

# The Coming of the Kingdom

S.R. Acts 2:32 - 36

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## Introduction

- A. Recently a preacher died who taught me as a young child.
  - 1. He was 92 years of age.
  - 2. On the Screen is his PPT (chalkboard) from the 1950's.
- B. Walk with me through these ancient texts as we anticipate the kingdom of heaven “at hand” with the arrival of Jesus.
- C. If you can remember chapter 2 or Psalm 2 you will come to Acts 2:30 – 36 with a fundamental picture of the King and His kingdom.

## I. Psalm 2:1-2, 6

- A. Text 2:1-2
- B. God through David – announced 1,000 years in advance the coronation of His Son – the king.
  - 1. The son of David is also the Lord of David (cf. Mt. 22:41 – 46).
- C. In the persecution of the Apostles in Acts 4 they recognize the fulfillment of Psalm 2. Kings and rulers of the earth are raging against God's King.
  - 1. Acts 4:24 – 27
  - 2. Additional references to the dominion of the King. (Zech. 9:9-10; Rev.12:5)

## II. Isaiah 2:1 – 3

- A. Note that these events would occur in the “last days.” (end times)
  - 1. This message of a mountain established by God would be announced by a message coming from Jerusalem.
  - 2. Daniel 2:35
  - 3. Luke 24:44 – 47

## III. Daniel 2:36 – 40, 44 – 45

- A. This fourth earthly kingdom was Rome (cf. Daniel 8:20 – 21)
  - 1. Daniel 7:13 – 14
  - 2. Luke 1:30 – 33; 2:1

## IV. Joel 2:28 – 32

- A. Note that these events would occur “afterward” in the “last days”. (Acts 2:17)
- B. The Holy Spirit identifies the fulfillment of this prophecy as having occurred on the Pentecost of Acts 2
- C. It remains true that “whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.”
  - 1. God gave testimony by the miraculous signs (power) (Mark 16:20; Acts 14:3)

**V. Acts 2: 30 - 36**

- A. The king is on His throne.
- B. He is calling all the nations to flow up to His mountain throne and become the subjects of the king.
- C. The apostles understood that the time for the kingdom was indeed “at hand.”
- D. What was established on that occasion was that Christ was on His throne. And that those willing to submit to His authority would be His people = His church.

**VI. The Kings requirements for entrance into His kingdom (Acts 2:37 – 41)**

- A. **Act 2:41** “So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.”
- B. Will you permit God to transfer you out of Satan’s domain and into the kingdom of God’s beloved Son? (Col. 1:13 - 14)