

Second Advent: The Return of The King

Sermon Description

When you think about the return of Jesus, what comes to mind? When we look to Scripture, we see that Jesus declared that his mission was a Kingdom. And in his return, he will banish evil and restore his creation. This is exciting news when you consider that you're a citizen of his Kingdom.

Sermon Points:

- 1. In his birth, Jesus was declared to be a Savior King.
- 2. In his ministry, Jesus declared that his mission was a Kingdom.
- 3. In his return, Jesus will banish evil and restore his creation.

Group Opener: How good are you at waiting? Describe a recent time when you were frustrated by having to wait. What are some of the benefits of waiting for something special?

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Read Matthew 16:27. Do you ever think about being a citizen of the kingdom of Jesus and what that means? How does our future citizenship effect today?
- 2. How can celebrating Jesus's birth gear our thoughts towards His return?

 Does having a "return" focus, affect your daily patterns & struggles? Explain.
- 3. Christmas is a great time to shift our thoughts outward with eternal perspective. Brainstorm ideas you as a group, or as individuals, can share Jesus's love with someone or some group.
- 4. Howard Hendricks once said, "Only two things last forever: the Word of God and the souls of people." By knowing that nothing we have or accomplish in this life will last accept the people we influence, who are the people you feel called to reach and invest in?

Memory Verse: Matthew 16:27

