The King Is Coming Back!

2 Samuel 19:15 (ESV) - So the king came back to the Jordan, and Judah came to Gilgal to meet the king and to bring the king over the Jordan.

John 14:1-3

1. "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me.

2. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

Acts 1:9-11

9. After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

10. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

11. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Revelation 22:20 – He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

1. Will you be making excuses like Ziba and Shimei?

2 Samuel 19:16-23

16. Shimei son of Gera, the Benjamite from Bahurim, hurried down with the men of Judah to meet King David.

17. With him were a thousand Benjamites, along with Ziba, the steward of Saul's household, and his fifteen sons and twenty servants. They rushed to the Jordan, where the king was.

18. They crossed at the ford to take the king's household over and to do whatever he wished. When Shimei son of Gera crossed the Jordan, he fell prostrate before the king

19. and said to him, "May my lord not hold me guilty. Do not remember how your servant did wrong on the day my lord the king left Jerusalem. May the king put it out of his mind.

20. For I your servant know that I have sinned, but today I have come here as the first of the whole house of Joseph to come down and meet my lord the king."

21. Then Abishai son of Zeruiah said, "Shouldn't Shimei be put to death for this? He cursed the LORD's anointed."

22. David replied, "What do you and I have in common, you sons of Zeruiah? This day you have become my adversaries! Should anyone be put to death in Israel today? Do I not know that today I am king over Israel?"

23. So the king said to Shimei, "You shall not die." And the king promised him on oath.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 – Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. The saved person loses all rights & control over his/her life.

Ecclesiastes 11:9 – Be happy, young man, while you are young, and let your heart give you joy in the days of your youth. Follow the ways of your heart and whatever your eyes see, but know that for all these things God will bring you to judgment.

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2. Will you be making the King your priority like Mephibosheth?

2 Samuel 19:24-30

24. Mephibosheth, Saul's grandson, also went down to meet the king. He had not taken care of his feet or trimmed his mustache or washed his clothes from the day the king left until the day he returned safely.

25. When he came from Jerusalem to meet the king, the king asked him, "Why didn't you go with me, Mephibosheth?"

26. He said, "My lord the king, since I your servant am lame, I said, `I will have my donkey saddled and will ride on it, so I can go with the king.' But Ziba my servant betrayed me.

27. And he has slandered your servant to my lord the king. My lord the king is like an angel of God; so do whatever pleases you.

28. All my grandfather's descendants deserved nothing but death from my lord the king, but you gave your servant a place among those who sat at your table. So what right do I have to make any more appeals to the king?"

29. The king said to him, "Why say more? I order you and Ziba to divide the fields."

30. Mephibosheth said to the king, "Let him take everything, now that my lord the king has arrived home safely."

1Thess. 4:16-17

16. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command (shout), with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

17. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

Rev. 4:1 - After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here..."

Rev. 11:12 - Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

Hebrews 9:28 – so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

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3. Will you be making a way like Barzillai?

2 Samuel 19:31-40

31. Barzillai the Gileadite also came down from Rogelim to cross the Jordan with the king and to send him on his way from there.

32. Now Barzillai was a very old man, eighty years of age. He had provided for the king during his stay in Mahanaim, for he was a very wealthy man.

33. The king said to Barzillai, "Cross over with me and stay with me in Jerusalem, and I will provide for you."

34. But Barzillai answered the king, "How many more years will I live, that I should go up to Jerusalem with the king?

35. I am now eighty years old. Can I tell the difference between what is good and what is not? Can your servant taste what he eats and drinks? Can I still hear the voices of men and women singers? Why should your servant be an added burden to my lord the king?

36. Your servant will cross over the Jordan with the king for a short distance, but why should the king reward me in this way?

37. Let your servant return, that I may die in my own town near the tomb of my father and mother. But here is your servant Kimham. Let him cross over with my lord the king. Do for him whatever pleases you."

38. The king said, "Kimham shall cross over with me, and I will do for him whatever pleases you. And anything you desire from me I will do for you."

39. So all the people crossed the Jordan, and then the king crossed over. The king kissed Barzillai and gave him his blessing, and Barzillai returned to his home.

40. When the king crossed over to Gilgal, Kimham crossed with him. All the troops of Judah and half the troops of Israel had taken the king over.

Sundayitis

Spiritual Paralysis

Cirrhosis Of The Giver

Diarrhea of the mouth,

Mad Christian Disease and

OCD, Obsessive Complaining Disorder,

1 Corinthians 4:2 – Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

Required = to demand, order, command.

Luke 12:40-48

40. You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

41. Peter asked, "Lord, are you telling this parable to us, or to everyone?"42. The Lord answered, "Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom

the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time?

43. It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns.

44. I tell you the truth, he will put him in charge of all his possessions.

45. But suppose the servant says to himself, `My master is taking a long time in coming,' and he then begins to beat the menservants and maidservants and to eat and drink and get drunk.

46. The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the unbelievers. 47. "That servant who knows his master's will and does not get ready or does not do what his master wants will be beaten with many blows.48. But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

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4. Will you be making trouble like Sheba?

2 Samuel 20:1 - Now a troublemaker (KJV-man of Belial) named Sheba son of Bicri, a Benjamite, happened to be there. He sounded the trumpet and shouted, "We have no share in David, no part in Jesse's son! Every man to his tent, O Israel!"

James 4:4-10

4. You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an <u>enemy of God</u>.

5. Or do you think Scripture says without reason that the spirit he caused to live in us envies intensely?

6. But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

7. Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

8. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

9. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom.

10. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

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