

New England Bible Conference-October 18th 2008

My God is King

Introduction

Israel was originally redeemed by God to be a Kingdom of Priests Exodus 19.6 The LORD delivered them with divine power from their enemies (Exodus 15.1-4 and KEY: 18 "The LORD shall reign forever and ever"). That did not last. Once in the land they ignored the rule of God in their midst. In the past, there was a Moses (military leader). Then there was a Joshua (military leader). However, He warned, "Know for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out any of these nations from before you..." They slowly rejected God's rule and served other gods and idols. After the death of Joshua, there was no military leader. The enemies began to encroach against Israel. God raised up Judges to deliver His people. NOTE: Judges were not kings. They were largely deliverers from Israel's enemy. They were chiefly military leaders with limited jurisdiction. There were three spiritual men during the times of the Judges who saw features of the theocracy which are worthy of our examination:

GIDEON's PROPHECY: "The LORD shall rule over you".

ELIMILECH's PERSON "My God is King"

SAMUEL's PROBLEM Rule without God

Reading I

The problem of no king (Judges 17:6, 19:1, 21:25)

1. Famine (Ruth 1:1)
2. Moral declension (Judges 19)
3. Rarity of revelation (1 Sam 3:1)
4. A remnant (Elimelech's family, Naomi, Boaz, Hannah)

Reading II

The pursuit of a king

5. The request (Judges 8.22 and 1 Sam 8:5,6, 19)
6. The motive (1 Sam 8:5, 20)
7. The problem of a wrong king (1 Sam 8: 7,8; 10:1,19)

Reading III

The Perfect King

8. Did God intend for a king to rule His people? (Answer seen in the Perfect King, Ruth 4:21, Sam 2:10, Psalm 2:6-7)
9. Remnant at the Messiah's birth (Luke 1-2; Zacharias, Simeon, & Anna)
10. Do I know God's king?
11. What is our relationship to God's king?
12. Do we give Him, His rightful place?
 - a. In my personal life
 - b. In my family life
 - c. In my Assembly life
13. Areas of Obedience or Lordship Examples
 - a. "Remember Me" (a Command) - Some don't obey it.
 - b. Be baptized (another command) Some have never obeyed it.
 - c. Preach the Gospel. Some have never talked to a soul about Christ.

9:30 - 10:00 AM	Prayer
10:00 - 10:15 AM	Break
10:15 - 12:00 PM	Reading I
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 - 2:45 PM	Reading II
2:45 - 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Reading III
4:00 - 4:15 PM	Break
4:15 - 5:00 PM	Gospel or Ministry

"Why call ye me Lord, Lord and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6.46

