

The Royalty of all Believers

Rev 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Rev 1:6 And hath made us **kings and priests** unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Rev 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Rev 5:10 And hast made us unto our God **kings and priests**: and **we shall reign on the earth**.

1. We have a Kingdom

– Luk 12:32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luk 17:21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

Song: Tis the Kingdom of peace, EL 32 (What a Kingdom!), Hymnal 100, Church of God songbook 481

2. We are Royalty

- **1Peter 2:9** But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

- People are Kings because their daddy was a King. They have royal blood flowing through them.
- Application: we were lost and undone. A slave to sin. A slave to “passions within”. Beggars.
- By the blood of Jesus Christ, we have been adopted into the family of God.
- I’m a child of God! I’m a child of the King!

Once I was lost neath the rags of my sin,
 so wretched and poor lost and lonely within,
 but in wondrous compassion the King of all kings,
 in mercy and love took me under His wings.

Oh yes, Oh yes, I’m a child of the Kings,
 and His royal blood now flows in my veins.
 And I who was wretched and poor now can sing,
 Praise God, Praise God, I’m a child of the King.

3. We have been anointed - Coronation ceremony

2Cor 1:20 For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

2Co 1:21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and **hath anointed us**, is God;

2Co 1:22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

Psa 23:5 thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

- We are Kings, anointed too. I am reigning, sweetly reigning.

4. We have been granted unsearchable riches

- Rom 11:33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable *are* his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

Eph 3:8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the **Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;**

Song: The Unsearchable Riches of God – Fanny Crosby; Hymnal 296

5. We have lots of gold and silver

-2Co 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

Song: I found a gold mine when I found the Lord

6. We live in a Palace – Mansion

- Joh 14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

Joh 14:2 In my Father's house are **many mansions**: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

7. We have secured walls around our palace – mighty fortress

- Isa 26:1 In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.

Isa 26:2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.

Isa 26:3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind is stayed *on thee*: because he trusteth in thee.

Isa 26:4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

Isa 26:5 For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, *even* to the ground; he bringeth it *even* to the dust.

7. We've been granted Crowns

– **James 1:12** Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

1 Pet 5:4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Types of crowns:

- Incorruptible Crown
- Crown of Righteousness
- Crown of Life
- Crown of Glory

We see there are four different crowns in Scripture which relate to the believer. Every one of these crowns are symbolic of the Christian life.

8. We are reigning today:

Death:

Rom 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

Rom 5:21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sin:

Rom 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

2Ti 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:

Self:

Gal 5:24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

Song: Reigning, sweetly reigning EL 200, Hymnal 254

Closing:

King of all kings - Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and **King of kings**: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Rev 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

Rev 19:12 His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

Rev 19:13 And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

Rev 19:14 And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

Rev 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Rev 19:16 And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, **KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**