## the RULER OF THE KINGS OF THE EARTH

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"John to the seven churches which are in Asia, 'Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the Faithful Witness, and the First Born of the Dead, and the Ruler of the Kings of the Earth.' Unto Him who loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us a Kingdom of priests (or kings and priests) unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen." (Revelation 1:4-5-6)

**Ruler:** from the greek word <u>archon</u> which means: a ruler, a chief, a governor, a leader, a leading man. Properly, a preeminent ruler (chief); a commander with authority (influence) over people in a particular jurisdiction. From **archo** which means: to rule, or to begin (something).

**Kings:** from the greek word <u>basileon</u> which means: Kings, (Sovereign Kings); in context: the rulers over the nations on Earth, whether they be called Kings, or Prime Ministers, or Presidents, or Governors, etc. (from **basileus**: a king.)

**Earth:** from the greek word **ges** (**ge**) which means: the earth, soil, land, region, country, inhabitants of a region; properly, the physical earth.

The particular jurisdiction over which Jesus Rules is the whole of planet earth; and by implication Jesus will be ruling over all the nations of the earth; and thus, He will be the preeminent Ruler over the Kings of all the nations of the Earth! As it says:

"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He who sat upon it was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He does judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a name written, that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood: and His Name is called <a href="The Word of God">The Word of God</a>. And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations: <a href="mailto:and-He shall Rule">and He shall Rule</a> (Literally "to Shepherd") them with a rod of iron. And He treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. (Revelation 19:11-16)

In the context of Revelation, the reign of Christ Jesus as Ruler of the Kings of the Earth, encompasses the Thousand Year Reign of Christ, and includes those tribulation saints who were killed because they held to the testimony of Jesus Christ; and they will Reign with Christ during that thousand years; as it says:

"... and I saw the souls of those who were beheaded for the testimony of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and who had not worshipped the beast, nor his image, nor had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and Reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection; on such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall Reign with Him (Jesus) a thousand years!" (Revelation 20:4-6)

**Reign, Reigned:** from the Greek word <u>basileuo</u> which means: to rule, or to reign (as kings). (from **basileus**: a king).

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#### Consider also these verses:

"And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; 'These things says the **Son of God**, who has eyes like unto a flame of fire, and His feet are like fine brass; 'I know your works, and charity, and service, and faith, and your patience, and that your latter works are more than the first. ..., that which you have hold fast until I come. And he who overcomes, and keeps My works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations; **and he shall Rule (Literally "to Shepherd") them with a rod of iron**; as the vessels of a potter are broken into pieces: even as I received of My Father. And I will give him the **Morning Star**. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says unto the churches." (Revelation 2:18-19, 25-29)

"And the ten horns which you saw are ten kings, who have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb (Jesus) shall overcome them: **for He is Lord of lords, and King of kings**: and those who are with Him are called, and chosen, and faithful." (Revelation 17:12-14)

Finally, as it is said of Jesus, so it is also said of the Father:

"I give thee charge in the sight of God, who makes-alive all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; that you keep this commandment without spot, unreproachable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ; who in His time He shall show, who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; who alone has immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man has seen, nor can see: to whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen." (1Timothy 6:13-15-16)

# JESUS is ...

# the Ruler of the Kings of the Earth

Together with the Father He is King of kings, and Lord of lords!

Along with Jesus, the saints, are called, and chosen, and faithful, will also reign as kings and priests!

Jesus will rule as a Shepherd, over the nations with a rod of iron!

All Praise, and Power, and Majesty, and Glory be Yours Lord Jesus!

Always and always!! and Forever and ever!!

Amen!