

I. There was no king in Israel and everyone did what was right in their own eyes (chapter 21) BUT...

II. There is a King coming who will do what is right in the LORD's eyes—He will be a man after The LORD's own heart

- **DAVID - 1 KINGS 15:4-5** “for David's sake the Lord his God gave him a lamp in Jerusalem, setting up his son after him, and establishing Jerusalem, because David did what was right in the eyes of the Lord and did not turn aside from anything that he commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.”
- **JESUS - PHILIPPIANS 2:7-11** “[Jesus], though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

III. There is a King coming who will defeat the Giant enemies of the LORD's people—He will slay the Giants that lurk in the valley of the shadow of death

- **DAVID - 2 SAMUEL 17 42** And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. 43 And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field.” 45 Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, 47 and that all this assembly may know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hand.”
- **JESUS -** “[Jesus cancelled] the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in [the cross].” **Col. 2:14-15**

IV. There is a King coming who will establish a kingdom that will never end—He will make all things new, and we will reign with Him in glory

- **DAVID - 2 SAMUEL 7:16** “And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”
- **JESUS - REVELATION 22:3-5** 3 No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

"I am the boy
That Herod wanted to destroy.
You gave my parents room to give
Me life, and then God let me live,
And took your wife. Ask me not why
The one should live, another die.
God's ways are high, and you will know
In time. But I have come to show
You what the Lord prepared the night
you made a place for heaven's Light.

In two weeks they will crucify
My flesh. But mark this, Jacob, I
Will rise in three days from the dead,
And place my foot upon the head
Of him who has the power of death,
And I will raise with life and breath
Your wife and Ben and Joseph too,
And give them, Jacob, back to you
With everything the world can store,
And you will reign forever more.
- John Piper, The Innkeeper

Beloved, the King has come.

- Yet He is not only the King; **He is the Prophet.** He reveals God perfectly to us.
- And He is not only a Prophet and a King; **He is a Priest.** He reconciled God to us by the blood of His cross.
- **Trust His work as your substitute. Kiss His ring. Bow at His feet. Fall before Him and beg, “Though my sins are like scarlet, wash me white as snow!”**