SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Rev. Tony Felich

Christ Our King: The Word Enthroned

Selected Passages December 14, 2025

Sermon Text

2 Samuel 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. [13] He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

[16] And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever."

Psalm 2:6 "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill." [7] I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you. [8] Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

Micah 5:2 But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

Matthew 2:1 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, [2] saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

Philippians 2:9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, [10] so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, [11] and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Revelation 19:11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. [12] His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. [13] He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. [14] And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. [15] From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. [16] On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Memory verses for 2025-

Matthew 7:24-25

- [24] Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.
- [25] And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

Sermon Notes

WLC 45 Q. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executeth the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to himself, and giving them officers, laws, and censures, by which he visibly governs them; in bestowing saving grace upon his elect, rewarding their obedience, and correcting them for their sins, preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings, restraining and overcoming all their enemies, and powerfully ordering all things for his own glory and their good; and also in taking vengeance on the rest, who know not God and obey not the gospel."

Introduction

- Third week of Advent series exploring Christ's roles as Redeemer
- The three Old Testament offices—prophet, priest, king—all fulfilled in Christ
- Each office's human holders came up short by design, pointing us to the perfect Prophet, Priest, and King

I. Jesus Is the Promised King

- A. The kingship of God pervades Scripture (sovereignty = royal designation)
 - B. Old Testament progression of the promise
 - C. The failure of earthly Davidic kings
- D. Prophets foretell the eternal King (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Zechariah, Micah)
 - E. Fulfillment in Christ

II. How Does Jesus Rule as King?

Framework: Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 45

- A. **He calls us** Divine sovereign summons out of the world (ekklesia = "called out ones")
 - B. **He governs us** Through officers, laws, and censures
- C. **He saves us** Bestowing saving grace upon the elect (Ephesians 2:8–10)
 - D. He rewards and corrects us
- E. **He preserves us** Sustaining believers through trials and temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13; 2 Corinthians 12:9)
- F. **He conquers our enemies** Restraining and overcoming all opposition, ordering all things for his glory and our good
- G. **He judges** Taking vengeance on those who reject the gospel

Conclusion

- Jesus is no distant cosmic monarch; he is a personal King who knows each of his subjects
- He saves, rewards, corrects, preserves, and conquers on our behalf

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Sermon Application Questions	Prayer Requests
1. Where do you most feel resistance to Christ's kingship in your own life—your time, priorities, habits, or decision-making—and what would submission look like there?	This week our family will lift up requests for:
2. Since Christ rules His church through officers, laws, and discipline, how should this shape our attitude toward church membership, accountability, and submission to godly leadership?	This week our family will praise the Lord for:
3. Christ rewards obedience, though not meritoriously. How do we pursue obedience joyfully without slipping into either legalism or spiritual laziness?	
4. If the gospel is not only an invitation but a command from the King, how should that shape both the urgency and the tone of our evangelism?	HFG Notes & Actions:
5. The sermon teaches that every trial is ordered by Christ for our good. How does this truth practically sustain faith during suffering that feels confusing, unfair, or prolonged?	
	Next HFG meeting is: