

**Life Group Notes**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Speaker:** Sean Green

**Title:** The Greater Monarch

**Passage:** Daniel 7:13-14

**Elizabeth’s Coronation**

The coronation of Elizabeth II took place on 2 June 1953 at Westminster Abbey in London. She arrived at her coronation in the Gold State Coach and was processed to the altar. Here she was anointed with oil, and she swore an oath to uphold UK law and be the head of the Church of England. She was crowned Queen of a United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. She was given crown jewels, of incalculable worth, symbolising power and wealth. She was then processed out and presented to her people, receiving the praise of her subjects. Her reign has endured for a record breaking 70 years. Her legacy will be one of steadfast service and duty over decades of tumultuous change.

**Read Daniel 7v13-14**

**Son of Man’s Coronation**

In exile, Daniel has a vision of a heavenly coronation, long expected and hoped for by God’s people. In this vision, Daniel someone like a ‘son of man’, a phrase that means this person is God, doubly confirmed becomes He’s coming with the clouds of heaven. The son of man approaches the Ancient of Days, and is not destroyed by the Holiness of God, for he is a sinless man. This ‘son of man’ is given heaven’s authority, honour, rule, power and sovereignty over all of creation. This is recognised by all the nations of the world, every race and nation and language would now obey him. His rule is eternal, all-encompassing and will never end. His kingdom will never be destroyed or usurped.

**A Greater Monarch:**

Queen Elizabeth II		Jesus the Christ
Uncle	Abdication	Adam
Gold State Coach	Transport	Clouds
Westminster Abbey	Location	Heaven’s throne room
Arch-Bishop Canterbury: to be Queen	Anointed	Holy Spirit: to be Prophet/Priest/King
Uphold UK law / head of CofE	Purpose	Fulfil God’s Law / head of The Church
Bounded: time & geography	Kingdom	Unbounded: eternal, cosmic
Symbolised by Crown Jewels	Glory	Inherent glory revealed
To her people	Presented	To all nations
70 yrs+ / succession	Reign	Unending/no successor
Service & Duty	Legacy	Sacrifice & Love

**Suggested questions**

1. How has God used / redeemed a man’s abdication for His glory?
2. In what other ways is Jesus a greater monarch than Elizabeth II?
3. What did you sense God was saying to the church on Sunday?