

Your King



• King George (the Tyrant!)

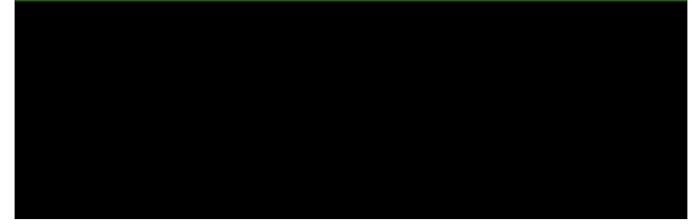


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- Why are these wise men from a distant country (not Jews) seeking a child born to be king?
- Why did they wish to honor him and worship him?
- Herod, troubled by talk of a real King, asked about "the Christ"!
- Answer found in the prophecies of the Scripture! (Micah 5:2)

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Jehovah's Promise to King David

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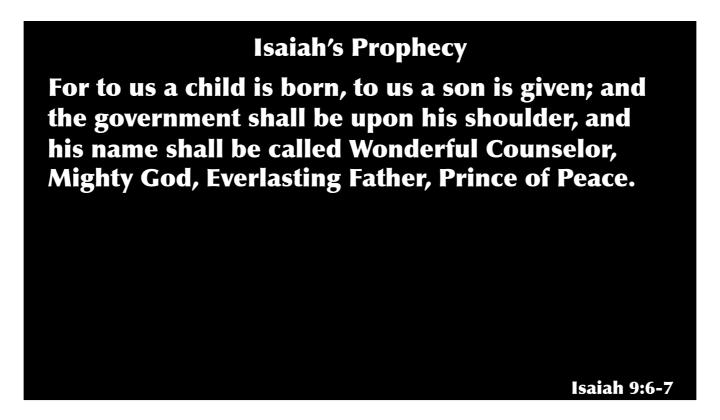
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Why Were They So Excited About This Promised King?	
Justice Saved	Dwell Securely
Peace	
Righteousness	Having Salvation

- Why so Excited?
 - Who the King is....
 - House of David
 - Forever
 - Deal Wisely
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 - What the King does
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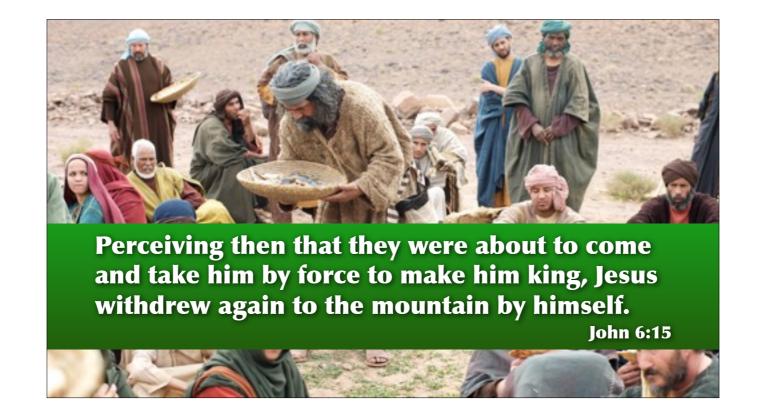
 John 1:43-51 (ESV) 43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."



 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you."



• 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."



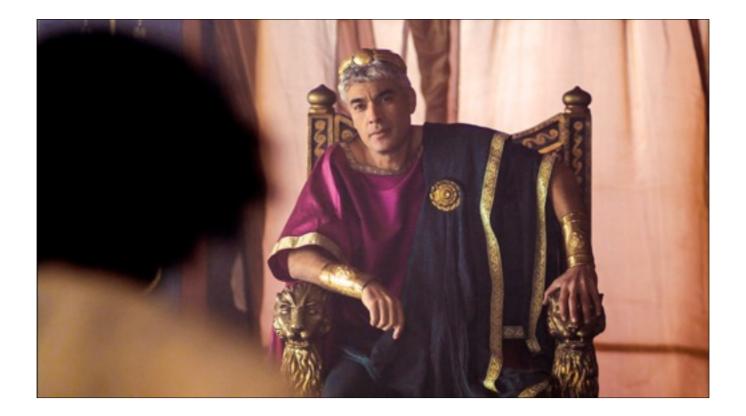
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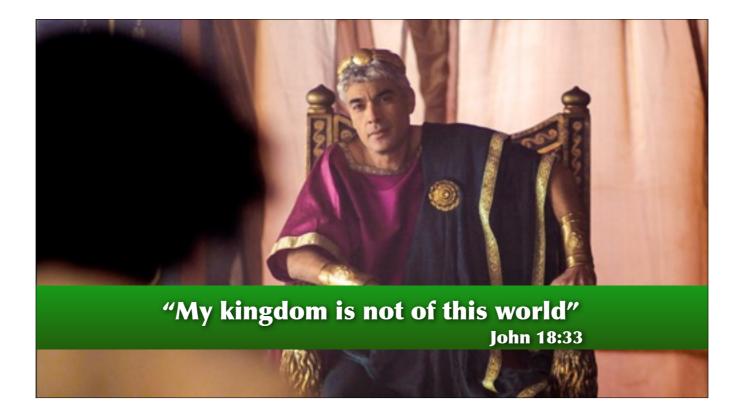
- This is a startling reaction for the one who is to be king.
 - If he is to be king, why not allow them to make him king?
- 26: seek, not because of signs, but ate fill of loaves
- 27: work for food that endures: eternal life



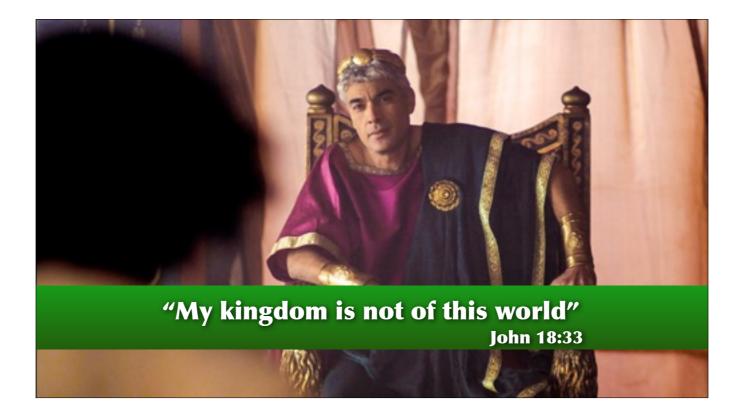
• Are you the King? John 18:33-40



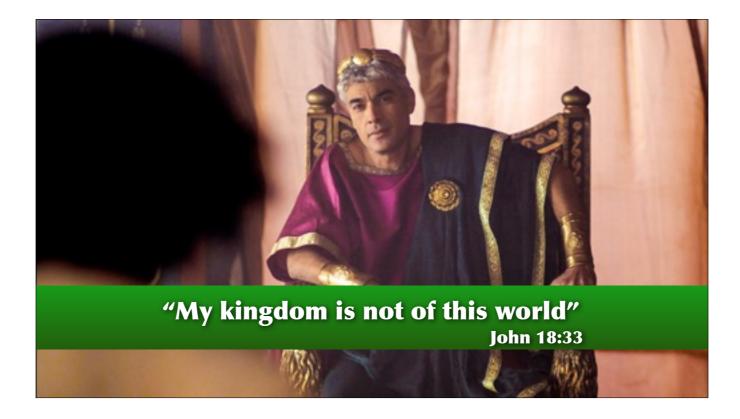
• John 18:33 (ESV) So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"



• John 18:36 (ESV) Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world."

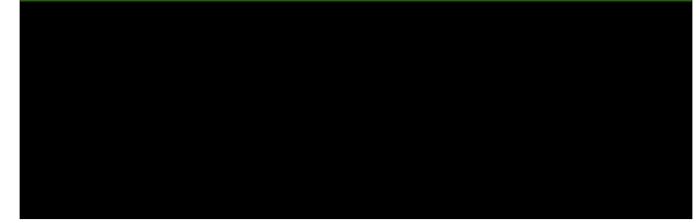


- Jesus is King
 - not just of the Jews, but of all mankind
 - His Kingdom is a spiritual kingdom.
 - Not just saying this in contrast to a physical Kingdom: territory on this earth, etc.

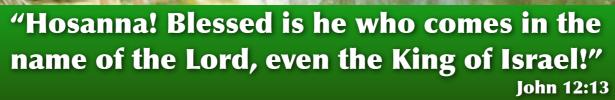


- Not of this world
 - Doesn't follow the usual way of thinking, acting as the world (top-down), power
- Righteousness, Justice, Peace
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Celebrating the King

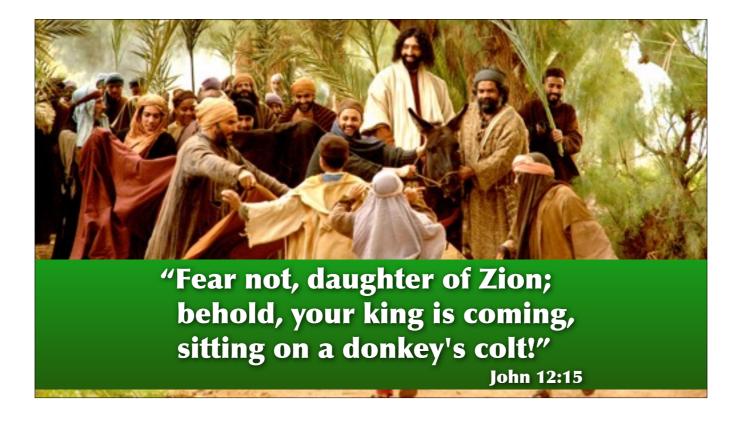


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- John 12:13 (ESV) So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"
- Hosanna = "Save now; grant salvation"
- Psalm 118:25-26
- This is a welcoming cry!

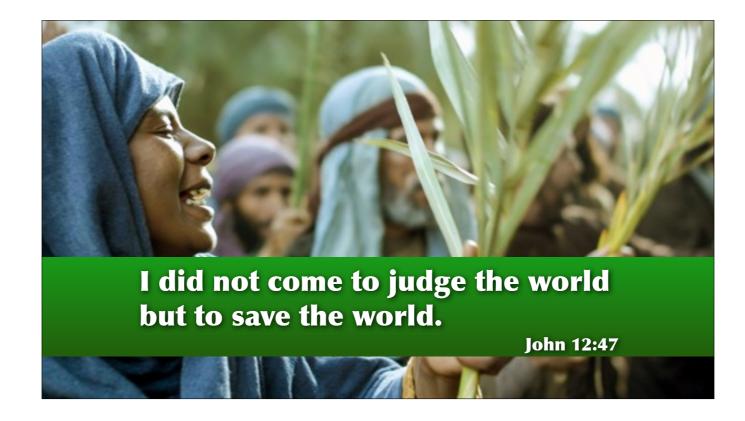


- John 12:15 (ESV) "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"
- Incongruity: King's triumph on horses, war; Jesus, humble, donkey
- Belief because of raising of Lazarus from the dead.

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- Why are they so excited about the King?
 - Is it curiosity?
 - Is it miracles? food? life?
 - Is it freedom from Rome?
- OT prophecies
 - righteousness, justice, peace
 - salvation!



- John 12:44-50: Jesus makes it clear EXACTLY why we should be excited that He is our King.
 - 44: believes
 - 46: I have come into the world as light
 - 47: I did not come to judge the world but to save the world
 - 50: Eternal life!



- Are YOU excited about Jesus as your King?
- Celebrate!



Romans 14:17 (ESV) For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.
Perhaps one of the things missing in our lives and in our worship is this desire to celebrate the glories of our king!

He's My King

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We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20



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