

Weekly Word November 24, 2024

Marion Victory

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalm 93

Revelations 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

The discourse between Pilate and Jesus in the gospel of John today, clearly shows Pilate was conflicted. He's not getting it, nor does he understand why this Jesus is in trouble and this whole kingship talk. What is that?

His questions, "What have you done?" and "Are you a king then?" clearly shows it.

I have read of Pilate that he was a cruel man and a harsh leader. He had no time for Jewish squabbles (which he probably considered this to be). He makes it clear he's not a Jew! He likely didn't have knowledge of Jewish scripture. He stands before Jesus as an ignorant man.

Jesus's last statement in this conversation is pertinent, ***"Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."***

Although verse 38 is not in today's reading it says it all and helps you understand Pilate's confusion in the matter. He responded to Jesus before he left Him. ***"What is truth?"***

Daniel's vision speaks of the Kingship of the Son of Man and His Dominion.

Verse 14 tells us: ***Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom the one which shall not be destroyed.***

God's word is truth, Pilate! These words spoken through a vision 500+ years before Christ's birth speak of His Kingship. Not the King of the Jews but, the King of all time! Of all nations, peoples, and languages! The King of kings!

Psalm 93 speaks of the **eternal reign** of the LORD.

I love how the Revelation portion opens with ***Grace to you and peace from Him who is and was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth.*** We have ***Grace and peace*** from the Godhead!

He sends us His peace when we are conflicted, concerned, or troubled about worldly matters and how they seem to be playing out. He sends us His grace on a constant basis because without it, we'd be lost.

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

Selah