



Sermon series: Visions of a King
Text: Zechariah 14:1-21
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The Exalted King

Big Idea: We worship Jesus as King by living now in light of the future.

**Jesus is exalted as the King who _____ his people from their _____.
(vs.1-5)**

We worship Jesus now as we _____ to him in the midst of our troubles.

Jesus is exalted as the King who makes _____ . (vs. 6-11)

In the darkness of this world, we worship Jesus by _____ him to make all things new.

Jesus is exalted as the _____ King. (vs. 12-19)

We worship Jesus now as we _____ to him as our King.

Jesus is exalted as the King who _____ his people _____. (vs.20-21)

We worship Jesus now by _____ holiness.

Worship Jesus now by meditating on the future he has promised!

“One day, John knew, Heaven would come down and mend God’s broken world and make it our true, perfect home once again. And he knew, in some mysterious way that would be hard to explain, that everything was going to be more wonderful for once having been so sad. And he knew that the ending of The Story was going to be so great, it would make all the sadness and tears and everything seem like just a shadow that is chased away by the morning sun.” -Sally Lloyd-Jones

Over the past three weeks we have talked about three images that the Bible gives us of Jesus. He is a warrior, a shepherd, and an exalted king? Which of these images resonates the most with you? Why?

What are specific ways you have seen Jesus rescuing you from trouble in the midst of your own life? Read Psalm 40:1-3 again. In what areas of your life have you seen these verses to be true?



What are the ways you see a longing for paradise show up in your own life? What are ways you might end up pursuing paradise in this world and in things found in this world?

How does Christmas enable us to be honest about the darkness of this world and yet still have hope and joy?

Is it unsettling to you to think about Jesus as a King who will judge his enemies? Why or why not?

What are some of the ways that you might be prone to view Jesus as a butler rather than a King?

What difference does it can it make your life when you submit to Jesus as King rather than seeking to be king yourself? (Think of and apply this to very specific situation – with your kids, at work, in your marriage, at school, with friends, etc).

Why is it good news that Jesus is going to make us perfectly holy? How can that encourage you to pursue holiness today?

What is it about the future return of Jesus that gets you most excited? Make a list and spend some time meditating on those things and worshiping Jesus because of them this week?