

Ascension and Coronation of Christ

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Introduction

1. Acts 1:9-11
2. This is the most important event in the history of mankind
 - a. The death was important
 - b. The resurrection declares Him to be the Son of God Romans 1:4; 1 Timothy 3:16
 - c. The apostles reacted to this event with great joy, praising and blessing God Luke 24:52-53; Mark 16:19
3. The world celebrates this event one time a year, the church every Sunday 1 Corinthians 11:26
4. Our faith in Christ ought to affect our conduct 1 Timothy 3:15
 - a. Faith is built upon evidence; the resurrection has proof
5. The book of Hebrews emphasizes the ascension, let us study what it says about it

II Discussion

1. Hebrews 1:3 He is sat down on the right hand of God
 - a. Sat means to cause to sit down appoint
 - b. God the Father caused the Son to sit down at His right hand and He was appointed to do so before the foundations of the world
 - c. As such He is our Mediator redeemer,
 - d. He has the highest honor
 - e. Authority is His
2. Hebrews 4:14; Hold fast because of our High Priest
 - a. He is greater than Aaron or any of his order
 - b. Once a year the Aaronic order went into the Most Holy Place but Christ is entered into heaven
 - i. Pleading our cause
 - ii. Presenting His offering
 - iii. For His people who are priest
 - c. He is touched by our problems because
 - i. He was tempted as we are
 - ii. Because of this we are to hold fast
 - iii. This is the background for the next 2 points
3. Hebrews 6:16-19 Hope
 - a. Hope is set before us verse 18 same as above
 - b. The hope is set before us because He has entered heaven, (within the veil)
 - c. This hope is our anchor of the soul
4. Hebrews 8:1 High Priest
 - a. He is our High Priest after the order of Melchisedec
 - b. Who had no father, mother, descent, beginning or end 7:3, 11, 13-17, 19, 21
 - c. Our High Priest is so much better than the old Levitical
 - d. Hebrews 9:24
 - e. He is appearing before God for us
 - f. His was a better sacrifice than the Levitical sacrifices 9:23
 - g. Hebrews 10:12
 - h. Offered one sacrifice for us
 - i. The emphasis is upon the one sacrifice not the many 9:11-14
5. Hebrews 12:1-2 Author and Finisher
 - a. The race is set before us, the race is marked with limits and direction

- b. We are to run this race with patience and perseverance
- c. Nothing passes between heaven and earth but by Him
- d. Look to Him as our
 - i. Example
 - ii. Encourager
- e. Look to Him for our
 - i. Direction
 - ii. Assistance
 - iii. Acceptance

III Conclusion

1. The Resurrection was a real event
2. Because of it we have the power to become Sons of God
3. Will you accept the evidence and the proof of the resurrection
4. Will you accept the place that Christ is to have in your life
5. Come now if you do

Sources: Sacrificial Servant sermon outlines from Mark by Tom Holland; Matthew Henry commentary Hebrews