

The Advent of Love

Various Texts

The Promise of a King (Isa 11:1-10)

- Isaiah foretold a time when God would raise up a king from the line of David
 - Jesse: David's father
- He will somehow both predate David (root) & be his descendant (branch)
- He will have the Spirit of God upon him
 - Giving him wisdom & strength to rule & to judge justly (v. 1-5)
- He will bring peace
 - To nature (v. 6-9)
 - To all of humanity as they come to know God (v. 10ff)
- He will be the Messiah ('anointed one')

Christ the King in His First Advent (Lk 2:8-14)

- The angel proclaimed the good news (Gospel) that the child was born
 - To bring joy to all the people
 - To save God's people
 - Who is of David's house
 - To show God's glory
 - To bring peace
- He is the Messiah/Christ
 - He is Jesus!

Our King in the Present

- Jesus came to establish His kingdom/kingship on earth through reigning in the hearts & lives of those who proclaim Him their Savior & King (Lk 17:20b)
- He rules & reigns even now through the Holy Spirit in those who believe (Jn 3:5; Rom 14:17)

The Future King

- When Jesus comes again, He will establish His kingdom over all
- He will reign with:
 - Justice
 - Love
 - Peace
 - Joy

So What?

- Jesus has come to be the king of our lives
- He will come again to be king of the whole world
- Do we know Him as king now?
- Are we letting Him rule in our hearts?