

## 4—Taken Up in Glory

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### INTRO:

#### I. → John 19:16-22

*Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.*

*So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha).*

*There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.*

→ 19 Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: **JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS**. Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek.

→ 21 The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, "Do not write 'The King of the Jews,' but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews." Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

#### II. Pilate didn't know the sign would be prophetic

ישוע נצריא מלכא דיהודיא

IEHSUS NAZARENUS REX IUDAEORUM

ΙΗΣΟΥΣ Ο ΝΑΖΩΡΑΙΟΣ Ο ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΤΩΝ ΙΟΥΔΑΙΩΝ

Not just King of the Jews, but of all nations

### BODY:

#### I. Anointed of the Father

##### A. God called Jesus his Son before he had done anything.

###### 1) **Matthew 3:16-17**

*At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."*

###### 2) **Psalms 2:7**

*He said to me, "You are my son; today I have become your father."*

3) PARENTS WATCHING T-BALL GAMES

B. The Father has anointed us to continue Christ's mission.

1) **2 Corinthians 1:21-22**

*Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.*

2) YOUR MISSION—SHOULD YOU CHOSE TO ACCEPT IT

## II. Accepting the Kingdom

A. God had a plan for a kingdom that reached the whole world.

1) **John 18:36**

*Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place."*

2) THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

B. We take His kingdom everywhere we lift up His name.

1) **Luke 22:29-30**

*"And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."*

2) COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR HEATSHIELD FOR ODYSSEUS

Inventer watching moom landing in Sellwood

## III. Ascending to the Throne

A. Christ ascending to the throne changes how we live.

1) **Hebrews 12:2**

*Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

- 2) **PASSION OF THE CHRIST—“ARE YOU THE MESSIAH”**  
Person of Interest

B. The reign of Christ begins when we give Him our lives.

- 1) **Revelation 3:21**

*“To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.”*

- 2) *Roger Ebert, The Chicago Sun-Times*

“Well, this is the point that everybody seems to miss. There is this theory that ‘somebody killed Jesus’ . . . it misses the point. Jesus, if you’re a Christian, came to earth to die. That was his mission. That was his purpose; that was his desire. And no individual, no race, no religion, no nation killed him. According to Christian teaching, we all killed him. He died for our sins. So therefore anyone who thinks that, for example, the terrible idea that the Jews killed Jesus is correct, has not looked at their Bible and is not acting like a Christian.”

## **OTHER SCRIPTURES:**

Acts 1:22

“Beginning from John’s baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.”

Colossians 1:27

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Ephesians 1:19-21

That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow . . . and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord.”

Colossians 3:1-2

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.