

From Heaven's Heart

Who Sits on the Throne of Your Life?

Would you take a moment and think about this question? It's more important than most folks realize and I can't think of a better time than Christmas to ponder over this question. The truth is, who sits on the throne of our lives is what's right and what's wrong with the world today. And the truth is, it's no more complicated or difficult to understand than this uncomplicated question. Who sits on the throne of your life?

Answer this simple question and you will be able to come to a complete understanding of all that is right in the world around us and all that is wrong. At least this is what I believe the bible teaches.

Whoever sits on the throne of your life...either yourself or Christ...is the center of your life. Perhaps there is a relationship, career, hobby, addiction, or other pursuit that is at the center of your life. If anyone or anything besides Christ is at the center of our life, we will never be the fruitful or happy Christian we may desire to be. And the truth is, God is at the center of the entire universe and this includes your life. God created life. God created you. And regardless of what or who you believe is in charge, it's not you, it's not our government or scientists...it's God. He spoke first when He spoke the world into being and He will have the final word. As a matter of fact, He's already spoken the final word when Jesus, the Son of God spoke from the cross "It is finished".

God also spoke all the words that fill in the blanks from the beginning until the end and He tells us all the things that are in between. And all the things in between we will experience depending on who sits on the throne of your life.

You see, God's plan is very personal. It's personal to Him because He created you out of His very personal love for you...and with a good and fruitful purpose for you that will stretch out its arms and touch others in a good way if God sits on the throne of your life.

If you have chosen to sit on the throne of your life, then there are obvious and clear signs. Without God at the center, on the throne, we quickly become distracted and distracted living becomes a lifestyle. A distracted life...distracted away from God, slowly

but surely sucks all the oxygen out of what God breathed into us from the moment of our conception. Life, as God intended, filled with joy, peace, love, forgiveness and power disappears. It's a life we fill up with mostly nothing of real value.

Jesus said this about the sower whose seed fell among the thorns, which choked the crop. He said, "Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. Matt. 13:22 No real value!

How many of us are so distracted by the cares of this world and the entanglement of financial issues that the Word of God is pushed aside?

God wants to distract you from the distractions. If we refuse to allow God to distract us from the distractions, it can permanently hinder the progress God wants us to make within us. Jesus warns us. "I have this against you, that you have left your first love, you have lost the depth of love that you first had for Me."

But at this very moment, we can turn this all around. We can ask God to help us remove ourselves from the throne of our lives and invite Him to take the seat on the throne so we can experience life...life as He planned for us, His children...the abundant life He promised...without the distractions of the world...Real, satisfying, joy filled, abundant life can be yours...beginning today. The only thing required is our repentance to God for removing Him from the throne of our lives so we can begin our new life today. This is my prayer for you today. Lord, remove the distractions from my life because I want the life you planned for all your children. Amen.

With the deepest love for you today without all of life's distractions,

Pastor Steve

PS Merry Christmas