

## **Sermon Series: Daniel: Christ Among the Exiles**

Sermon Text: Daniel 7:13-18 The Son of Man Over the Beasts

**In Christ we have the hope of everlasting and global dominion.**

### **1) Christ Jesus became man to recover man.**

- a) “with the clouds of heaven” indicates deity
- b) “one like a son of man” (v. 13) interpreted as “saints of the Most High” (v. 18)
- c) Christ as representative, covenant head of His people
- d) Identity in Christ is holy (saints)
- e) **Application:** Are you finding your identity in Christ?

### **2) Christ Jesus became man to recover man’s dominion.**

- a) “to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom”—implies reward for work; entrusted due to faithful service
- b) “that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him”—rescued from beast-empires (v. 17 “four beasts are four kings”)
- c) “But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom”—receive as a gift
- d) “possess the kingdom forever”—security of dominion
- e) **Application:** How do we exercise dominion now?
  - i) In Christ, not in the flesh/old Adam
  - ii) In our worship of Christ
  - iii) In our witness for Christ
  - iv) In obedience to Christ in our various callings
  - v) Believing the truth God has revealed (v. 16)

**Doxology:** Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen. (Rom. 16:25-27)