December 12, 2021 *The Bridge Bible Fellowship* Pastor Paul S. Brown Selected Scriptures

"Jesus Christ: Our Prophet, Priest, and King – Part One"

Discussion & Application:

- 1. In our study of Psalm 111, we are instructed to praise and thank the LORD for His works and His words. Share with one another some of your favorite works of the LORD and your favorite words of the LORD. Why are those so meaningful to you? Take a few moments and give sentence prayers of praise and thanksgiving to God for those specific things.
- 2. Theologians speak of the three "offices" of Christ (prophet, priest, and king) as a summary of His work (past, present, and future). What other words could you use to describe these offices? Can you think of any works of Christ that don't fit in one of those three offices? Can you see all three of those offices in Heb. 1:1-3?
- 3. The words "Messiah" and "Christ" mean "Anointed One." In the Old Testament, prophets (1 Kings 19:16), priests (Ex. 28:41), and kings (1 Sam. 10:1) were "anointed" with oil and set apart for their specific function in the nation. Why do we need a prophet? Why do we need a priest? Why do we need a king?
- 4. The Bible frequently warns us about false prophets (Mt.7:15; 24:11, 24). How can you discern if someone is a true prophet? See Dt. 13:1-5; 18:21-22.
- What promise in Dt. 18:15-19 did the LORD make to Moses? How do we know Jesus is the fulfillment of that promise? See Mt. 21:11, 46; Lk. 13:33; 24:19; Jn. 4:19; 6:14; 7:37-40; Acts 3:17-26. If someone other than Jesus claims to be the ultimate or final prophet of God (i.e., Muhammad), what are they?
- 6. What specific tasks was a prophet supposed to do? Read Jeremiah 23. How specifically did the prophets fail the LORD and the people? What did God promise He would do in response?
- 7. What made Jesus unique as a prophet / teacher? See Lk. 24:25ff; Mt. 5:21-22, 27-28; Heb. 1:1-3.
- 8. What is a Theophany? How did the Second Person of the Trinity work as a prophet before the Incarnation? See 1 Tim. 2:5; 1 Pet. 1:10-11. Who was walking with Adam & Eve in the Garden? Who spoke to Moses on the mountain? Who provided water in the wilderness (1 Cor. 10)? Note also "The Angel of the LORD" passages (Gen. 16:7-12; 21:17f; 22:11-18; Ex. 3:2; Judges 2:1-4; 5:23; 6:11-24; 13:3-22; 2 Sam. 24:16; Zech. 1:12; 3:1; 12:8).
- 9. How did Jesus work as a prophet during His ministry on earth? See Jn. 1:14-18; 8:26-28; 12:49-50; 14:10, 24; 15:15; 17:8, 20; Mt. 4:17; Mt. 24-25.
- 10. What work of a prophet has Jesus been doing since He ascended to heaven? See Jn. 16:12-15; 1 Cor. 2:16; 1 Pet. 1:10-11; Eph. 4:11-12; Jn. 13:15; Phil. 2:5; 1 Pet. 2:22
- 11. Read John 8:28 and 12:49-50. Jesus only spoke true words from God the Father, words of eternal life. And Jesus inspired the whole Bible (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Pet. 1:20-21). How well do you know the Bible? What is your plan to read, hear, study, memorize, and meditate upon its truths consistently?
- 12. Take some time to praise and thank the LORD for His office of Prophet. Thank Him for revealing God's truth, inspiring the Bible, confronting our sinfulness, calling us to repent, giving us promises, foretelling the future, providing gifted teachers, and sending His Spirit to illuminate our minds to understand and apply His truth. Recommit your life to trust and obey Him in every area for His glory.