

THE ETERNAL KING

(Life Group Bible Study; Week of 3/10/2024; 2 Samuel Overview; Steve Thiel; Christ Proclamation Church)

Sermon Theme: The only hope we have as the people of God is the coming of the promised King who will conquer sin, death, and the devil and reign for all eternity over His eternal kingdom. Jesus is that king! Therefore, let us be those who rejoice in Him as Savior and worship Him as King, with great strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow!

I. The Promised King – Read Genesis 2:18-20, 14:14-16, and 49:8-10

- A. Read Genesis 1:27-28 and 2:18-20. In what ways is Adam a “king-like” figure? What is the significance of Adam and Eve’s status as vice-regents over all things in the Garden of Eden?
- B. Read Genesis 17:1-8. What does God’s promise to Abraham highlight about God’s plan of redemption? How do you see these promises worked out in the Lord Jesus Christ?
- C. Read Genesis 49:8-10. What are we told about the tribe of Judah? How does this passage point us forward to the eternal king and the forever kingdom?

II. The Eternal King – Read 2 Samuel 7:1-17

- A. What observations do you make about 2 Samuel? What is the basic structure of the book?
- B. What 3 things are highlighted in 2 Samuel 1-6 during David’s rise to the throne?
- C. Read 2 Samuel 7:1-17. What similarities do you notice between Genesis 17:1-8 and 2 Samuel 7? How are the promises of a great name, nation, blessing, and land seen in 2 Samuel 7:1-17?
- D. Read 2 Samuel 7:15-16. How is it possible that David’s kingdom will remain forever?
- E. Why is this passage critical in light of God’s great plan for a king to come and redeem us?

III. The Coming King – Read Matthew 1:1-21, 4:17, and Revelation 5:11-14

- A. Read Matthew 1:1-21. How does Matthew display Jesus to be the long-awaited eternal king?
- B. Jesus declares in Matthew 4:17 that He is the eternal king. How does His death, resurrection, and ascension provide us with great strength for today? What are some of the things right now that you are most worried about? How does the reality of an eternal king impact your anxiety?
- C. Read Revelation 5:11-14. How does the promise that Jesus will rule forever bring you bright hope for tomorrow? How does the promise of enjoying the eternal king forever intensify your joy in the Lord Jesus Christ today? How does future hope impact your present reality?