

“Sovereign Subjects”
God’s Covenantal Love Displayed
Hebrews 1: 1 – 4: 13
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Christ’s Name Rules Absolutely Everything And No One Is Outside His Kingdom , (vs. 4 – 12)

Message Emphasis: Many today do not see themselves under the rule of Christ. The reality is that everyone and everything is under the sovereign rule of Christ and nothing lies outside Christ’s kingdom. What sort of people ought we to be?

“The only sovereign I can allow to rule me is reason... Wishes and whims are not facts, nor are they a means to discovering them...We are free to evade the effort of thinking, to reject reason, but we are not free to avoid the penalty of the abyss we refuse to see.”

4.1) Christ Rules All Things By The Power Of His Name, (vs. 4 - 6) *What is in a name? ... What does Jesus’ name mean to me? ...What is in Christ’s Name? ...His Name “...Speaks” “...Is” “...Upholds” “...Makes”*

- **Christ’s Name Is Given To Him As The ONLY Begotten (Perf.Act.Ind) Son Of God, (vs. 5)** *ONLY, place of prominence... INHERITED / BEGOTTEN, as a purposed, ordained, planned act*

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne. Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

- **Christ’s Name Is The ONLY Name That Is To Be Worshiped (Aor.Act.Impv), (vs. 6)** *we worship ourselves... hobbies... athletics... children...*

“You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.” (Matthew 4:10, ESV)

Rev. 19: 10... Rev.22: 9... Rev 4: 10 (24 elders)... Rev 14: 7 (fear God)... Rev 15: 4... Ex 34: 14... 2 King 17: 36... Ps 45: 11...

“Having Become (Aor.Mid.Part) As Much Superior... As The Name He Has Inherited (Perf.Act.Ind)”

1) *“and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, 2) according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places... 3) above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come...” (Ephesians 1:19–23, ESV)*

Why should I trust in the name of Jesus? ...What is the proof?

- 1) The superiority, immeasurable greatness of Christ’s name is manifest in the salvation of lost souls
- 2) The proof of Christ’s name is in being raised from the dead
- 3) The worth of Christ’s name far exceeds any time, any place or any person

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave, And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save. His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

8.2) Christ Rules All Things Unseen & Eternal, (vs. 7 – 9) *the things of greater value...*

*My dad gave me one dollar bill 'Cause I'm his smartest son, And I swapped it for two shiny quarters 'Cause two is more than one!
And then I took the quarters And traded them to Lou For three dimes -- I guess he don't know That three is more than two!
Just then, along came old blind Bates And just 'cause he can't see He gave me four nickels for my three dimes, And four is more than three!
And I took the nickels to Hiram Coombs Down at the seed-feed store, And the fool gave me five pennies for them, And five is more than four!
And then I went and showed my dad, And he got red in the cheeks And closed his eyes and shook his head-- Too proud of me to speak!*

“The Scepter Of Uprightness Is The Scepter Of Your Kingdom”- 1) *“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, 2) the scepter of uprightiness is the scepter of your kingdom. 3) You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your 4) God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.” (Hebrews 1:8–9, ESV)*

- 1) A rule of righteousness is the ONLY thing that will last *...consider your best accomplishment- there is a way*
- 2) A rule of uprightiness and not corruption *...consider your best deed- filthy rags*
- 3) A rule that loves righteousness but hates wickedness *...consider your best motive- deceitfully wicked*
- 4) Christ’s kingdom is an anointed kingdom of gladness *...consider your best day- better is one day*

Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways From pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, and round His pierced feet Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

12.3) Christ Rules All Things Visible & Temporal, (vs. 10 – 12) *...Let us not settle for the things easier to see but of much less value*

“You Are The Same, And Your Years Will Have No End (Fut.Act.Ind)”- 1) *they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, 2) like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. 3) But you are the same, and your years will have no end.” (Hebrews 1:10–12, ESV)*

- 1) This world is ordained to perish
- 2) Christ will do away with the world as we know it now
- 3) Should we not trust in the one thing that will not wear out or be done away with?

***** The Question Is Not What Must I Do? Rather, What Must I Do To Be Saved? *****

Loving Father Gentle Mother Obedient Child Gracious Neighbor Moral Citizen

Message Directive: Look to Christ for the salvation of your soul & trust that He will bring you into His eternal kingdom.

“Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.” (Isaiah 45:22, ESV)

1) *“Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, 2) because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! 3) But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.” (2 Peter 3:11–13, ESV)*

- 1) Do you really understand what the “Last Day” means? Shouldn’t it make a difference in your life?
- 2) God will destroy the world as we know it; including the people who live on the earth.
- 3) As one who submits to Christ’s sovereign rule, the child of God has Christ’s promise to save.

Crown Him the Son of God, before the worlds began, And ye who tread where He hath trod, crown Him the Son of Man; Who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast, And takes and bears them for His own, that all in Him may rest

7. Christ's Superiority Is Praised In That His Rule Is Absolutely Sovereign, (vs. 13 - 14)
8. The Revelation Of Christ's Supremacy Over The Spiritual Realm Calls Us To Pay Closer Attention, (vs. 2: 1)
9. If We Neglect The Revelation Of Christ's Supremacy, We Will Not Escape The Judgment Of God, (vs. 2 - 3a)
10. The Revelation Of Christ's Supremacy Has Every Tangible Proof That What God Has Said Is True, (vs. 3b - 4)

- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Earthly Realm, (vs. 2: 5 - 18)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Mosaic Law (vs. 3: 1 - 4: 13)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Mosaic Temple (vs. 4: 14 - 6: 12)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Abrahamic Identity, (vs. 6: 13 - 7: 10)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Aaronic Priesthood, (vs. 7: 11 - 28)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Means He Is Greater Than All The Old Covenant, (vs. 8: 1 - 10: 39)**

- **The Supremacy Of Christ Provides A Faith That Has Been Demonstrated As Reliable, (vs. 11: 1 - 40)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Provides A Faith That Will Persevere Through Extreme Difficulty, (vs. 12: 1 - 29)**
- **The Supremacy Of Christ Provides A Faith That Changes The Entire Perspective Of The Believer, (vs. 13: 1 - 25)**