

A Vision Of Christ's Victory In History: Needed In The Present Crisis

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There is nothing surer for 2023—that the global oligarchy of elites will ramp up their agenda for saving the planet.

Battle for total sovereignty

To do this they must prosecute a battle for total sovereignty, of enslaving the masses for their own good. They will do this by several means. They will move the nations toward Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs) as a form of social credit, controlling each person's supply of money based on their compliance to government edicts. These edicts already embrace gender and marriage redefinitions (weaponised by draconian antidiscrimination laws that violate normal human rights such as freedoms of religion and expression); fraudulent vaccines that reengineer human DNA (weaponised by enforced mandates and lockdowns); climate, food, and energy control; geoengineering, and much more.

Psalm 2 speaks prophetically into the conspiracies of the nations and their leaders, declaring:

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

Psalm 2:1–3

Autonomous-man, eugenics, and transhumanism

Mankind in his fallen state, at enmity with God, cannot but conspire against the Lord and his anointed. Moreover, rebellious, autonomous man is not only a hater of God but also of mankind made in the image of God. The World Economic Forum (WEF) and its gathering of the elites in Davos and the health dictatorship of the World Health Organisation (WHO) through its newly proposed Pandemic Treaty are all designed to override individual liberty and national loyalties, especially those that pertain to representative and constitutional government that emerged from the once Christian West. Devoid of any biblical value of the sanctity of human life, the new health tyranny is driven by belief in eugenics (aka depopulation) and transhumanism.

High profile promoter of transhumanism, Yuval Noah Harari (Israeli historian and author), spokesperson and prophet of WEF, claims that ours will be "one of the last generations of homo sapiens. ...The whole idea that humans have this soul or spirit and they have free will...that's over. ...We are upgrading humans into gods...Even if you believe in the Bible, the only thing that the God of the Bible managed to create is organic beings...now we want to create inorganic life...divinity is not far enough to describe what we are trying to do...we are much better than the God of the Bible. ...We will use AI and bioengineering to change homo sapiens and to create new kinds of beings." These new beings – the biological merger of humans with AI – are called "cyborgs". This agenda is sufficiently advanced for the Association of American Law Schools to hold their annual meeting of 2019 on "The Internet of Bodies: Cyborgs and the Law", discussing the legal, regulatory, and social impact of this new, living, breathing data platform. If this does not render WEF and WHO sponsored injectables suspect, what does? The agenda is total control through a universal surveillance state, facilitated by ingestible and implantable AI, powered and networked by 5G. The stuff of sci-fi here and now! Godhood demands omniscience. Total power doesn't function without total knowledge. Hence, the new AI driven surveillance state.

God's purpose for time-space history

We could enlarge ad infinitum on the open conspiracy that is before us. Nevertheless, while a clear analysis of the unfolding events of the last three years is important it is far more crucial that the redeemed community discover cogent answers for the world crisis. This entails discovering biblical blueprints for government, public health, medicine, economics, and much more.

But for this to occur we must first see that the Kingdom of God is for here and now. God's saving act in Christ occurred *in* time-space history, culminating in his ascension and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This occurred on the day of Pentecost and continues to the present not only through periods of revival but also the daily faithfulness of God's people. The singular purpose of the outpoured Holy Spirit is to bring the Kingdom of God *in* history, his will being done *on earth* as it is in heaven (Mt 6:10).

To this end we will provide throughout 2023 various teachings and resources that focus on the victory of Christ *in* history (aka Postmillennialism). We will present an alternative to the defeatist pop-eschatologies (doctrine of end things) of modern evangelicalism (aka Premillennialism and Amillennialism).

This is not merely a matter of pedantry; of theological nit-picking, prosecuting cases against the other man's theological peccadillos. It is not a matter of idle academic interest, of merely exercising one's personal theological preference.

"I have set before you life and death..."

Rather, we are talking of *life and death* issues. These are at the heart of God's covenant with man. When Moses led God's people in the renewal of the covenant he declared, "I have set before you *life and death*, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live" (Dt 30:19). The victory and destiny of God's people is determined exclusively by obedience to the covenant. Obedience leads to *possession*, but disobedience to *dispossession* (Dt 9:1-4; 11:22-23). This was the fulcrum upon which Israel's fortunes pivoted, either rising or falling (Dt 28:7, 25, 47). Hence, her many captivities (Dt 28:63; Jer 32:26-44). The western church and nations are no more exempt from this threat than Israel of the Old Testament (see Rom 11:22).

God's blessings and cursings – his judgments – are historical; they occur *in* history. Sadly, most Christians have no philosophy of history, no comprehension that God's historical judgments are designed to both discipline his own and dispossess his enemies. This message of the covenant was the touchstone of the prophets as they appealed to Israel to return to the Lord, warning of imminent judgments if they did not obey. The stipulation of the covenant to love the Lord and our neighbour is backed up by the sanction of the covenant in historical blessings and cursings. Both God's blessings and cursings in history are the stuff of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God. The Gospel of God's government asserts Christ's lordship over "all things" in heaven *and* on earth. This entails every aspect of mankind's individual and corporate existence. It is as simple as the maxim, "If Christ is not *Lord of all*, he is not *Lord at all*". In other words, the government of God comes through covenant. Hence, Paul's emphasis in Romans on the "obedience of faith" (Rom 1:5; 16:26). To the degree we obey or disobey any one aspect of the covenant we attract either its blessings or cursings, either victory or defeat (Dt 23:14; 28:7, 25, 47-57; Lev 26:7, 8, 17).

A truncated gospel versus the Gospel of God's government

But instead of this Gospel of God's government, of Christ's victory over every enemy, we have inherited a *truncated* gospel of personal salvation that exclusively focuses on heaven as our destiny. The Christian's sole purpose in this life is to rescue as many souls from hell as possible. There is little or no cognizance of God's purpose for history: that it is to resound to the praise of Christ the King, "To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen" (Rev 1:5-6).

But why will history resound to the praise of Jesus? Because in the ascension he was given complete authority over heaven and earth (Mt 28:20). But why was he given that authority? Obviously to exercise it! As Paul explains, "so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil 2:10-11). As David testifies, "The LORD [the Father] says to my Lord [the Son]: 'Sit at my right hand, *until* I make your enemies your footstool.'" (Psalm 110:1; Acts 2:34-35). "Until" is a time word. We are about to discover the Bible's philosophy of history. Christ is seated on heaven's throne throughout time *until* every enemy has been subdued beneath his feet. And "the *last* enemy" to be defeated is death—consumed by life in the resurrection of the dead at the consummation of all things (see 1 Cor 15:24-28). A *last* enemy demands there be a *first*, a *second*, a *third*, all the way down to the *last*. In other words, history will progressively parade the defeated enemies of Christ – one by one – until the final enemy is defeated—'til "death is swallowed up in victory" (v 54). Every idol will fall. Every imagination and proud reasoning – every ideology – raised up against the knowledge of God will be made captive to the obedience of Christ (see 2 Cor 10:1-6). The enemies of Christ – Islamism and Humanism – will bow the knee, giving way to God's government of righteousness and

peace well before the end. Every aspect of the cosmos, visible and invisible (ie all things—spirit *and* matter), are commanded to bow to Christ the Lord in covenantal obedience. History is thus the arena of a great cosmic battle, through which Christ and his church progressively conquer every foe. As Abraham Kuyper exclaimed, “There is not one square inch of earth where Christ does not say, ‘*Mine!*’”

The Cultural Mandate

Far from the Christian being merely a pilgrim sojourning in the wilderness of this world, as A- and Premillennialists pretend, they have, instead, been divinely mandated by Christ’s renewal of the covenant to possess the land and exercise dominion over it, to disciple nations (cf Gen 1:26-28; Mt 28:18-20; Ps 22:27-28; 2:8). But not only the nations, they are to govern the entire cosmos, “all things” visible and invisible (Col 1:15-20; 1 Cor 6:3). As the last Adam and the second man (1 Cor 15:45,47), Christ renews the Cultural Mandate of Genesis 1:26-28, establishing a new humanity through whom he will govern the universe. And so, through his exaltation and enthronement Christ “ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill *all things*” (Eph 4:10b). Consequently he has given “some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ” (Eph 4:11-13). The five-fold ascension-gift ministries are given for the raising up of a redeemed humanity conformed to the image of their elder brother (Rom 8:29). As fellow heirs with him they will succeed where Adam failed, completing the Cultural Mandate and re-civilizing the earth under God’s government. The new humanity will hence accomplish God’s purpose for history.

At Jesus’ coronation he was anointed Prophet, Priest, and King, indeed as the King of kings. The anointing oil then flowed from the hem of his ascension garments into the upper room, manifesting upon the disciples as tongues of fire. The day of Pentecost and every subsequent outpouring of the Holy Spirit is hence a regal anointing upon the church, an empowering to subdue every enemy and govern the nations as her inheritance. Through Christ’s gifts to his church, she has been equipped to “occupy until he comes” (Lk 19:13), to exorcise the land of every idol, restoring it as an Edenic paradise.

God’s determinative act in history

Returning to Psalm 2, David prophesies of Christ’s ascension:

“As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.” I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Psalm 2:6–12

Christ’s ascension and enthronement is God’s determinative act in history. Unless the nations turn to him from their conspiratorial rebellions they will be shattered. Every attempt to throw off God’s restraints – his creational norms and categories (eg male and female) – will end in destruction. The devastation of one civilization after another will occur until men “kiss the Son” and find their refuge in him.

We are in a season of judgment

Nevertheless, while the destruction of rebellious kings and nations is certain, meanwhile they are used by God as a rod of discipline for his own people (Isa 10:1-19). Because God’s people had enacted evil statutes and unjust decisions, robbing the poor of their rights, judgment befell them: Assyrian invasion and captivity. The oppression would continue as long as required for the lesson to be learned, for God’s work to be completed on Mount Zion: “When the Lord has finished all his work on Mount Zion and on Jerusalem, he will punish the speech of the arrogant heart of the king of Assyria and the boastful look in his eyes” (Isa 10:12). Only when the redeemed community mends its ways can God’s judgment fall on the godless regime that oppresses.

Therefore, God's judgment always begins with his own people. And if God judges his own, how much more those who deny the gospel: "For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?" (1 Pet 4:17 NKJV).

We are in a season of judgment. It is time for the destruction of every idol—the Baals of false-belief and false-values to which the redeemed community has bowed. To proud reasonings raised up against the knowledge of God—theologies rooted in Greek philosophy and autonomous reason, and polity governed by worldly values and methods. Not to mention our moral turpitude.

One thing surer than the elite's prosecution of their wickedness is their utter destruction. If God's people turn from *their* wicked ways, he will defend his own. He will fulfil his purpose for them, advancing them as the head and not the tail:

And the LORD will make you the head and not the tail, and you shall only go up and not down, if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you today, being careful to do them.

Dt 28:13

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