



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, May 10, 2026

"...taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ..."



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— ORDER OF WORSHIP —

Thank you for joining us this morning! At Christ the King, our worship is a divine-human dialogue, in accordance with Scriptural example and precedent, alternatively hearing God's Word and responding in prayer, song, or meditation. The boxes throughout the bulletin were written to aid each worshipper in thoughtful and meaningful participation in this dialogue. Please prepare your heart by reading through the bulletin, praying for those leading and worshipping around you, and silencing all communication devices.

** Indicates congregational standing*

WE APPROACH THE LORD

Call to Worship

“All the gods of the peoples are worthless idols.” Therefore, all the earth, including us today, are to “sing to the LORD” and “bless His name.”

Psalm 96:1-5 ^{ESV}

1 Oh sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth!

2 Sing to the Lord, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the nations,

his marvelous works among all the peoples!

4 For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be feared above all gods.

5 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,

but the Lord made the heavens.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

This hymn is effectively our Hymn of the Month, though our singing of it will span the last two weeks of April and the first two weeks of May. Its focus on depending on God in times of need in contrast to trusting in idols (see verse 5!) is of continuing relevance to this section of 2 Kings and our time in it.

“All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

(Trinity Hymnal #4)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

The demands for obedience are for us in the New Covenant no different from those under the Old Covenant, as Paul in Romans 10 makes clear. But the crucial factor that makes that obedience the channel of covenant blessing is faith, from which true obedience always flows. We must remember that the Law included commands for atoning sacrifices, which pointed to Christ (Hebrews 9:23-10:4). When the Law is before us, the choice is always either to trust the Lord or reject him in unbelief, both of which are expressed in our response to the Law. Mere outward conformity is not sufficient; trust in the Lord and His work through Christ is what matters. Therefore this passage, as its treatment in Romans 10 makes clear, is between faith and unbelief.

Deuteronomy 30:11-20 ESV

¹¹ "For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. ¹² It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' ¹³ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' ¹⁴ But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.

¹⁵ "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰ loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

The power and consequences of sin, so powerfully portrayed in our sermon text today, are addressed in this plaintive appeal to God for mercy.

“By Thy Mercy”

(RUF Tune)

1. Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

4. When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace. Refrain

2. From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,

5. In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When all human help is vain.

Refrain: By thy mercy, O deliver us,
good Lord
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord,
good Lord.

6. In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our Rock and Stay. Refrain

3. When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour.

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WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

The reading from the Law earlier in this service was preceded by this text, which is a promise of forgiveness and blessing, highlighted by the promise to “circumcise” the hearts of the repentant. It is a wonderful expression of God’s saving work obtained through faith and repentance.

Deuteronomy 30:1-10 ^{ESV}

¹ “And when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before you, and you call them to mind among all the nations where the Lord your God has driven you, ² and return to the Lord your God, you and

your children, and obey his voice in all that I command you today, with all your heart and with all your soul, ³ then the Lord your God will restore your fortunes and have mercy on you, and he will gather you again from all the peoples where the Lord your God has scattered you. ⁴ If your outcasts are in the uttermost parts of heaven, from there the Lord your God will gather you, and from there he will take you. ⁵ And the Lord your God will bring you into the land that your fathers possessed, that you may possess it. And he will make you more prosperous and numerous than your fathers. ⁶ And the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your offspring, so that you will love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live. ⁷ And the Lord your God will put all these curses on your foes and enemies who persecuted you. ⁸ And you shall again obey the voice of the Lord and keep all his commandments that I command you today. ⁹ The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your ground. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, as he took delight in your fathers, ¹⁰ when you obey the voice of the Lord your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, when you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

*** Hymn of Assurance**

We express our faith in Jesus Christ as the only means of salvation in this celebration of His sufficient work for all who trust in Him.

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

(Trinity Hymnal #521)

Prayers of Intercession

During this time the elders will be in the back of the room, ready to take personal prayer requests from and pray with all who want this, and these will be confidential if desired. Everyone who is not receiving prayer in this way will participate in corporate prayer as the worship leader mentions a list of topics. As each item is mentioned, the congregation should respond with the words, “We offer these our prayers,” followed by a brief silent prayer from each individual.

WE HEAR INSTRUCTION FROM THE LORD

Sermon

(Mike Biggs)

**Models of Dominion, Sermon XXII:
“The Reality of God’s Judgment” (continued)**

* 2 Kings 17:1-23

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD

Communion Meditation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (*or universal)

Distribution of Elements

Because we believe that wine was used in the Last Supper and is thus more in accord with the fullness of symbolism intended by God in the Lord's Supper, we offer and encourage wine for those who take part in Communion. For those with conscientious convictions against the use of wine, however, we offer grape juice, which is contained in the inner circle of the communion trays. The cups containing wine are in the outer circles.

“He Walks Among the Golden Lamps”

(Trinity Hymnal #315)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Our spiritual poverty, reflected in our former slavery to sin, is no problem for the One who meets our need out of the riches of His grace. The only proper response is to offer Him a portion in worship of the riches with which He has blessed us.

2 Corinthians 8:9 ESV

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

“A Child of the King”

(Trinity Hymnal #525)

Presentation of Offerings

* **Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

As those upon whose hearts the Law of God has been written, with all our hearts we proclaim both the justice of God's wrath and the faithfulness of His provision for all who take refuge in Him.

“O Lord, Most High, with All My Heart”

(Trinity Hymnal #48)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

May 17, 2026

Models of Dominion, Sermon XXII:
“The Reality of God’s Judgment” (continued)

2 Kings 17:1-23

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

What do we need to understand about God's judgment of His people?

I. We must *recognize the certainty* of God's judgment.

A. God's people are subject to judgment.

B. Resistance to judgment is futile.

C. Partial repentance is insufficient.

II. We must *respect the severity* of God's judgment.

A. It intensifies through recalcitrance toward God.

B. It removes meaning and purpose in God.

C. It forfeits relationship with God.

III. We must *avoid the causes* of God's judgment.

A. Pollution.

B. Adultery.

C. Autonomy.

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

VISION

Purpose (our reason for existence): to reverse the effects of rebellion against God (sin)

Mission (what we are called to do): to build the Kingdom of God, by...

- adding people (incorporation)
- building people (edification)

Core Values (our fundamental commitments):

1. *Knowing* truth from God (Scripture)
2. *Being* right with God (Justification)
3. *Living* life for God (Sanctification)

Goals (what we seek to accomplish):

1. *Worship*—People experiencing and being attracted to and trained in the enjoyment of God
2. *Fellowship*—People displaying and enjoying genuinely loving and giving relationships/Christian community
3. *Christian Education*—People being confronted with and oriented to the whole truth of God
4. *Outreach*—People being drawn to the Church and trained to draw others
5. *Mercy*—People caring about and meeting the material needs of both non-Christians and other Christians



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