

“The Incarnation: God’s Solution to our Broken Rulership”

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Sermon Series- The Theology of the Incarnation

Big Idea- Mankind was originally given the right to rule as God’s vice-regents, but we sinned and marred this responsibility. Jesus became a human to restore it and lead us into what a righteous rulership looks like.

LESSON 1- For us to be restored to rule Jesus needed to take on HUMANITY

Vv. 5-9

- A. The humanity of Jesus was needed because rulership isn’t for ANGELS (Gen 1:26-28; 1 Cor 6:3; Rom 8:16-25; 2 Cor 4:17; 1 Pet 1:4; 5:1; 2 Tim 2:12; Luke 22:28-29; Rev 3:21; 5:10; 20:4, 6)
- B. The humanity of Jesus (and us) included a temporary LOWER STATUS (Heb 2:7, 9- “You have made him for a little while lower than angels.”)

Going *God wants us to exceedingly rejoice that we will be restored!*

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LESSON 2- For us to be restored to rule Jesus’ humanity made him ONE OF US

Vv. 10-13

- A. To “bring us to glory” Jesus became human and is not ASHAMED (Psalm 22:22; 18:2; Isaiah 8:17-18; John 6:27, 39; 17:1-26)

Going *God wants us to exalt Jesus because He is our human brother forever!*

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LESSON 3- For us to be restored to rule Jesus destroyed death through DEATH

Vv. 14-16

- A. The death of Jesus shows that He Himself is like us with FLESH/BLOOD (Isaiah 7:14; 9:6; Heb 2:14; Romans 8:3; Gal 4:4; John 1:14; 2 John 1:7)
- B. Through Jesus’ death he destroyed the devil and gives help to HUMANS (Colossians 2:14-15; Destroys our final enemy, “death” 1 Cor 15:54)

Going *God wants us to never fear death again because we have eternal life!*

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LESSON 4- For us to be restored to rule Jesus becomes our HIGH PRIEST

Vv. 17-18

- A. As high priest, he is merciful and sympathetic and INTERCEDES (Hebrews 4:15; 7:25; “propitiation” (payment); 1 John 2:2; 4:10)

Going *God wants us to rejoice that we can rule again but as righteous!*

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Our Vision- Striving to be Disciples who make Disciples