

Tuesday, 23 November 2020 -- Weekly Inspiration from Rev. Jason

How would you rank the priorities in your life? For instance, if I were to do this, my family would receive top ranking, followed by church ministry, and so on. It's an important question, because being aware of how we prioritize our relationships in life determines what we give the most attention and energy to, and what we allow to have the most influence upon our actions and decisions.

Now, where does Christ fall into this? Yesterday was Christ the King Sunday in our liturgical life, meaning it was the Sunday on which we reminded ourselves unequivocally that there is only One who has ultimate sway over our lives, our hearts, and who ultimately deserves our allegiance...only One whom we allow to have primary influence over our words, actions, and decisions.

According to Daniel, in his vision he saw "someone like a Son of Man coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient One and was led into his presence. He was given authority, honor, and sovereignty over all the nations of the world..." (Daniel 7:13-14a). Furthermore, "His rule is eternal - it will never end. His kingdom will never be destroyed" (Dn. 7:14b).

We understand this "someone" to be Christ, known to us in Scripture and in history, and within our hearts, as well. Christ calls our attention and allegiance, living in such a way that his kingdom is proclaimed first and foremost - a kingdom of justice, mercy, compassion, and right relationship with one another. May we indeed live for such a kingdom today and all days.

Prayer: Lord, make me again a subject of your kingdom, living out its characteristics and ideals in every moment of my days this week, with gratitude and celebration. Amen.