

3-2 2025 Sunday Sermon Message
Devotional of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16
The Text: Luke 24:44-48

Title: **Prophecies of Christ's Kingdom in the Psalms**

When asked by his disciples about the time of the end, Jesus replied: "**Take heed that no man deceive you.**⁵ **For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.**" (Matthew 24:4-5).

Over the past two thousand years, many religious leaders have created religions claiming themselves to be Christ, the Savior of the world. Also, in recent years, many people have been deceiving and frightening people on YouTube with the prophecies that famous prophets have said to the world and that they have received through dreams or direct revelations. For example, the prophecies of such a famous man as Nostra d'Amousu have been fulfilled and are deceiving us that they will come true. I even see things in The Simpsons cartoons being deceived as if they are prophecies that will come true. God said that even in the Old Testament times, many false prophets came out and prophesied falsely with their own thoughts.

However, only the prophecies of the prophets that God has established through the Holy Spirit are true prophecies and will surely be fulfilled. The resurrected Jesus said to His disciples:

"And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.⁴⁵ **Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures."** (Luke 24:44-45)

Jesus told the Jews about the kingdom he would establish in Israel. He also told them, "**Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. and all these things shall be added unto you.**" (Matthew 6:33) that they should always seek first the kingdom that their Father will establish. Not only that, but He also said that in order for them to be saved, they must seek God's righteousness, not the righteousness of the law. God's righteousness to them was that they should seek the righteousness in

the gospel of Christ, believing that He died for the sins of the world and was resurrected on the third day.

God used the psalmist to prophesy that Christ would appear in the world and establish His kingdom:

"Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.

¹¹ **Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.**

¹² **Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice**

¹³ **Before the Lord: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth."** (Psalm 96:10-13)

" The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.

² **Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.**

³ **A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.**

⁴ **His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.**

⁵ **The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**

⁶ **The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his glory.**

⁷ **Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all ye gods.**

⁸ **Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O Lord.**

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9 For thou, Lord, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.”(Psalm 98:4-9)

“The Lord reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

2 The Lord is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people.

3 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

5 Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.”(Psalm 99:1-5)

At this time He will speak to all the people of all the earth:

“ Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

3 Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.”(Psalm 100:1-5)

Our Lord Heavenly Father will first take the Church, the bride of Christ, to heaven, with whom He will judge and reign with the earth. Christians who belong to the Church of God and are born again by the Holy Spirit will receive great glory. The Apostle Paul wrote a letter of consolation to the suffering

saints in Rome about the glory that the Church of God would receive:

“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”(Romans 8:14-18)

This immense hope of glory awaits, not only for God's children, but also for all creation who wish to dwell with them forever:

“For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.”(8:19-26)

Amen! Hallelujah!