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“Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

Matthew 25:21



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The Monarchy, Past, Present & Future



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- The Biblical foundation of the Monarchy
- The Biblical mandate for Monarchy
- The Biblical future for the Monarchy



The Biblical foundation of the Monarchy

- The first Monarchy in Scripture (history?) is found in Genesis 14
- We read of a King of [Jeru]Salem by the name of Melchizedek
 - ‘King of Righteousness’
- He was both a king and priest

¹⁸ And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

Genesis 14:18

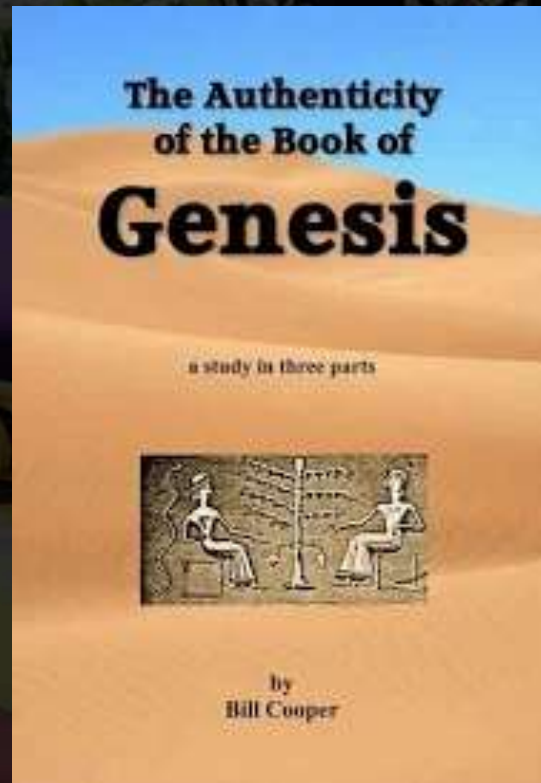
King Melchizedek

- ¹ For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
- ² To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
- ³ Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

Hebrews 7:1-7

The Biblical foundation of the Monarchy

- Dr Bill Cooper points out that this Monarchy had begun shortly after the flood and lasted up until Joshua's conquest of Canaan



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- *“As to the time when this Priestley royal office ended in Jerusalem we are afforded a possible glimpse in the book of Joshua. There we hear of a king of Jerusalem named Adonai-Zedek, his name meaning Lord of righteousness. This name, as well as those of the two predecessors of his that we know about, is in accordance with all that we know concerning this royal line. Yet scripture, intriguingly, calls him only king of Jerusalem. There is no hint of priesthood here. Moreover, this king, Adonai-Zedek, who was probably Ebed-Tob’s immediate successor, was slain at the battle of Gibeon whilst resisting the Israelite possession of Canaan”.*

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- *“Did the priestly royal line of Jerusalem end then when the Tabernacle entered Canaan? It seems that it did. A newly established priesthood had arrived in Canaan in Adonai-Zedek’s day with the Tabernacle, and there was to be no other king over Israel than God himself. Melchizedek, back in the 19th century BC, lasted at least the 500 years from his own time down to that of Ebed-Tob’s, and very likely 500 years before Melchizedek, from the earliest days after the flood. It was, in short, a 1000 year living testimony to the promise that God made in Genesis 3:15, even in the darkest periods of mankind's history, God does not leave Himself - or His internal Word - without a witness”.*

— Dr Bill Cooper, Authenticity of the book of Genesis

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- From Scripture we know that this earliest of Monarchy's was established by God
- The writer to the Hebrews draws a clear parallel between Melchizedek and Jesus Christ. (Heb ch7)
 - Melchizedek was intentionally a forerunner of Jesus
- Both were 'High Priest's'
- Both would hold the office of 'King of Jerusalem'

The Biblical foundation of the Monarchy

- Prophetically, Balaam speaks of the Monarchy that would come out of Israel...

20 Behold, I have received commandment to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.

21 He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel: the LORD his God is with him, and the shout of a king is among them.

Numbers 23:20-21

14 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me;

15 Thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which is not thy brother.

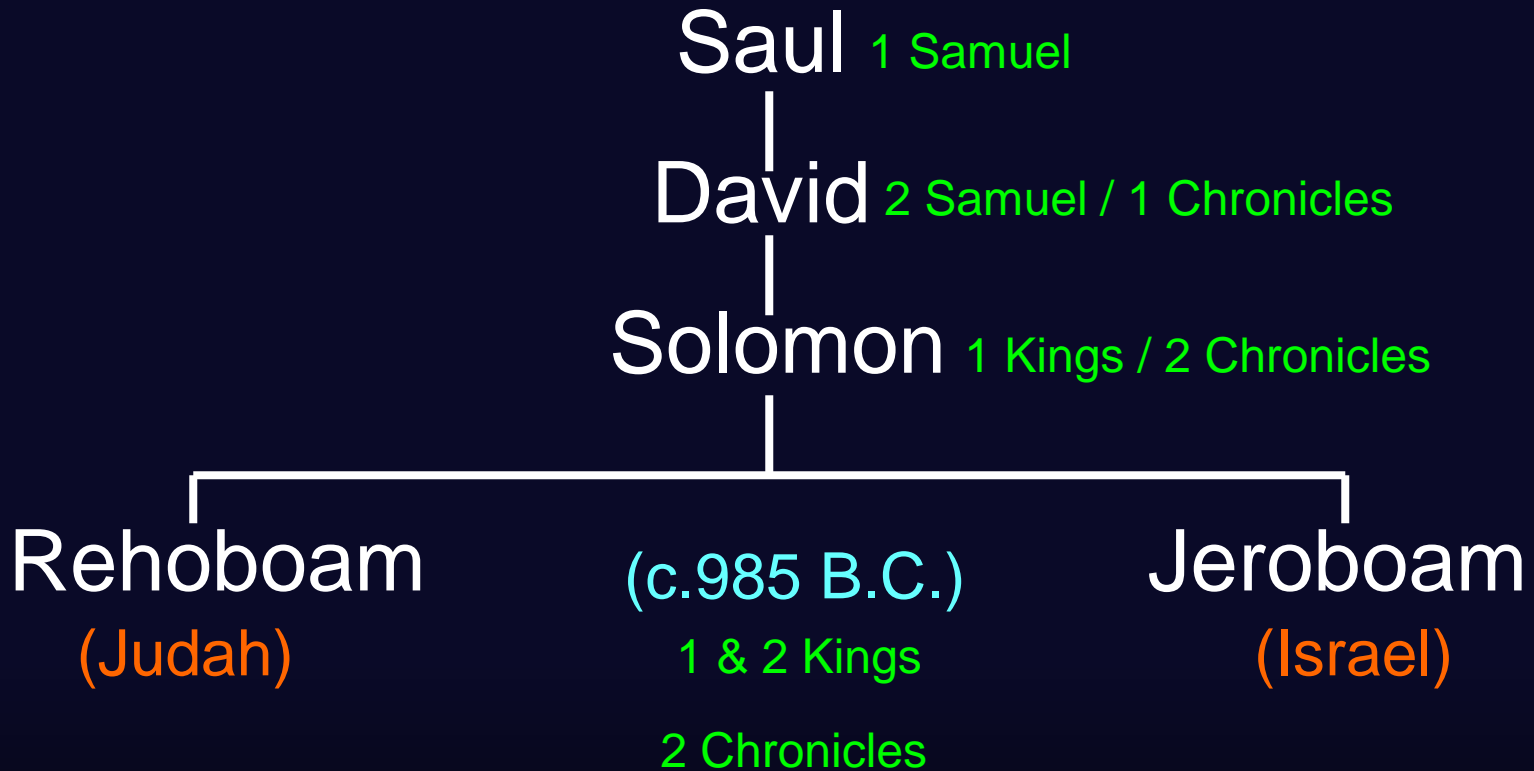
Deuteronomy 17:14-15

- God pre-empted their desire for a man to rule over them...
- But lays the foundation for that Man to be God!

The Wait for the King

- The book of Judges records that Israel served God *'all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua'* (Judges 2:7),
- But when these people had died, *'every man did what seemed right in their own eyes.'* (Judges 17:6).
- This paved the way for the monarchy and the nation cried out for a king

The Monarchy



The Throne of David

¹² And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

¹³ He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

2 Sam 7:12-16

The Throne of David

¹⁴ I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:

¹⁵ But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

¹⁶ And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

2 Sam 7:12-16

The Throne of David

Matthew:

Solomon

Rehoboam

Abijah

Asa

Jehoshaphat

Jehoram

Ahaziah*

Joash*

Amaziah*

Uzziah

Jotham

Ahaz

Hezekiah

Manasseh

Amon

Josiah

Jehoiakim*

Jehoiachin*

Salathiel**

Zerubbabel

Abiud

Eliakim

Azor

Sadoc

Achim

Eliud

Eleazar

Matthan

Jacob

Joseph

Luke:

Nathan

Mattatha

Menan

Melea

Eliakim

Jonan

Joseph

Juda

Simeon

Levi

Matthat

Jorim

Eliezer

Jose

Er

Elmodam

Cosam

Addi

Melchi

Neri

Salathiel**

Zerubbabel

Rhesa

Joanna

Juda

Joseph

Semei

Mattathias

Maath

Nagge

Esli

Naum

Amos

Mattathias

Joseph

Janna

Melchi

Levi

Matthat

Heli

(Mary)

The Arrival of the King

- 1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came **wise men** from the east to Jerusalem,
- 2 **Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews?** for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
- 3 When Herod the king had heard these things, **he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.**

Matthew 2:1-3

The King Makers

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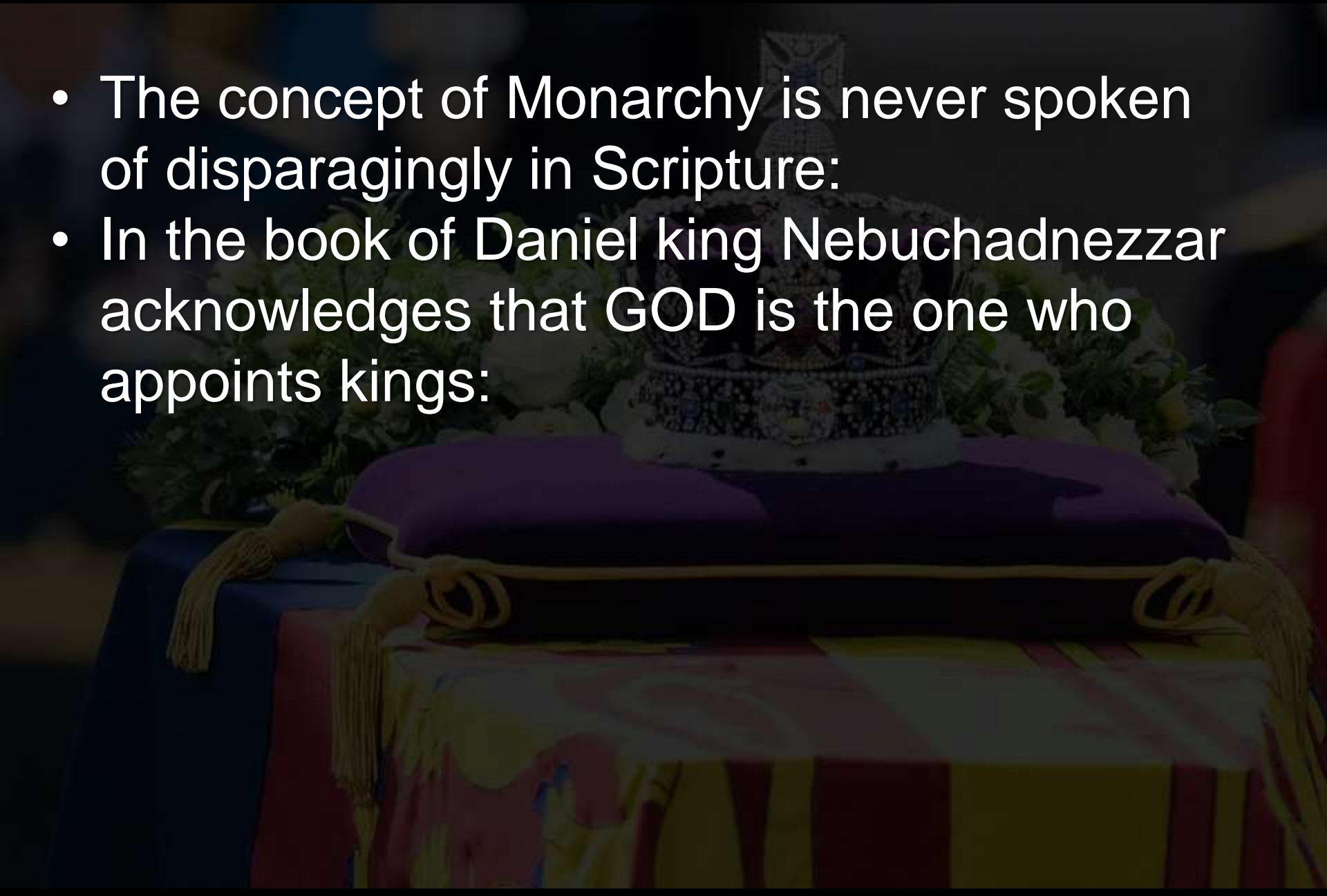
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- 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.
- 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:
- 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Luke 1:31-33

The Biblical mandate for Monarchy

- The concept of Monarchy is never spoken of disparagingly in Scripture:
- In the book of Daniel king Nebuchadnezzar acknowledges that GOD is the one who appoints kings:



Daniel 4:31

While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.

Daniel 4:32-33

And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

Daniel 4:34

And at the end of the days I
Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes
unto heaven, and mine understanding
returned unto me, and I blessed the
most High, and I praised and honoured
him that liveth for ever, whose
dominion is an everlasting dominion, and
his kingdom is from generation to
generation:

Daniel 4:35

And all the inhabitants of the earth
are reputed as nothing; and he doeth
according to his will in the army of
heaven, and among the inhabitants of
the earth; and none can stay his hand,
or say unto him, What doest thou?

Daniel 4:36-37

At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.

Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

The Biblical mandate for Monarchy

- Paul specifically tells us that kings are appointed by God and that we should pray for them!

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

Romans 13:1-2

The Biblical mandate for Monarchy

- Paul specifically tells us that kings are appointed by God and that we should pray for them!

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-5

The Biblical mandate for Monarchy

- It was this God-given mandate that inspired and motivated Queen Elizabeth II to serve in the manner she did.



The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- David was promised his throne would last forever (7x)
- Mary was promised that Jesus would sit on the Throne of David
- On Palm Sunday the crowd cried out:

³⁸ Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord

Luke 19:38

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- At the Ascension the Disciples ask when the Monarchy will be reestablished?

- 6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?
- 7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power

Acts 1:6-7

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- In the book of Daniel we have one of the clearest prophecies of the timing of the coming Monarchy:

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Daniel 2:44

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- Zechariah reiterates the certainty of the coming Monarchy:

⁹ And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.

Zechariah 14:9

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- Zechariah reiterates the certainty of the coming Monarchy:

¹⁶ And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Zechariah 14:16

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- John records the commencement of the coming Monarchy

II *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.*

Revelation 19:11

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- John records the commencement of the coming Monarchy

¹⁶ And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 19:16

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4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Revelation 20:4

The Biblical future for the Monarchy

- Over 1800 verses in the Old Testament speak of the coming kingdom on earth as being a literal kingdom
- This was the prayer Jesus taught His disciples to pray... 'Thy KINGDOM come'
- Everything is now set for this to be fulfilled!

King Jesus

- King of Saints x1 Rev 15:3
- King of kings x3 1Tim 6:15 / Rev 17:14 / Rev 19:16
- King of Israel x6 Is 44:6 / Zeph 3:15 / Matt 27:42 / Mark 15:32 / John 1:49 / John 12:13 /
- King of the Jews x18 Mt 2:2; 27:11; 27:29; 27:37 / Mk 15:2; 15:9; 15:12; 15:18; 15:26 / Lk 23:3; 23:37; 23:38 / Jn 18:33; 18:39; 19:3; 19:19; 19:21(2)
- Thy King x4 Hos 13:10 / Zech 9:9 / Mt 21:5 / Jn 12:15
- Total = 28x to do with National Israel

The Coming King



The Coming King

- Have we begun to understand just who He is?
- The Gospel of Matthew presents Jesus as the king of the Jews, the king of Israel...
- But He is also...
 - The King of the ages
 - The King of Heaven
 - The King of Glory
 - The King of Kings
 - The Lord of lords



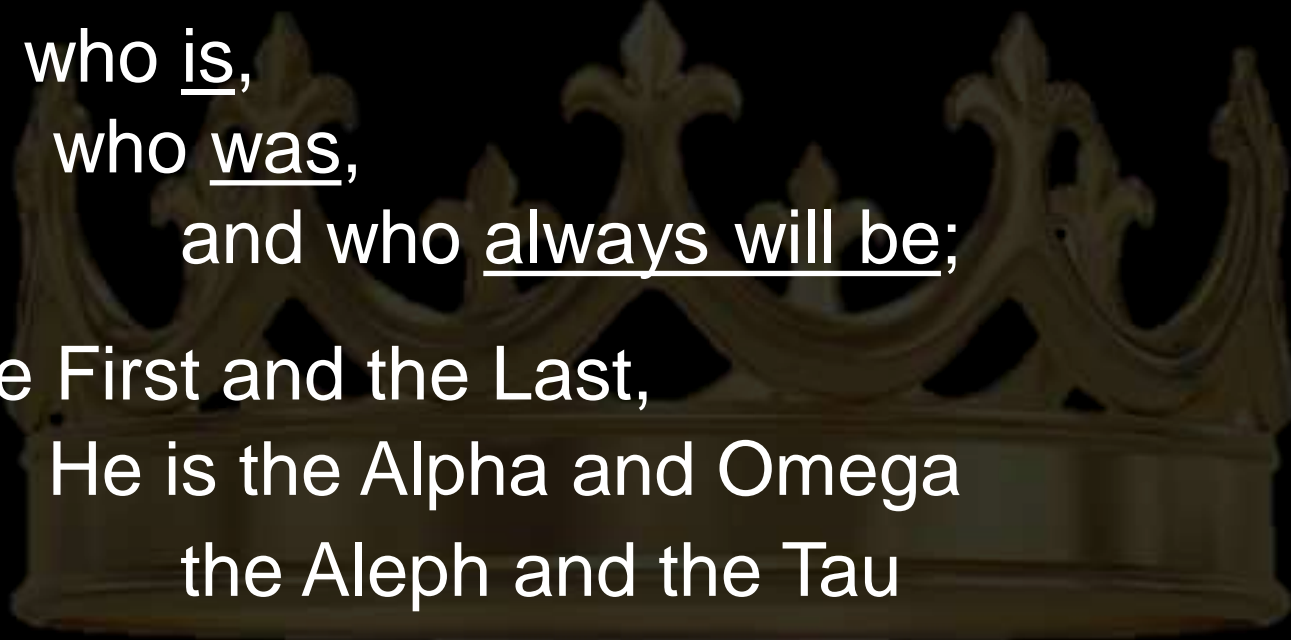
The Coming King

- A Prophet before Moses;
- A Priest after Melchizedek;
- A Champion like Joshua;
- An Offering in the place of Isaac;
- A King from the line of David;
- A wise Counselor above Solomon;
- A beloved / rejected / exalted Son like Joseph;

And yet far more.....

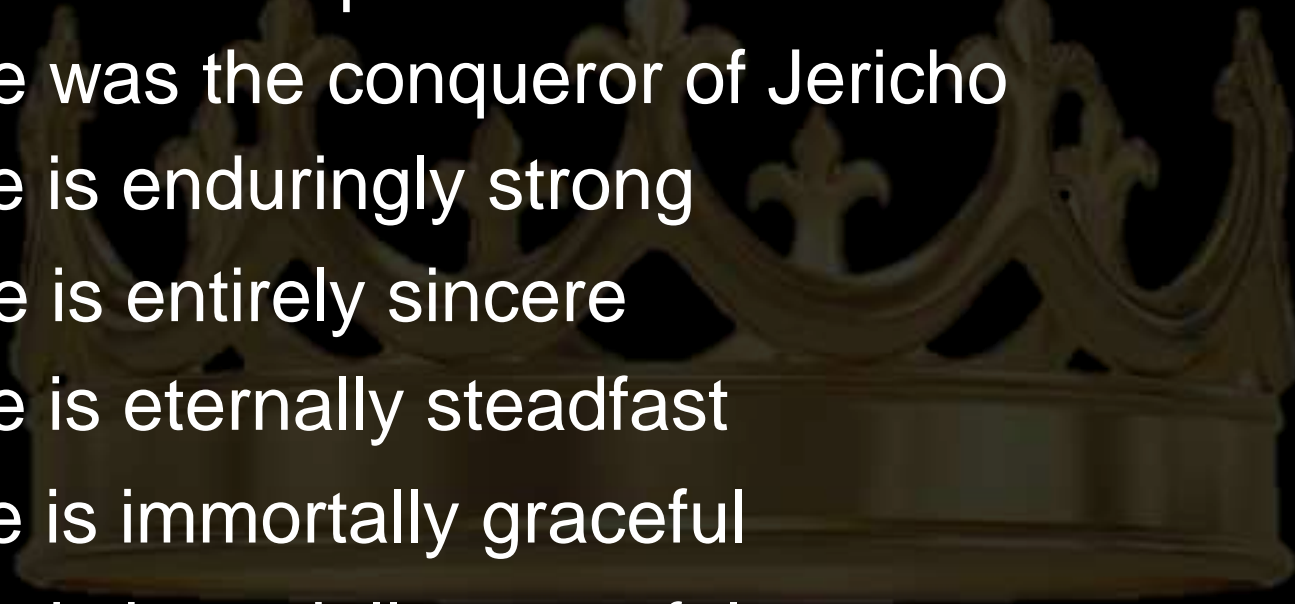
The Coming King

- The Heavens declare His glory.....
and the firmament shows His handiwork...
- He who is,
who was,
and who always will be;
- The First and the Last,
He is the Alpha and Omega
the Aleph and the Tau
the A and the Z;
- He is the first fruits of them that slept.



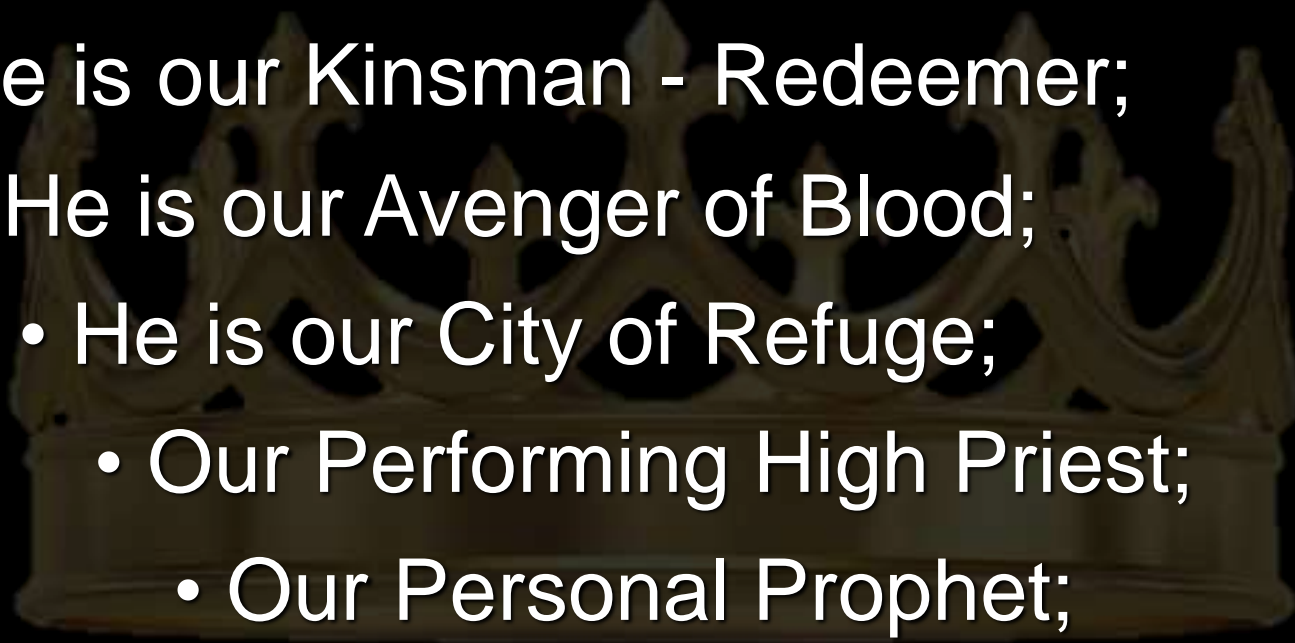
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- He is the “I AM that I AM”
- The voice of the burning bush
- He is the Captain of the Lord’s Host
- He was the conqueror of Jericho
- He is enduringly strong
- He is entirely sincere
- He is eternally steadfast
- He is immortally graceful
- He is imperially powerful
- He is impartially merciful



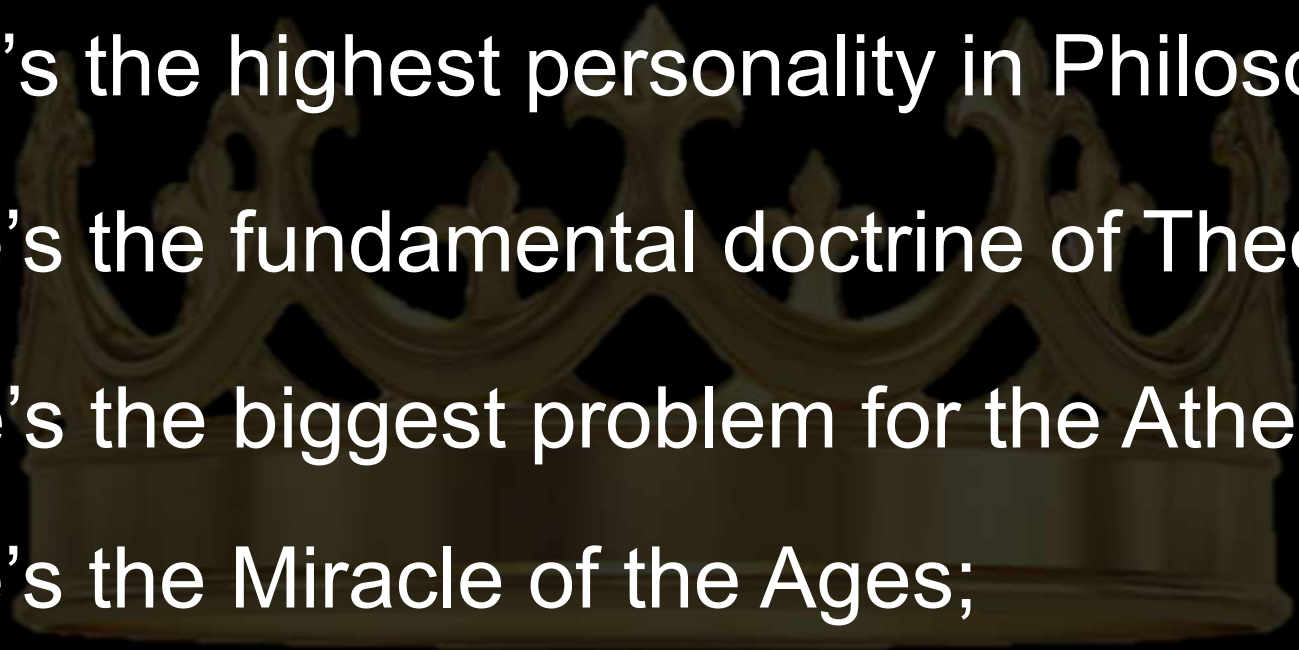
The Coming King

- In Him dwells the fullness of the Godhead bodily;
- The “very God of very God”;
- He is our Kinsman - Redeemer;
- He is our Avenger of Blood;
- He is our City of Refuge;
- Our Performing High Priest;
- Our Personal Prophet;
- Our Reigning King;



The Coming King

- He's the loftiest idea in Literature;
- He's the highest personality in Philosophy;
- He's the fundamental doctrine of Theology;
- He's the biggest problem for the Atheists!
- He's the Miracle of the Ages;
- He's the superlative of everything good



The Coming King

We are the beneficiaries of a love letter;

It was written in blood;

on a wooden cross;

erected in Judea

2,000 years ago

He was crucified on a cross of wood;

....Yet He made the hill on which it stood;

In fact.....

The Coming King

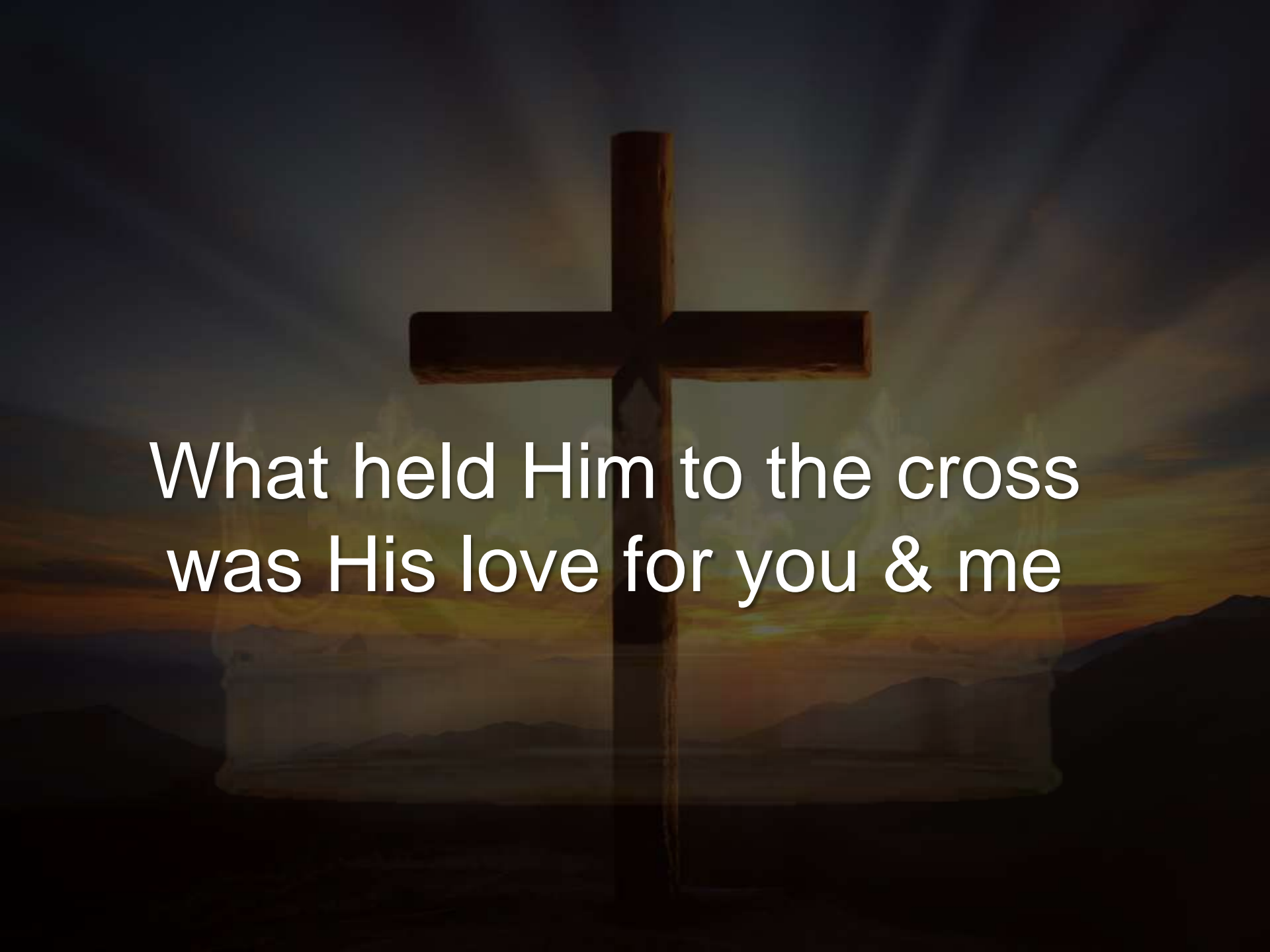
“By Him were all things made that were made”;
“Without Him was not anything made that was made”
“By Him are all things held together”!

So a question:

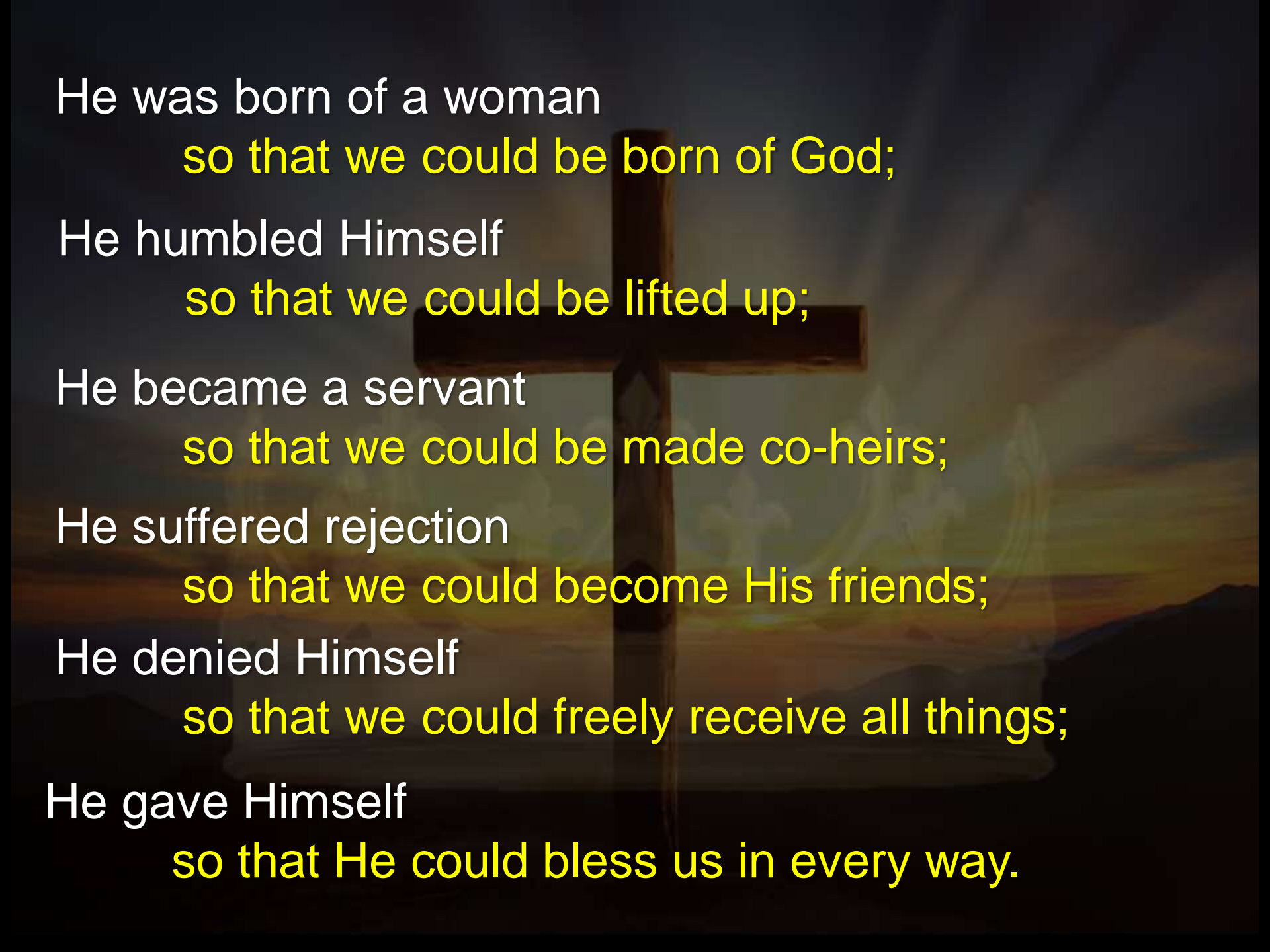
What held Him to that cross?

It wasn't the nails!

(At any time He could have declared - “enough”
and called upon legions of Angels to come to His aid!)

A wooden cross stands in the center of the frame against a dramatic sky at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of dark blues, purples, and oranges. In the background, there are silhouettes of mountains. The cross is made of two thick wooden beams. The text is overlaid on the cross and the sky.

What held Him to the cross
was His love for you & me



He was born of a woman

so that we could be born of God;

He humbled Himself

so that we could be lifted up;

He became a servant

so that we could be made co-heirs;

He suffered rejection

so that we could become His friends;

He denied Himself

so that we could freely receive all things;

He gave Himself

so that He could bless us in every way.



He is **available** to the tempted and the tried;

He **blesses** the young;

He **cleanses** the lepers;

He **defends** the feeble;

He **delivers** the captives;

He **discharges** the debtors;

He **forgives** the sinners;



He **franchises** the meek;

He **guards** the besieged;

He **heals** the sick;

He **provides strength** to the weak;

He **regards the** aged;

He **rewards** the diligent;

He **serves** the unfortunate;

He **sympathises** and He **saves!**



His **Offices** are manifold;

His **Reign** is righteous;

His **Promises** are sure;

His **Goodness** is limitless;

His **Light** is matchless;


His **Grace** is sufficient;

His **Love** never changes;

His **Mercy** is everlasting;

His **Word** is enough;

His **Yoke** is easy and His burden is light!

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- He's indescribable;
 - He's incomprehensible;
 - He's irresistible;
 - He's invincible!

The Coming King

A wooden cross stands in the center of the image, set against a background of a sunset or sunrise over a landscape with mountains. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, and the mountains are silhouetted against the light. The cross is made of dark wood and is the central focus of the image.

The Heaven of Heavens cannot contain Him;
Man cannot explain Him;

The Pharisees couldn't stand Him;
(But learned that they couldn't stop Him!)

Pilate couldn't find any fault with Him;
The Witnesses couldn't agree against Him;

Herod couldn't kill Him;

Death couldn't handle Him;

The grave couldn't hold Him!

The Coming King

- He has always been and always will be;
- He had no predecessor and will have no successor;
- You can't vote Him out and He isn't going to resign!
- His name is above every name

That at the name of **JESUS**

Every knee shall bow

Every tongue shall confess

That: Jesus Christ is Lord!

The Coming King

A large wooden cross stands in the center of the image. The background is a sunset or sunrise scene with mountains and a circular light effect.

His is the Kingdom, the power and the glory...

For ever, and ever,

Amen!

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Simply teaching the Bible, simply