

THE STORY OF GOD: THE KING OF ISRAEL

JEREMIAH 23:5-6 — JAN 31, 2010

What kind of king had God been to Israel?

God's judgments brought Israel astonishing good.
God conquered all Israel's enemies.
God delivered Israel from all her afflictions.

God had been the perfect king.

How did Israel respond to God as her king?

1 Samuel 8:7-8

Israel wanted a human king because she didn't want God as king.
God responded by raising up Saul, David, and Solomon to be kings over Israel.

Why would God let men take his place as king of Israel?

To show what happens when we turn from having God as our king.

Compare Saul's kingship with God's.
Compare David's kingship with God's.
Compare Solomon's kingship with God's.

But God promises Israel another king who will restore everything.

What kind of king does God promise Israel?

Jeremiah 23:5-6 — a king in David's line who's perfectly righteous and who saves Israel.
Zechariah 9:9-10 — a king who is humble and who's rule covers the entire earth.
Isaiah 9:6-7 — a king who's fully man and fully God.

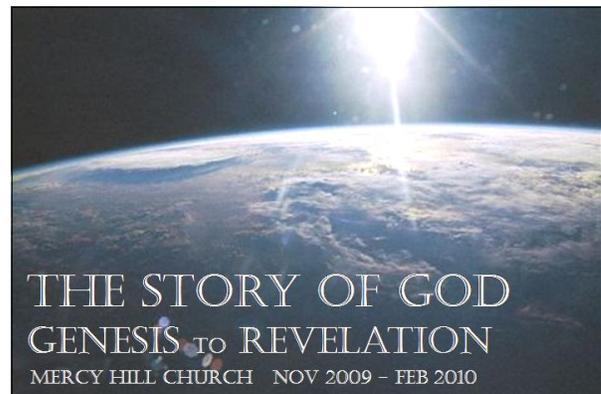
Who is this king?

Jesus is Israel's king — and the king of the universe.

What does this mean for us?

Surrender your life to Jesus.

See all you have in Jesus.



HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

In what areas of your life are you surrendering to Jesus as King?

In what areas are you struggling to surrender to Jesus as King? What's at the root of this? Are you willing to ask Jesus to change your heart in these areas?

In what areas of your life are you doubting Jesus' goodness as King? What's at the root of this? What would Jesus say about this?

What's your take-away from this message? What are you going to do differently? When? How?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

