The King is Coming – Part 1 Psalms 20-21

Introduction:

- 1. David wrote many of the psalms and is listed as the author of Psalms 20-21. David was the anointed king over all of Israel, God's chosen people.
- 2. God made a covenant with David that He would establish David's house and kingdom forever. Through David's seed, David's throne would be established forever.
- 3. God will fulfill this promise to David and will do so through the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - Jesus Christ was of the seed of David. Romans 1:3; Revelation 22:16
 - Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. 2 Timothy 2:8
 - Jesus Christ will reign upon David's throne forever. Luke 1:31-33
- 4. Therefore, many of the psalms are written by King David, but David is a type or picture of the anointed One, the King of kings, Jesus Christ (David's seed) who will one day reign over the entire earth in glory and majesty.
 - Over and over in the gospels, Jesus is given the title, "The Son of David." He was born of the seed of David, in the city of David, Bethlehem. John 7:42
- 5. Psalm 20 and 21 are examples of prophetic psalms that look forward and anticipate the arrival of **the** King to this earth to establish His glorious kingdom. **Jeremiah 23:5-6; Zechariah, 14:9**
- 6. Jesus left this earth and ascended into heaven 40 days after His resurrection, but rest assured, the King is coming back! Acts 1:11; cf. 1 Timothy 6:14-15

When the King returns:

There will be great justice on the earth.

- 1. As we look around the earth today, we witness a lot of injustice. Innocent people are hurt. Guilty people go without punishment.
 - Sometimes it can lead us to ask, "Why doesn't God do something about it? Why does God allow injustice to continue on the earth?"
- 2. There is only one reason. God is extending an offer of grace to this world today through the cross-work of the Lord Jesus Christ. If God were to bring judgment on sinners, the time of grace would be over.
 - The King came to this earth, and the people crucified Him and wanted no part
 of Him or His kingdom. They placed a crown of thorns on His head and
 mocked Him. They said, "We have no king but Caesar."
 - After He rose from the dead, Christ (who held all power) could have immediately brought judgment upon the earth and upon sinners, but instead He extended an offer of grace and reconciliation to the people of the earth.
 - God withheld judgment and has been extending a grace period to sinners. God has allowed sinners to rage that He might offer them grace and forgiveness.
- 3. But one day, the time of judgment will occur. The curtain of His grace will be lifted, and the curtain of His wrath and judgment will fall.

- 4. When Christ returns, notice in **Psalm 21:8-12** that Christ will deal thoroughly with His enemies. They will incur His wrath and fiery judgment and will be destroyed and taken from the earth. **Matthew 13:41-43**
- 5. When Christ returns to the earth, in His kingdom justice will, at last, prevail. **Isaiah 9:7**
- 6. Are you a child of God or an enemy of God? There is no "in between." If you have received God's Son, Jesus Christ, you are His child. If you have rejected Christ, you are His enemy.