

A scenic view of a beach with waves crashing onto the shore. The sand is golden-brown and has several footprints scattered across it. The sky is blue with a few wispy clouds. In the background, a large island or headland is visible across the water.

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Acts 2:33; to 2:36;

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Acts 2:32; “So Jesus, is the one whom God raised from death! We are all eye-witnesses of this!”

2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honour in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

2:34 “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said: The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,! 35. until I bring your enemies into complete subjection.”

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**2:36; “Therefore, all the people of Israel
can be sure of this one thing:**

**God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah,
this man whom you nailed to the cross!”**

**The ultimate conclusion has been reached
and Peter now enforces the thought that must
have been in the mind of every thinking Jew.**

**Jesus had fulfilled every other
qualification of the Christ, there only remains
the exaltation at the right hand of the Father.**

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:33;

Peter states that upon being thus **enthroned**.
Jesus made way for the **APOSTLES** to receive
the promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit.

In 2:25-31; Peter had quoted and explained
Psalm 16:8-11;

He did so to **PROVE** that the Christ would
be **raised to rule as King** on David's throne.

He also gave the **eyewitness testimony**
of **the twelve apostles** that God
had **raised Jesus, the Christ**,
from the dead in fulfillment of that Psalm.



JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:33;

Jesus' enemies could not produce His dead body.

The tomb was empty. The apostles and many others were **witnesses of Jesus' resurrection.**

They saw Him, touched Him and ate with Him many times after His resurrection.

Many Old Testament prophets, including **David**, predicted His death, burial and resurrection.

The Holy Spirit also was **a witness** through His **signs** and **wonders** seen and heard by men. (Heb 2:1-4;)

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:33;

**In 2:25-31 Peter had quoted and explained
Psalm 16:8-11;**

A natural question would then arise:-

**“Where did Jesus go after
He was raised from the dead?”**

Peter answered that question in this verse.

**In doing so, he made several bold and
extremely important claims concerning Jesus.**

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

He declared Jesus:-

**Had been exalted to the right hand of God,
Had Made WAY FOR the Apostles to receive
the Holy Spirit promised from the Father.**

**Had poured out the miraculous events which
occurred on that amazing day of Pentecost.**

Let us look at those claims in more detail.

**First, the claim that Jesus
had been exalted to the right hand of God.**

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

EXALTED - to lift up on high; to glorify.

Of course, this meant

Jesus was in heaven with the Father.

Father glorified His Son by lifting Him up to heaven on high. (Phil 2:9; Heb 2:9; Eph 1:20;)

Montgomery New Testament.

Philippians 2:9; “And for this God highly exalted him, and graciously bestowed upon Him the name which is above every name.”

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:33;
Webster's Bible. :- Heb 2:9; “But we see Jesus,
who was made a little lower than the angels
for the suffering of death, crowned with
glory and honour; that he by the grace of God
should taste death for every man.”

Eph 1:18-20; “18. The eyes of your understanding
being enlightened; that ye may know what
is the hope of his calling, and what the riches
of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,”

“19. And what is the exceeding greatness of
his power to us-ward who believe, according to the
working of his mighty power, 20. Which he wrought
in Christ, when **he raised him from the dead, and set
him at his own right hand in the heavenly places.**”

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Compare the use of this same word EXALTED in another passage of scripture:-

John 8:28; “So Jesus said to them, “When **you lift the Son of Man** (on the cross), you will know **that I am the Christ**, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but that I say exactly what my Father has instructed me to say.

NOT ONLY was Jesus EXALTED, but He was exalted "to the right hand of God."

In the Bible the right hand, especially the right hand of God, is a position of power and authority. (Job 40:14; Psa 17:7; 18:35;)

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

To a position "on" or "at" the right hand of God. (Acts 2:34; 7:55-56; Mark 16:19; Eph 1:20; Col 3:1; Heb 1:3; 8:1; 10:12; 12:2; 1 Pet 3:22;)

Paul later spoke of “Christ Jesus that died, yes rather, that was **raised from the dead,** who is at the right hand of God.” (Rom 8:34;)

Jesus was once “lifted up” (from [hupsothen]) on the **cross,** (John 3:14; 8:28; 12:32;) but now is lifted up or “**exalted**” (same word) on high.

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Job 40:14; “Then I will also acknowledge to you that your own right hand can give you victory.”

Psalms 17:7; “Show Your marvellous loving kindness by Your right hand, O You who save those who trust in You from those who rise up against them.”

Jesus, then, was glorified by the Father by being lifted up to heaven in a position of power and authority.



**He Reigns in Heaven
Over His Kingdom.**

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:33;
Therefore, Jesus was ruling as the Messiah,
the King, in heaven, just as prophesied
in Psalm 16:8-11;!

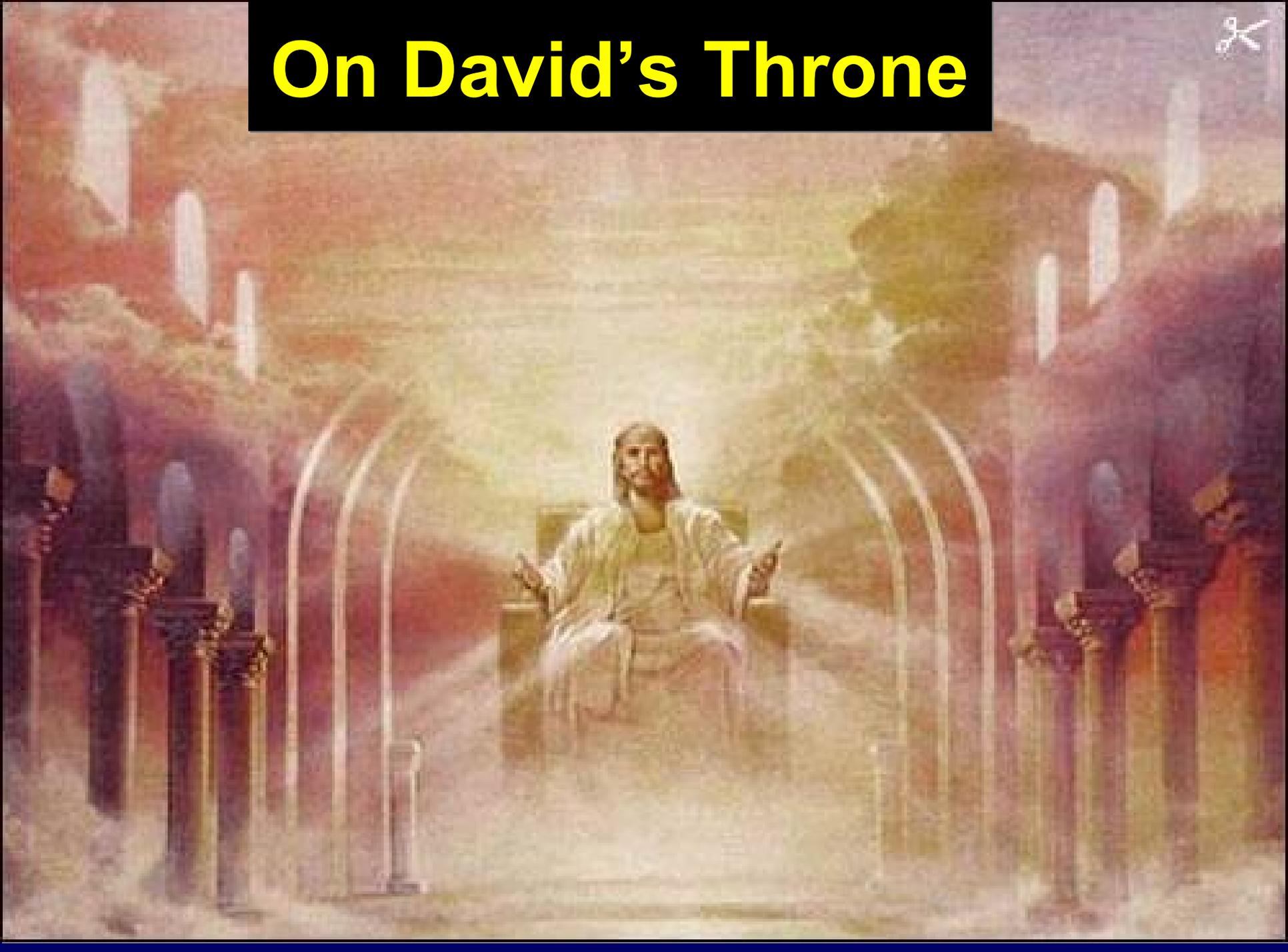
Jesus sits on His Father's throne in heaven
and will reign over His Kingdom until every one
of His enemies is destroyed. (1 Cor 15:24-25;)
The last enemy to be destroyed will be death.

Then He will turn the Kingdom over to His Father.

God has given Him all authority in heaven
and on earth until the end of time.

There will be no other or different kind
of kingdom coming upon this earth.

On David's Throne



Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

God had promised David that his son would sit on his throne and rule Israel forever.

Jesus has that position now. He sits on David's throne as King of the Kingdom, the Holy Nation of Spiritual Israel that supplanted physical Israel.

**It is made up of Jews and Gentiles who have given their lives in faithful obedience to the gospel of Christ.
(Rom 11; Ephes 2; 1 Pet 2:9-10; Gal 3:26-29;)**

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Jesus is Lord. The Lord is the owner of His slaves and estate. **He is our Master.**

Christ is the Anointed One.

Christ is the Greek equivalent of Messiah.

The Messiah was the King, the High Priest and the National Prophet Who Spoke for God.

Each of these was anointed.

Jesus combines all these offices or positions in Himself.

Both Lord and Christ



Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Jesus' ruling as King BEGAN in the first century. NOT hundreds or thousands of years later as some religious leaders teach today!

Christ began to rule:-

AFTER He made purification for sins.

(Heb 1:3ff;)

AFTER His resurrection from the dead.

(2:30-32;).

AFTER His ascension back into heaven.

(Dan 7:13-14;)

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

From these things, we can see that when Peter claimed Jesus had been EXALTED to the right hand of God, he made an extremely important claim!

We see Peter ALSO claimed that after Jesus returned to heaven, Jesus received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father which He then Poured out on the APOSTLES in Acts 2:1-4;

Remember Jesus said He would not be able to send the Holy Spirit to the apostles until He went back to the Father in heaven.

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

John 16:7; “Yet, I am telling you the truth, my going is for your good. For unless I go away **the Comforter will not come to you; but if I depart I will send him unto you.**”

John also said the Holy Spirit would not be given until Jesus was glorified.

John 7:39; “Now he said this concerning the Spirit whom those who believed in him should receive. **For the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.**”

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Thus, the fact that this promise was fulfilled that day was conclusive evidence proving Jesus had gone back to heaven and had been glorified!

Peter claimed Jesus had poured out the SPIRIT resulting in the miraculous events which the audience was seeing and hearing that very day.

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

This referred to several things:-

First, the miraculous outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. (2:1-4;)

Second, the miraculous ability of the apostles to speak in other languages which they had never learned before. (2:4-13;)

Third, the miraculous ability of the apostles to reveal the truth, the word of God and interpret prophecy. (2:14ff;)

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

With regard to the miracles in general;

God has started EVERY AGE WITH POWER,
then He has left it to run its natural course;

**The Creation:- Man was miraculously created
and then every other man had
to be born in the natural manner.**

Man according to his kind. Trees etc.

**Sinai:- Miracles of Egypt. All the miracles
of the feeding in the wilderness, water from
the rock, the passing through the waters etc.
but after they entered Jordan it is recorded
“they ate the fruit of the land.”**

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

Brief period:- With Elijah and Elisha after the division of the kingdom.

Christian period:- With **the apostles** etc.

The visible gifts of the Holy Spirit in the 1st Century then continued with the words of the Holy Spirit as we read in the New Testament.

Notice how Peter has dealt with the earlier charge by some in the audience that what happened that day was a result of the apostles being under the influence of wine.

(Acts 2:13;)

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

In **Acts 2:16-21;** He first demonstrated that **this miraculous outpouring of the Holy Spirit had been prophesied by the Lord in the scriptures.**

Then in **2:22-31;** He proved that the resurrection of Jesus had also been predicted in the scriptures.

In **2:32;** He showed that the apostles were eyewitnesses to the resurrection.

In this verse **2:33;** he made reference to **the promise of Jesus to send the Holy Spirit to the apostles.**

Acts 2:33; “And now he sits on the throne of highest honor in heaven, next to God. And just as promised, the Father gave him the authority to send the Holy Spirit, with the results you are seeing and hearing today.”

All of these undeniable facts and scriptures were a reasonable and logical explanation of what happened that day.

All of these things also served as conclusive confirmation that Peter and the other apostles were speaking by the authority and power of almighty God!

Peter had said previously that God had raised Jesus from the dead (v24) but in the intervening verses He tells us why He was raised from the dead.

Acts 2:34; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand.”

**Peter here gives to us the proof
of Jesus resurrection.**

“We know God raised Him from the dead,”
says Peter, “**for we all (we apostles)
are witnesses of His resurrection.**” 2:32;

**Peter had earlier quoted a Psalm of David.
Now he cites another Psalm of David.
Again it is a Messianic Psalm.**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

“For **it was not David** who ascended
into heaven, but he himself says:
'The Lord said to my lord,
"Sit at My right hand, until I make
your enemies a footstool for your feet.”

“Therefore let all the house of Israel know
for certain that God has made Him both Lord
and Christ - **this Jesus whom you crucified.**”

In this Psalm, **the Lord (literally, YAHVEH)**
spoke to one whom David referred to as,
“my Lord”

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:34-35;

Since David referred to this person as LORD,
He was **obviously someone superior to David.**

Psalm 16

*You will not abandon my soul
to hades, not allow Your holy
one to undergo decay*

Peter quotes this to show that
the resurrection was promised
in the Scriptures

Psalm 110

*'The Lord said to my lord, "Sit at
My right hand, ³⁵ until I make your
enemies a footstool for your feet."*

Peter quotes this to show that the
ascension was promised in the
Scriptures

In fact, **the Jews recognized this** as a Psalm which
predicted something about **the Messiah, the Christ.**
(cf. Mt 22:41-46; Lk 20:41-44;)

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

The picture of making the necks of enemies to be a footstool was a common one in ancient times. A king would demonstrate his victories by having all of the conquered kings come and kneel before him.

The conqueror would then place his foot upon the head or neck of the vanquished, showing to all that a victory had taken place.

Jesus won the battle over sin and death upon the cross. **It isn't apparent to everyone else that He won.** So, He awaits the day when all creation will be shown that **He has won the victory.**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

Peter was using Psa 110:1; as one more
scriptural piece of evidence to prove Jesus
was the prophesied Christ, the Messiah!

The **prophetic reference**
was therefore **to Jesus himself.**
Later, **Psa 110:1;** was quoted again
(**Heb 1:13;**) in a context
Where **Jesus is addressed as “God”**
(**Heb 1:8; from Psa 45:6;**)

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

Peter’s logical reasoning was as follows:-

**Jesus had been exalted to the right hand of God.
(v33;) David prophesied that the Christ would
sit at the right hand of God. (v34-35; Psa 110:1;)**

**THEREFORE JESUS was the Christ
who fulfilled this prophecy!**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

He was crucified.

His body did not decay in the tomb.

His spirit did not remain in Hades.

**He is spoken of as raised
by God from the dead.**

**Then INDEED this JESUS
MUST be The Christ of God.**

He now is at the right hand of the Father.

**The only LEGITIMATE CONCLUSION
that could be drawn was that Jesus, the
Christ was in heaven at the right hand of God
as the fulfillment of this prophecy.**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

**And in that position
of power and authority,
JESUS is RULING NOW AS KING
over His kingdom.**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

**Psa 110:1 was not only quoted by Peter
to establish Jesus' present heavenly reign
but also alluded to by Paul
for the same purpose.
(1 Cor 15:24-28;)**

**The combination of these two passages
completely destroys the premillennial theory.**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

**Jesus is to sit at God's right hand in heaven
until God causes all of Jesus' enemies
to be "the footstool" or "under" His feet.**

**For the present, Christ rules in the midst
of his enemies (Psa 110:2;) and thus “we see
not yet all things subjected to him.” (Heb 2:8:)**

**But the time is coming when “He shall have
abolished all rule and authority and power.”
(1 Cor 15:24;)**

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

And since “the last enemy that shall be abolished is death.” (1 Cor 15:26;)

Jesus must remain in heaven until death is no more!

All premillennialists teach that death will not be abolished until the end of the millennium and dawn of eternity.

But Peter and Paul imply that the millennial reign Rev 20:4-6; is taking place right now (in heaven) and will be over when Jesus returns.

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

To further substantiate **the application**
of Paul's reference in 1 Cor 15;
to Jesus' reign at this present time,

Notice that **when Jesus was raised** to sit at God's
right hand in heaven. (Eph 1:20;)
He was placed “far above all rule and authority
and power.” (Eph 1:21; cf. 1 Pet 3:22;)

The **very things that must be abolished**
by the end of His reign. (1 Cor 15:24;)

Acts 2:34-35; “For David himself never went up to heaven, but yet he said:
The Lord declared to my Lord, take your seat at my right hand,
till I have made your enemies your footstool.”

This means that **since Jesus' ascension.**
God has "put all things in subjection under
his feet." (Eph 1:22; Matt 28:8;)

The very **statement made by Paul 1 Cor 15:27;**
to explain the abolition of death
at the end of Jesus' temporal reign
which all agree takes place
at the end of the world.

Leaves NO ROOM for any second reign,
second destruction of all his enemies,
or any earthly millennium in between.

**JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:36;
God, through Peter, announced the grand
conclusion of His argument. 2:36;**

**“Let all the house
of Israel therefore
know assuredly that
God has made Him both
Lord and Christ,
this Jesus
whom you crucified.”**



**The IMPACT of these words
can hardly be IMAGINED by you and me.**

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:36;

**The ONE for whom ALL the Jews of ages past
had longed and prayed had now arrived,
ONLY TO BE CRUCIFIED**

by the very ones FOR whom He came.

**But God the Father RAISED Jesus
from the dead and placed Him
at His own right hand, thus making:-**

**Jesus both
"Lord" and "Christ."**

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

These are two very important words!

"Lord"

The word indicates one who is **SUPREME**
in power, rank, and authority;
Superior to all others; an owner; a master
to whom service is due on any grounds.

**Thus, the Father had made Jesus
the supreme ruler; superior to all others;
and the master to whom service is due
on the basis of His death, resurrection,
and exaltation. Phil 2:8-11;**

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Philippians 2:8-11;

8. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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“The Christ”

This word means anointed, a term often associated with kings or CHOSEN ones.

In the New Testament, it was used to refer to the Messiah, the King whom the Jews expected to be the saviour of their nation.

Thus, the Father had made Jesus the Messiah, the Saviour, the greatest of kings.

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

**When we combine the words Lord and Christ
and the meaning of those words,
the effect is overwhelming!**

**The Father made Jesus the Lord.
(The Master who is supreme in power,
rank, and authority.)**

**And, He made Jesus the Christ.
(The Messiah, the Saviour,
and the greatest of kings.)**

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

**In effect, the Father was saying
that **Jesus is God, He is deity.****

He has divine attributes.

He is the One to be obeyed as Ruler!

**Truly,
He is the Lord of lords
and the King of kings.
(Rev 17:14;)**

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

**Peter is urging his hearers
to accept the deity of Jesus.**

**In spite of their crucifying Him,
He was “declared to be the Son of God with
power ... by the resurrection from the dead.”**

(Rom 1:4;)

**Therefore, whenever one confesses
“Jesus as Lord” (Rom 10:9;) or “to be Christ”
(John 9:22;), they are acknowledging
that deity. (Matt 16:16; Acts 8:37;)**

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Peter's climactic appeal to his Jewish listeners is much like a later statement when he urged his readers,
“Sanctify in your hearts Christ as Lord.”
(1 Pet 3:15;)

They needed to sincerely
“believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing they may have life in His name.”
(John 20:31;)

Acts 2:36; “For this reason the whole House of Israel can be certain that the Lord and Christ whom God has made is this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Peter closed the sermon proper with a stinging reference to:-
“**this Jesus whom you crucified.**”

Thus, the audience was guilty of crucifying **Jesus**, the One whom the Father raised up to rule as **the Lord and Christ** over all men.

You can imagine the effect, the impact that this fact had on the hearts of those in the audience as they allowed these inspired words to penetrate their minds!

No wonder they cried out:-
WHAT SHALL WE DO?”

JESUS:- EXALTED & ENTHRONED. Acts 2:36;

**Have WE thought about
what it means when WE say,
"Jesus is my Lord and my Christ?"**

**Would WE ALL be BETTER Christians
if we thought more frequently
about what
"Jesus is my Lord and Christ"
really means?**

**Brief review of chapter 2 so far!
The promise fulfilled.**

**2:1-13; Apostles filled with the Holy Spirit
and speak with other languages.**

**2:14-36; The Holy Spirit (through Peter)
convicts the crowd of sin,
righteousness and judgment.**

**2:14-21; Inspired interpretation
of these events.**

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**2:22-24; Jesus:- Approved by God;
Killed by Jews;
Raised by the Father.**

. 2:25-32; Jesus:- The Proof from Prophecy.

2:33-36; Jesus: Exalted and Enthroned.

Acts 2:33 to 36;

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