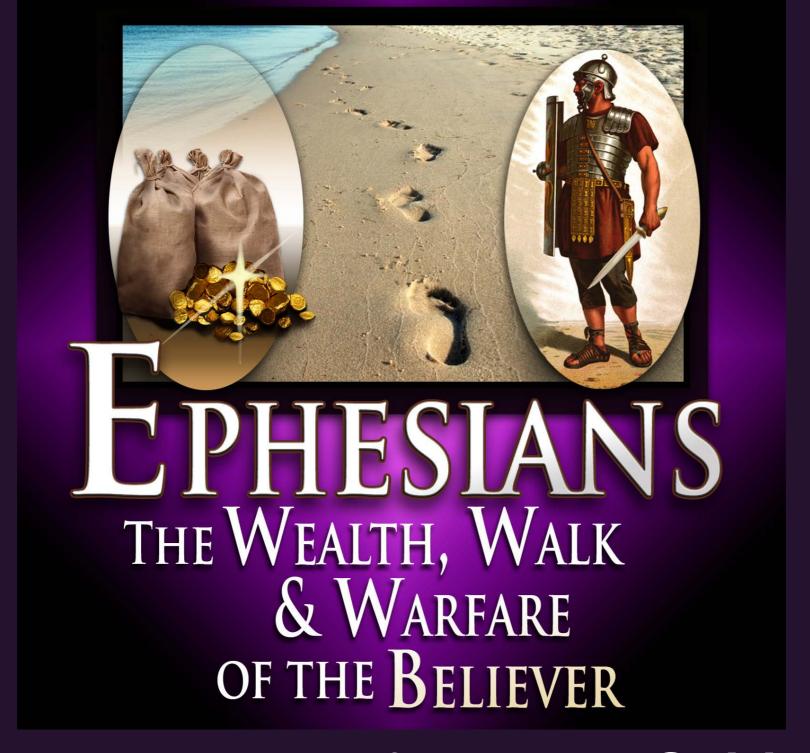
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The Advent of the Holy Spirit Ephesians 2:6

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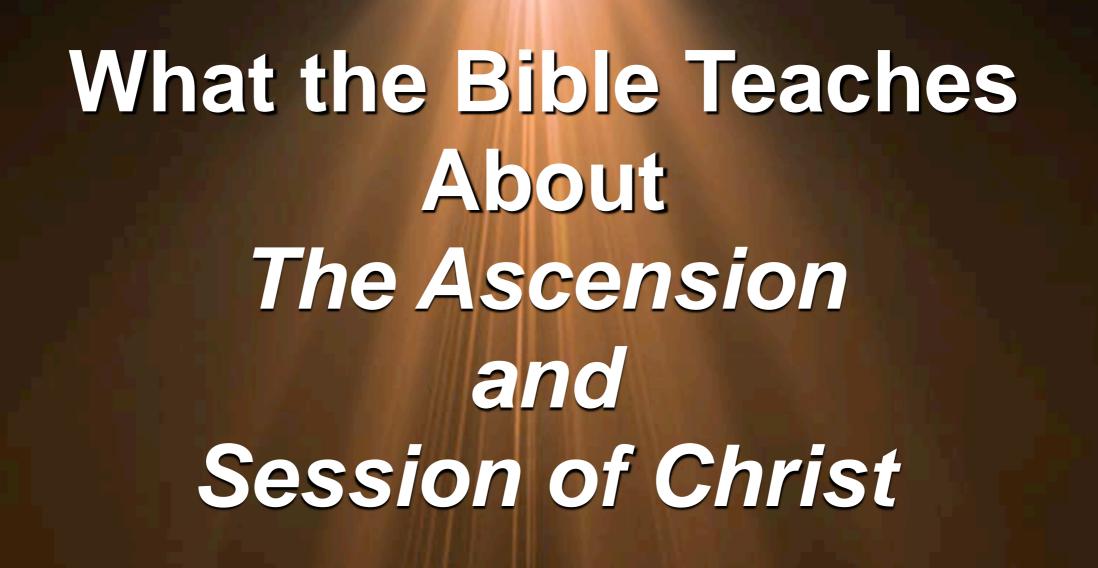
We are seated together in Christ Jesus. Cf., (Christ seated at the right hand of the Father:

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Acts 2:33-34; 5:31; 7:55-56;
Rom. 8:34; Eph. 1:20; 2:6; 4:8-11;
Col. 3:1; Heb. 1:3, 13; 8:1; 10:12; 12:2;
1 Pet. 3:22)
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Eph. 1:19, "and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power

Eph. 1:20, "which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

Eph. 1:21, "far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come."





#### The Ascension of Christ: Background



#### First Question:

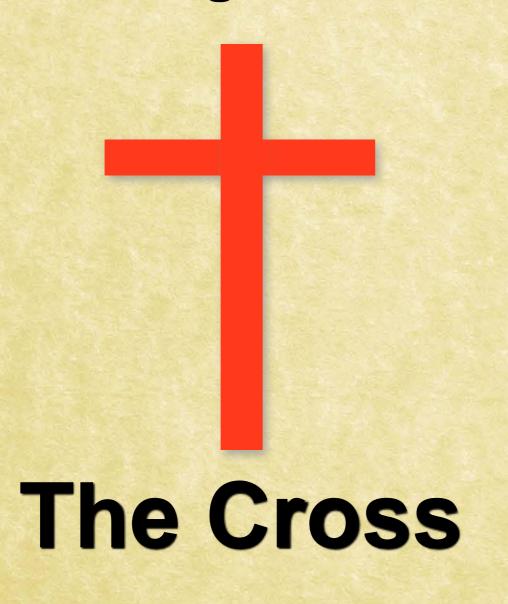
What happened to God's plan when the Lord Jesus Christ was rejected and crucified?

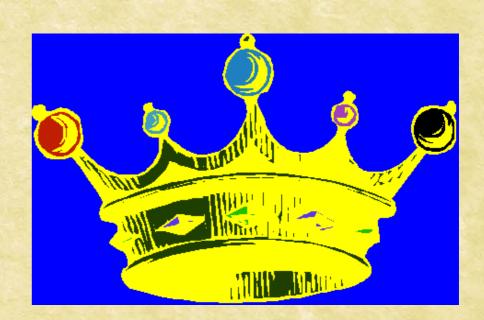
Acts 1:6, "Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, 'Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?' "

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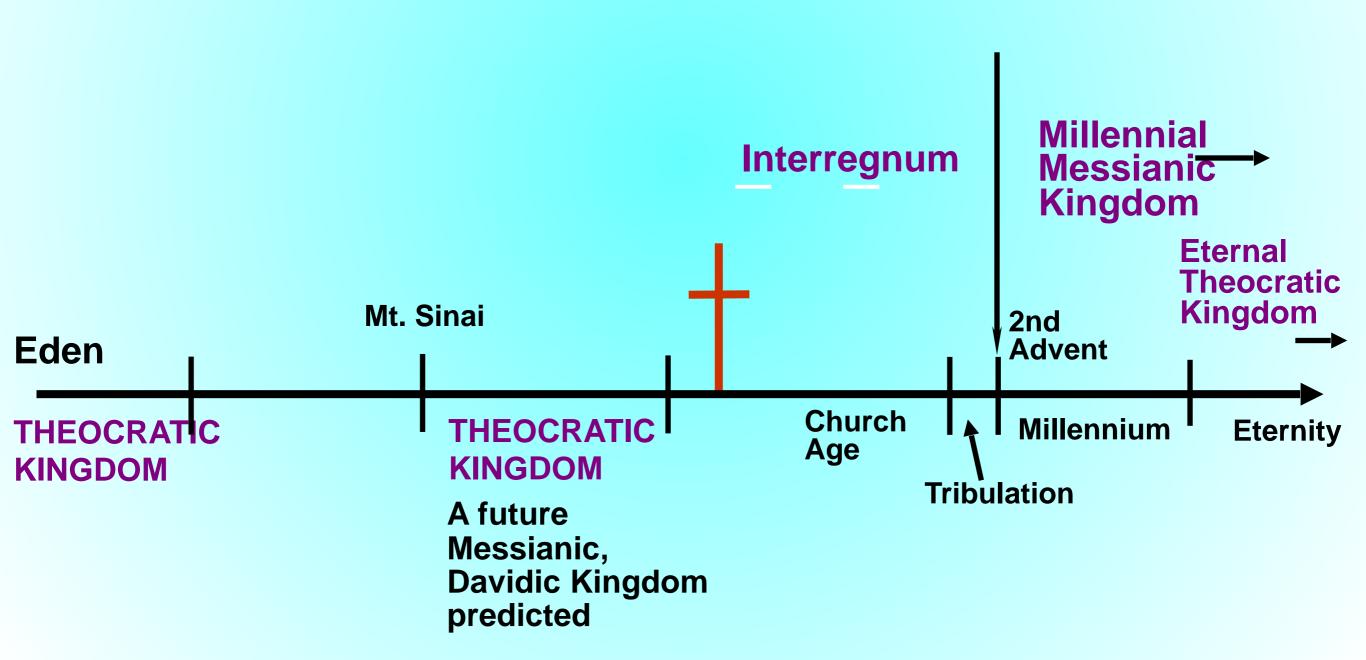


The Crown

The Message of John the Baptist

Matt. 3:2, "and saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

#### KINGDOM OF GOD IN THE BIBLE



#### The Message of Jesus

Matt. 4:17, "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"

#### The Message of the Disciples

Matt. 10:5, "These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: 'Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans.

Matt. 10:6, "But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Matt. 10:7, "'And as you go, preach, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." '"

## The Presentation of the Kingdom and the Response

The OFFER of the Kingdom

The REJECTION of the King

The CRUCIFIXION of the King

What, then, is the purpose for the ascension and the unforeseen inter-advent age—the present Church Age?

John 6:62, "What then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before?

John 6:63, "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life."

John 16:28, "I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father."

John 16:7, "Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you."

1 Cor. 3:16, "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

1 Cor. 6:19, "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?"

Rom. 8:9, "But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

Rom. 8:10, "And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness."