

Acts 13:26–41
Jesus Earned the Right to Rule the World
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Sermon Outline

Notes:

I. Introduction

A. What Would You Ask for?

“All that God had planned from the very beginning, Jesus accomplished. And everything that God will do in the **future** will take place because Jesus accomplished these things.”

B. Jesus is Worthy to Open the Scrolls! (Rev. 5:1-12)

C. Declared to be the Son of God! (Rom. 1:4)

1. The Promise of a Son

2. The Promise of a King

3. The Promise of Emmanuel (God with Us)

D. “The Messiah Can’t Die Paul!”

1 Corinthians 1:22–23

²² For Jews demand *signs* and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³ but we preach **Christ crucified**, a stumbling block to Jews...

1. The coming kingdom is about power

2. The coming kingdom is eternal

Key Idea

Nothing can thwart the plans of God who has raised his Son Jesus from the dead to sit on the eternal throne of David. Repent & Believe!

II. Paul’s Answer: the Promises of the *Eternal Davidic King* is proved by the Resurrection

Acts 13:30-33

³⁰ But **God** raised him from the dead ... ³² And we bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers, ³³ this he has fulfilled to us their children **by raising Jesus**, as also it is written in the second Psalm, “‘You are my **Son**, today I have begotten you.’ (Psalm 2:7)

- A. **Point #1:** The Resurrection is God's action Enthroning His Son! (Psalm 2:7)
- B. **Point #2:** The ***Eternal*** Nature of the Messiah and His Kingdom is ***Fulfilled*** by the Resurrection

Acts 13:34–35

³⁴ And as for the fact that he **raised him from the dead, no more to return to corruption**, he has spoken in this way, “*I will give you the **holy** and sure blessings of David.*” (Isaiah 55:3 - Greek) ³⁵ Therefore he says also in another psalm, “*You will not let your **Holy One** see **corruption**.*” (Psalm 16:10)

Psalm 16:8–11

⁸ I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your **holy one** see **corruption**. ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures ***forevermore***.

Isaiah 55:2–5

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and [Greek] I will give you the **holy** [things], the **sure** [things] of **David**.” ⁴ Behold, I made **him** a witness to the peoples, ***a leader*** and ***commander*** for the peoples. ⁵ Behold, **you** shall call a nation that **you** do not know, and a nation that did not know **you** shall run to **you**, because of the Lord your God, and of **the Holy One of Israel**, for he ***has glorified you***.

- C. **Point #3:** David was meant to Point to Jesus

Acts 13:36-37

³⁶ For **David**, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep and was laid with his fathers and saw corruption, ³⁷ but *he whom God raised up* did not see corruption. [i.e. Jesus]

B. **Point #4:** God's Kingdom **Victory** is Bigger than You Have ever Imagined!

Acts 13:38-39

³⁸ Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that **through this man** [i.e. Jesus] forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, ³⁹ and by him *everyone who believes is freed* from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

1 Corinthians 15:20–26

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ... ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after *destroying every rule and every authority and power*. ²⁵ For **he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet**. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Revelation 5:5–12

“Weep no more; behold, **the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered**, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.” ⁶ And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw **a Lamb** standing, *as though it had been slain*... ⁷ And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸ And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb... ⁹ And they sang a new song,

saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,¹² saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb **who was slain**, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”

1. Judgment & Hell
2. Heaven & Earth

III. Application

A. Don't Fall Prey to Wicked Unbelief

Acts 13:40-41

⁴⁰ Beware, therefore, lest what is said in the Prophets should come about: ⁴¹ “Look, you scoffers, be astounded and perish; for I am doing a work in your days, a work that you will not believe, even if one tells it to you.” (Habakkuk 1:5)

1 Corinthians 1:22–25

²² For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom,²³ but we preach **Christ crucified**, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles,²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, **Christ the power of God** and **the wisdom of God**.²⁵ *For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.*

- B. Our Most Dangerous Enemy is Sin
- C. Our Hopes & Dreams are too Small (Ps. 84:10)