



# CHRIST

*In the Old Testament*

Christ's Exaltation as Sovereign King and Eternal High Priest

Psalm 110



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  - “The LORD” (Yahweh), God the Father, speaks to David’s Lord (Adonai), Messiah – God the Son
    - David calls the coming Messiah “my Lord” - someone greater than he
    - Christ quotes this verse (Matt 22:41-45, Mark 12:36, Luke 20:42-43) to make the point that Messiah is both human (son of David) and divine (greater than David)

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Matthew 22:41–45 <sup>41</sup>Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question: <sup>42</sup>“What do you think about the Christ, whose son is He?” They said to Him, “*The son of David.*” <sup>43</sup>He said to them, “Then how does David in the Spirit call Him ‘Lord,’ saying, <sup>44</sup>“THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, “SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, UNTIL I PUT YOUR ENEMIES BENEATH YOUR FEET” ’? <sup>45</sup>“If David then calls Him ‘Lord,’ how is He his son?”

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  - Christ sits in the place of highest honor and authority

**Mark 16:19** <sup>19</sup>So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.

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**Hebrews 10:10–13** <sup>10</sup>By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. <sup>11</sup>Every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins; <sup>12</sup>but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD, <sup>13</sup>waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET.

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**Acts 2:33–36** <sup>33</sup>“Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear. <sup>34</sup>For it was not David who ascended into heaven, but he himself says: ‘THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, “SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, <sup>35</sup>UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET.” ’ <sup>36</sup>Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.”

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A. Christ as the exalted Son of God (1)

B. Christ as the final Sovereign King (2-3)

- Christ will sovereignly rule from Zion upon His return (2)
  - God the Father will stretch forth Christ's sovereign rule
  - Christ will rule from Zion in the millennial kingdom

**Revelation 14:1** *Then I looked, and behold, the Lamb was standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His name and the name of His Father written on their foreheads.*

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- *Christ will be a unique and final high priest forever (4b)*
  - *The New Testament affirms that Jesus became our Great High Priest*

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- **The New**

**Hebrews 3:1** <sup>1</sup>Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession;

**Hebrews 4:14–16** <sup>14</sup>Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are*, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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**Hebrews 7:21**<sup>21</sup> (for they indeed became priests *(under Mosaic Law)* without an oath, but He *(Jesus)* with an oath through the One who said to Him, “The Lord has sworn And will not change His mind, ‘You are a priest forever’ ”);

**Hebrews 7:24**<sup>24</sup> but Jesus, on the other hand, because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently.

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**Genesis 14:17–20** <sup>17</sup>Then after his (*Abram's*) return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). <sup>18</sup>And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; now he was a priest of God Most High. <sup>19</sup>He blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; <sup>20</sup>And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." He gave him a tenth of all.

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## Melchizedek

- Only story found is in Genesis 14:17-20 in the time of Abram
- King of Salem, the city that later became Jerusalem
- Priest of God Most High, outside the Mosaic Law, outside the Levitical priesthood, and not a descendent of Aaron

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- Christ will be a unique and final high priest forever (4b)
  - *The New Testament affirms that Jesus became our Great High Priest*
  - *He is a priest according to the order of Melchizedek*
    - Christ will be both a king and a priest
    - Christ is appointed by God as a priest outside the Mosaic Law and Old Covenant
    - Hebrews speaks of Christ as the Great High Priest, beyond compare

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*Hebrews 7:17* <sup>17</sup>For it is attested of Him, “You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.”

*Hebrews 7:27–28* <sup>27</sup>He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. <sup>28</sup>For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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- The Father will be with Christ in preparing for His kingdom and ensuring victory (5)
  - God the Father will then be at Christ's right hand (5a)
  - Kings will be utterly defeated by Him in the day of His wrath (5b)

**Joel 2:11** <sup>11</sup>The Lord utters His voice before His army; Surely His camp is very great, For strong is he who carries out His word. The day of the Lord is indeed great and very awesome, And who can endure it?

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*Revelation 6:16–17* <sup>16</sup>and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; <sup>17</sup>for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”

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**Revelation 19:15** <sup>15</sup>From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty.

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## D. *Christ as the Judge and Victor (5-7)*

- *The Father will be with Christ in preparing for His kingdom and ensuring victory (5)*
- *Christ will judge and utterly crush His enemies globally (6)*
  - *Christ will determine those who are His enemies – those who oppose Him (6a)*

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- The Father will
- Christ will judge
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**Matthew 25:31–33,46**<sup>31</sup>“But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>“All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; <sup>33</sup>and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left...<sup>46</sup>“These (*the goats*) will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

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  - Christ will decimate His enemies globally (6b)

**Daniel 2:44**<sup>44</sup> “In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and *that* kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.”

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*Revelation 6:15–17* <sup>15</sup>Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; <sup>16</sup>and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; <sup>17</sup>for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”

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## D. Christ as the Judge and King

- The Father will be with Christ
- Christ will judge and rule the world
  - Christ will determine the fate of the nations
  - Christ will decimate the wicked

**Revelation 19:19–21** <sup>19</sup>And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. <sup>20</sup>And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. <sup>21</sup>And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

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## D. *Christ as the Judge and Victor (5-7)*

- *The Father will be with Christ in preparing for His kingdom and ensuring victory (5)*
- *Christ will judge and utterly crush His enemies globally (6)*
- *Christ will be totally victorious (7)*
  - *He will be at ease and under no threat in His reign (7a)*
  - *He will lift up His head in complete victory (7b)*

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**Revelation 19:16** <sup>16</sup>And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written,  
“KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.”

# Closing Reflections

- *The amazing messianic prophecies of Psalm 110 clearly point to Jesus Christ*
- *There is no one like Jesus!*
- *Christ is coming again as exalted Son of God, Sovereign King, eternal High Priest, Judge, and Victor!*
- *Are you excited?*
- *Are you ready?*