



JUNE 3, 2018

## King of All the Earth Clay Bond

Most of us are familiar with the song "This Is My Father's World," by Franklin L. Shepard. This song teaches that our sovereign God rules this world. This world belongs to Him, as the Psalmist declares, "the seas is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land," (Psa. 95:5). Since God is the Creator of this world, that makes Him "King of all the earth," (Psa. 47:7).

As King of all the earth God is in charge. God is very active in the affairs of this world. The prophet of old made it clear that God wants everyone to know "that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men" (Dan. 4:17). Earlier, in speaking of God, the prophet said, "he removeth kings, and setteth up kings," (Dan. 2:21). All men need to remember that there is a God in Heaven, who is the "governor among the nations," (Psa. 22:28).

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Meeting Times

9:30am

10:30am

6:00pm

Sunday

Bible Class

Worship

Worship

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00pm

Ladies Bible Class will

resume in the fall

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As King of all the earth God has the right to make rules. He expects both men and nations to abide by His moral code and it is His right as Creator to do so. The King of all the earth is a righteous King and a lover of righteousness, (Prov.11:7). He has established a level of righteousness in which nations are to abide and by which they will be exalted, "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin *is* a reproach to any people," (Prov.14:34). In an article titled "National Security - The Real Solution" brother Wayne Jackson wrote, "When the moral fabric of a people deteriorates to a certain point, God can and will bring that power to its knees." We can look to the Biblical examples of the Amorites, Sodom, Gomorrah, Nineveh, Assyria, Babylon, and Rome to see the end of nations who reject God as the King of all the earth. We may also look to more recent examples such as Nazi Germany and the USSR to see that these truths are just as powerful today as they have ever been. All men and nations stand before God! God blesses individuals and nations who fear Him. He will punish wicked nations who refuse Kingship and reject Him (Psalm 66:7). God reminds all nations that He will pour out his wrath upon the heathen that have not known Him, and "upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name" (Psalm 79:6).

We can take comfort in the fact that God is longsuffering with nations and with people. If God brings judgment upon a nation, it is because that nation's "cup of iniquity" is full and there is no fear of God before their eyes anymore (Romans 3:18). A good example of God demonstrating His patience with nations is seen with the Amorites in Genesis 15:16, with Sodom & Gomorrah in Genesis 18, with the Samaritans in Luke 9:52-54 and with the Roman Empire (Revelation 9:20-21). Revelation chapters 6-8 records how God sent partial judgment upon the Roman Empire to try to get them to repent, but they refused to repent of their blood-shed. We need to keep in mind that a nation can become so arrogant, rebellious and wicked that the patience of our merciful God comes to an end. Indeed, this was the case even with God's chosen people who joined King Manasseh in filling "Jerusalem with innocent blood which the Lord would not pardon." (2 Kings 24:1-5).

Considering the lessons of the past, we must look to our own nation that seems bent on following the same path. Will the King of all the earth pardon our nation's shedding of innocent blood? We must pray fervently that our own nation will remember that there is a God in Heaven and that He is indeed the King of all the earth. "Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD; *and* the people *whom* he hath chosen for his own inheritance," (Psa. 33:12).

## Order of Service

<b>Opening Remarks</b>		Clay Bond
Song Leader		Tom Barr
Song #554	Rise Up, O Men of God	
Song #468	O for A Thousand Tongues to S	Sing
Prayer		Don Petrosky, Jr.
Song #359	Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross	
Communion		Ray Parks
		Leonard Meredith
Song #449	None of Self and All of Thee	
Song #228	Holy Bible, Book Divine	
Sermon		Rick Brumback
Song #677	There's A Stranger at the Door	
Offering		
Closing Remarks		Clay Bond
Song #874	Jesus Is Lord	
Dismissal Prayer	,	Chris Windham

#### Upcoming Events:

➢ Today! Pot Luck Fellowship after morning worship

## Wednesday Devotional

June 6<sup>th</sup> Dylan Petrosky

# ...Prayer List...

Gay, Eugene & Barbara Haydon, Leona Simon, Sherila Petrosky,, Nancy Parks, Eland Windham Remember our college students who are away at school: Zach & Jarrett Haydon, Emily & Courtney Meredith, and Steven Petroksy Shut-Ins: Robbi George & Butch Crownover

Attendance: Sunday AM: 40 PM: 30 Wednesday: 32 Contribution: \$6513.99