

“The New Heaven and the New Earth: ***The Millennial Reign of Christ***” (Part 2)
Hebrews 2:5-8; Romans 11:11-12, 25-27

- Proof Texts in the New Testament of a Physical, Millennial Reign of Christ:
 - Jesus will reign on David’s Throne over the house of Jacob (***Luke 1:32-33***).
 - The house of Jacob is Israel physically, not spiritually (Exodus 19:3-4). This was the expectation of the Old Testament saints.
 - Israel will be saved from their physical enemies (***Luke 1:68-75***).
 - Israel physically is in mind here. This physical, literal deliverance, was the proper Biblical expectation for the Jewish people (***Jeremiah 23:5-6***; 33:15; ***Matthew 19:28***).
 - Israel was blessed physically and Nationally when they were obedient to God’s Word (Deuteronomy 8; ***Jeremiah 32:38-42***).
 - Jesus will bring the redemption of the city of Jerusalem (***Luke 2:38***).
 - This again is a pointing to the fulfillment of the Covenants. This is also reminding us of the importance of physical Jerusalem in God’s future plans (***Zechariah 14:4-5,8-9***; ***cf. Acts 1:11***).
 - There is a physical and a spiritual kingdom (***Matthew 4:17***).
 - We have access to the spiritual kingdom and someday the Millennial reign of Christ by faith and repentance (***Micah 4:2-5***; Zechariah 14). ***Luke 19:11-27*** is a great parable explaining these two aspects of the Kingdom.
 - The earth or the land is to be inherited by those that are saved (Matthew 5:5).
 - The unrighteous will not inherit the future kingdom, in fact they will be removed from the earth (***1 Corinthians 6:9***; Revelation 20:13-15).
 - All things are ours in Christ (***1 Corinthians 3:21-23***). We will rule and reign on the earth with Christ (Revelation 5:10).
 - The kingdom will be on earth (Matthew 6:10).
 - Jesus has authority to restore the physical (disease, death, and nature) – Matthew 8 & 9
 - Jesus showed His authority, not only over the spiritual plight of sin, but also over the physical consequences of sin.
 - There will be eating and feasting in the kingdom (Luke 22:14-23; ***Matthew 8:10-12***; Isaiah 25:6-8).
 - Luke 14:18: “Until the Kingdom of God comes”; Matthew 8:10-12: “Gentiles will be a part of the future kingdom”.
 - After 40 days of instruction about the kingdom, the disciples asked about the physical kingdom (Acts 1:3,6; 3:21).
 - The creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption (Romans 8:19-22).
 - All things will be reconciled through Christ, both physical and spiritual (Colossians 1:15-20).
 - All things are not under the physical reign of Christ yet (***Hebrews 2:5-8***).
 - Man was created to rule the earth (Genesis 1:26-28). At the fall that dominion was given over to the angels, namely Satan (1 John 5:19) and yet that dominion will be taken from him by Christ and we will rule and reign with Christ (Revelation 5:10).
 - We shall reign on the earth with Christ (Revelation 5:10, 20:6).

Announcements:

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch THIS Sunday, June 2nd, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something to the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!

★**COMMUNION:** We will be celebrating and partaking of Communion together as a church body THIS Sunday, June 2nd.

★**CHURCH NIGHT OF PRAYER:** Our monthly Church Night of Prayer will be THIS Tuesday, June 4th, at 7pm. During this time of prayer we will be praying for specific prayer requests within the church body.

★**HEALTHTREE 5K/1 MILE WALK:** If you would be interested in joining a team of people to run a 5K or walk 1 mile on Saturday, June 8th, at 9am (at Wolfe Park in Columbus), please register at <https://give.healthtree.org/team/582040> under Team Legacy Plus. The cost is \$35 per person. HealthTree raises money to accelerate research and find cures for blood cancer. Please see Krystal if you have any questions or need more details!