

## Session 5

# **Christ's Kingdom: How To Prepare for Our Future Role**

# **Theme:**

Praying is training for reigning with  
Christ in His future Kingdom.

# **Biblical Foundation:**

“Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years...And they shall reign forever and ever.”

Revelation 20:6; 22:5b NKJV™

# The Purpose of This Session

is to help believers to grow in three royal  
and priestly functions through prayer.

**A. Christ will [return] to  
conquer evil. (Revelation 19)**

1. Christ is coming back as universal King.

“Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.”

Revelation 19:11-13 NKJV™

“I was watching in the night visions,  
And behold, One like the Son of Man,  
Coming with the clouds of heaven!  
He came to the Ancient of Days,  
And they brought Him near before Him.  
Then to Him was given dominion and glory and  
a kingdom,  
That all peoples, nations, and languages should  
serve Him.  
His dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
Which shall not pass away,  
And His kingdom the one Which shall not be  
destroyed.”

Daniel 7:13,14 NKJV™

## 2. Satan will be chained for a thousand years.

“Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.”

Revelation 20:1-3 NKJV™

He and his demons will be expelled to hell forever.

“And the devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”

Revelation 20:10 NKJV™

“Then He will also say to those on the left hand, “Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:”

Matthew 25:41 NKJV™

3. God's strategy today involves evangelism through prayer.

“Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men... Who [God] desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”

1 Timothy 2:1,4 NKJV™

## **B. Christ is preparing believers to [rule] with Him in His Kingdom**

1. His people will rule with Him as priests.

“Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”

Revelation 20:6 NKJV™

2. Old Testament priests did not rule.  
Kings were the rulers. Priests led in  
worship and prayer.

## **C. How will priests rule in Christ's coming Kingdom?**

1. Earthly rulers under a king have three royal responsibilities. They:
  - a) Assess needs of the people in their domain
  - b) Requisition supplies for those needs
  - c) Distribute those supplies to areas in need

2. Intercessors (priests) have the same royal job description:

- a) **Assessment:** We discern specific human needs and/or spiritual opponents as prayer burdens from God.
- b) **Requisition:** We request God's supplies for those problems in prayer.
- c) **Distribution:** We act in obedient faith to get His supplies to the areas of need, and to bring glory to Him.

3. The three-fold work of intercessors [affects] the way God deals with the world today.

“He saw that there was no man,  
And wondered that there was no intercessor;  
Therefore His own arm brought salvation  
for Him;  
And His own righteousness,  
it sustained Him.”

Isaiah 59:16 NKJV™

“According to their deeds,  
    accordingly He will repay,  
Fury to His adversaries,  
Recompense to His enemies;  
The coastlands He will fully repay.  
So shall they fear  
The name of the Lord from the west,  
And His glory from the rising of the sun;  
When the enemy comes in like a flood,  
The Spirit of the Lord will lift up a  
    standard against him.”

Isaiah 59:18-19 NKJV™

“The Redeemer will come to Zion,  
And to those who turn from  
transgression in Jacob’,  
Says the Lord.”

Isaiah 59:20 NKJV™

4. God is urgently seeking for intercessors who will carry out these three royal functions.

“Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and nursing babes; let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, and the bride from her dressing room. Let the priests, who minister to the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar;

Joel 2:15-19 continued

Let them say, ‘Spare Your people, O Lord, and do not give Your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, “Where is their God?”’ Then the Lord will be zealous for His land, and pity His people. The Lord will answer and say to His people, ‘Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil, and you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations.’”

Joel 2:15-19 NKJV™

# Conclusion:

God is preparing us to reign with Christ in His Kingdom by prayer. Our development in prayer, therefore, is as important as receiving answers from Him.

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