



# God's Two Kingdoms

## The Old Testament: Part 1

# Hope Fulfilled

Mark 1:14-15

“Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, **The time is fulfilled**, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.””

# Kingdom of God in the Old Testament

YHWH is King over Israel

Deuteronomy 33:5 Thus the LORD became king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people were gathered, all the tribes of Israel together.

# Kingdom of God in the Old Testament

YHWH is King over all of Creation

2 Kings 19:15 And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD and said: O LORD the God of Israel, who is enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth.

# The Old Testament Hope

Psalm 96:10-13 “Say among the nations, ‘**The LORD reigns!**’ Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; **he will judge** the peoples with equity.’ Let the heavens be glad, and **let the earth rejoice**; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, **for he comes, for he comes** to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.”

# A Dynamic Hope

“The first and outstanding characteristic of the Old Testament concept is that it is theocentric and dynamic. It is the rule of God. Furthermore, the emphasis is not upon the state of affairs or the final order of things but upon the fact that God will rule. The state of affairs to be finally introduced is but the inevitable result of the final vindication of the divine rule” --George Eldon Ladd

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“In the year of the kingdom/reign...”

# A Dynamic Hope

Psalm 145:11-13 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an **everlasting kingdom**, and **your dominion endures** throughout all generations.

# A Dynamic Hope

Psalm 98:8-9 Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for **he comes** to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Deuteronomy 33:2, 5 The LORD **came** from Sinai and dawned from Seir upon us; he shone forth from Mount Paran; he came from the ten thousands of holy ones, with flaming fire at his right hand... Thus the LORD became king in Jeshurun...

# A Dynamic Hope

A Kingly and Divine Visitation

Deliverance from Enemies

Isaiah 59:20

Judgment

Isaiah 26:21

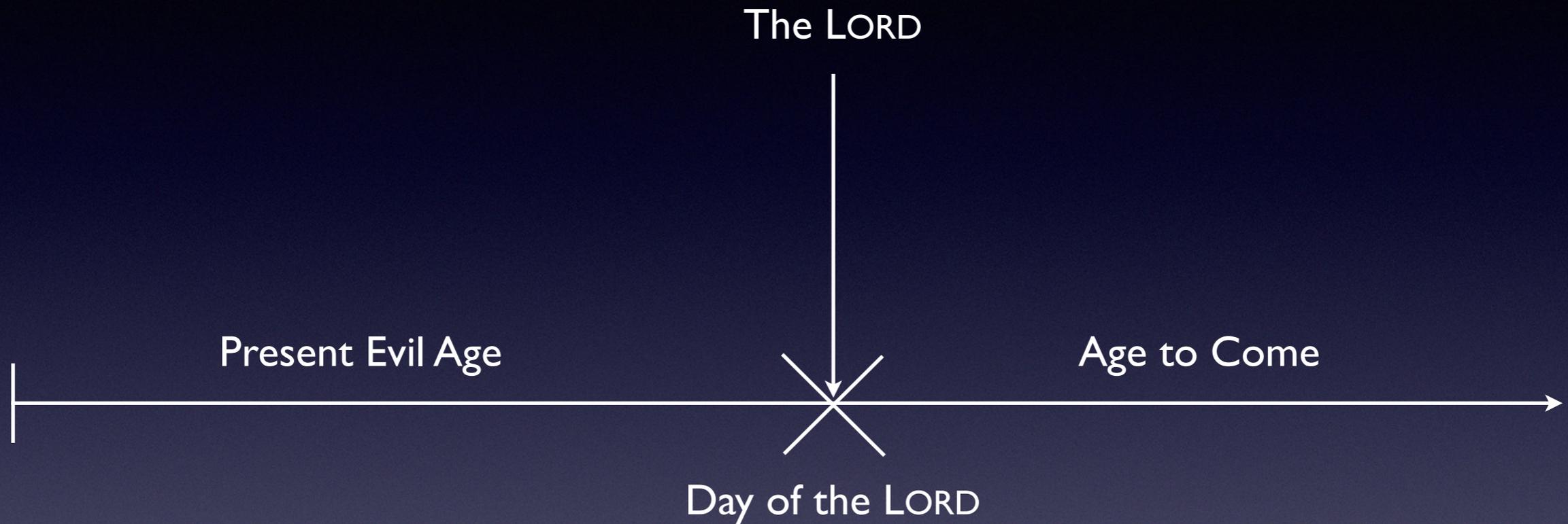
Day of Rejoicing

Isaiah 35:4-6

# A Dynamic Hope

“Back of this language is a distinct theology of the God who comes. God who visited Israel in Egypt to make them his people who has visited them again and again in their history, must finally come to them in the future to judge wickedness and to establish his Kingdom. Israel’s hope is thus rooted in history, or rather in the God who works in history.” --George Eldon Ladd

# An Eschatological Hope



Amos 5:18-20

Joel 2:28-29

Daniel 7:13-14

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Amos 5:18-20 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

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Joel 2:1, 28-29 Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble for the day of the LORD is coming; it is near...And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.”

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## Daniel 7:13-14

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.