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Seated at the Right Hand

Lesson 6 • Psalm 110; Ephesians 1:19-23

What Did Jesus Do in His Glorification?

He **SAT DOWN** at the right hand of the Father's throne.

• The Source of "Session": Latin for SITTING.

"The ascension is the entry into the state of glory that Christ obtains in heaven and that is described with the term 'sitting at the right hand of God.'" – Herman Bavinck

The Significance of His Heavenly Session: Jesus RULES over all in heaven! Ephesians 1:19-23

"The ascended Jesus is the reigning Jesus." – Gerrit Scott Dawson

• The Scriptures on His Heavenly Session: **Predicted** in the OT (Psalm 110; Daniel 7:13-14), **promised** in the Gospels (Matthew 22:41-46; 26:63-66; Mark 14:61-64; Luke 20:41-44; 22:67-70), **preached** in Acts (2:22-36; 5:31), **practiced** in the Epistles (Romans 8:34; Ephesians 1:19-23; Colossians 3:1-4; Hebrews 1:13; 8:1; 10:12; 12:1-2; 1 Peter 3:22), and **promised** to overcomers in Revelation (3:21).

Five Questions About His Session

1. WHAT Does Jesus Do in His Session? He SITS down in royal glory!

Literally? Physically? Spiritually? Immovably?

- > The FATHER sits the glorified Son of Adam down. Acts 2:30; Ephesians 1:20; 1 Kings 2:19
- The glorified Son of God sits <u>HIMSELF</u> down. Hebrews 1:3; 8:1; 10:12

2. WHERE Does Jesus Sit in His Session? At God's RIGHT hand!

Jesus Sits at the Right Hand of... God. Colossians 3:1; Ephesians 1:20; Hebrews 10:12; cf. Acts 2:33; 7:55-56; Romans 8:34; 1 Peter 3:22

the Throne of God. Hebrews 12:2 Power. Matthew 26:64; Luke 22:69 the Majesty on High. Hebrews 1:3

the Throne of Majesty in the Heavens. Hebrews 8:1

The Right Hand of God Is...

- A place of PRESENCE: Access for relationship! 1 Kings 2:19
- A place of <u>POWER</u>: Authority for ruling! Ephesians 1:20-23
- A place of <u>PRIVILEGE</u>: Activity for representing!
- A place of <u>PLEASURE</u>: Acceptance for rejoicing! Psalm 16:10-11

Ephesians 2:4-9; Colossians 3:1

3. WHY Does Jesus Sit in His Session? To CONDUCT Kingdom Business!

- ➤ His work of redemption on earth is **FINISHED**. Hebrews 1:3-4; Luke 24:25-27
- ➤ His work of ruling in heaven has **BEGUN**. Daniel 7:13-14; Acts 2:34-36; 5:30-32; 1 Corinthians 12:3

 Sitting is not sedentary but is sovereignty!

4. HOW Long Does Jesus Sit in His Session? Until His Enemies Are UNDER His Feet!

- The **NOW-NOT YET** Kingdom: The King is now enthroned in heaven, but not yet exalted on earth! Psalm 110; Hebrews 2:5-9; 1 Corinthians 15:25-28; Revelation 19–20
- The King has gone away to **RECEIVE** His kingdom but has not yet come back to rule on the earth.

 Luke 19:11-27

Your Kingdom Come Your Will Be Done on Earth as It Is in Heaven			
MESSIAH KINGDOM Phase	MYSTERY KINGDOM Phase	MANIFESTATION KINGDOM Phase	MERGING KINGDOM Phase
The Gospels	Acts, Epistles, Revelation 1-3	Revelation 4-20	Revelation 21-22
HIS PRESENCE The RULER Has Come	HIS PEOPLE The RULED Are Called Out	HIS PLACE The REALM Is Conquered	HIS PURPOSE The RULE Is Consummated
The King Is Here as Suffering Servant	The King Is Not Here but His Spirit Is Here	The King Is Here as Sovereign Savior	The King and His Father Are Here
The Kingdom Near Because the King is Here	The Kingdom Is Now & Not Yet with the Church	The Kingdom Is Now Fully Here with Israel & the Church	The Kingdom Is Now Forever Here with God Who Is All in All
From John's Water Baptism to Jesus' Spirit Baptism	From the Church's Birth to the Church's Rapture	From Israel's Tribulation to Israel's Restoration	From Christ's Submission to God Is All in All
PROPHET, Priest, King	Prophet, PRIEST, King	Prophet, Priest, KING	GODHEAD
His HUMILIATION on Earth Incarnation, Identification, Crucifixion ⇒	His EXALTATION in HEAVEN Resurrection, Ascension, Glorification, Session, Impartation, Intercession, Preparation ⇒	His EXALTATION on EARTH Millennial Kingdom Revelation ⇒	His EXALTATION for ETERNITY New Creation Consummation

5. NOW WHAT Since Jesus Is Sitting in His Session?

- Our position is seated in the heavenlies with our King.
- > Our *pursuit* on this earth is to do our sovereign's will as His called-out subjects.
- Our proclamation is authorized with His royal authority and presence.
- Our *pleas* in time of need come before His throne of grace!
- Our perseverance in overcoming is secure until He comes!

LOOK UP to the King seated at the God's right hand and **LIVE OUT** His Kingdom message and mission as kingdom citizens in kingdom outposts until the return of the King!