader.** In there they'll know somehow, I don't know how they do it, but they know that that certain little drake is a leader. And that little fellow, they all get together and rally right around him, and rise right up in the air. And he has never been off that pond now, but he'll go just as straight to Louisiana or Texas as he can go, to the rice field. See, before they take to their flight, to leave their home where they've been born that year, they unite together. Amen! There you are; rallying around their leader.

**The trouble of it is, with man, he doesn't know his leader. They'll rally around a denomination, they'll rally around a bishop or a man, but they won't rally around the Leader, the Holy Spirit and the Word.** See? They say, "Oh, well, I'm afraid I'll get a little fanatically; I'm afraid I'll get off on the wrong foot." Ohhhh, there you are!

What if the little duck said, "I just don't like the way he keeps his feathers. I don't believe I'll follow him." He'll freeze to death. You'll be caught up there, if you don't take with the flight as it goes. It unites itself together, and nature does that.

Geese unites themselves together, rallies themselves around their leader; they do the same thing. [17]

*Hebrews 13:7, "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation."*

Heavenly Father, **the enemy is on the run. The enemy is defeated. Jesus Christ lives and reigns.**

**Satan, you've lost the battle!** Jesus Christ has won the victory. You are exposed. **You are just a bluff**; and we call your hand, in the love of Calvary. Come out of this people, in the Name of Jesus Christ, and leave them and set them loose! [18]

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- [4] "Revelation Chapter 4, Part 2" (61-0101), par. 237
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- [7] "Christ Is Identified The Same In All Generations" (64-0415), par. 10-12
- [8] "Jehovah-Jireh Part 1" (64-0402), par. 106
- [9] "Jehovah-Jireh Part 3" (60-0803), par. E-39
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- [17] "The Uniting Time And Sign" (63-0818), par. 82-84
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