



Part 1: *Invasion*

INTRODUCTION – What was Jesus’ mission? Bird’s nest view

DINE IN – A Vision of Heaven Invading Earth

Daniel 7

The Beasts

Different kinds of Empires but the same problems

The Ancient of Days

Humanity’s Son or “the son of man”

Holy Ones

1. Set apart for a special purpose
2. Not necessarily morally perfect

The Eternal Kingdom

The Revolution of the Early Jesus Movement

Jesus Christ = “Rescuing King” or “Religious Teacher”

Holy Ones = “Set Apart Ones” or “Better-than-others Saints”

Christianity = “God’s Kingdom” or “Christian Religion”

Gospel = “Great Imperial Message” or “Religious Beliefs”

Church = “Citizen’s Assembly” or “Religious building or service”

Luke 17:21; 19:10; Mark 1:1; 1 Corinthians 1:2; Ephesians 2:19

TAKE OUT – Enlist in the revolution!

Worship and serve the Invading King (Hebrews 12:28-29)

Become a “Holy One” – set apart for a higher purpose

Set your priority on mission (Luke 9:22-27; Acts 20:24)

CONCLUSION – Do we get who we are serving?

Week 2: Revolution: How We Partner to Change Lives

Week 3: Explosion: How We Partner To Change the World

Memory Verse:

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save those who are lost.” (Luke 19:10, NLT)

Additional resources available—notes, recommended reading, online videos, podcasts and more—online at themeetinghouse.ca/teaching

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HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS

Warming Up...

1. Take time to introduce new people and have people share one fun thing they experienced this summer.
2. Ask who volunteers at The Meeting House? What role do you serve in and what have you learned through serving in this role?

Look to the Book...

3. Take a moment to recap Sunday’s teaching. If you can, watch the YouTube clip on “Healing of the King” from Lord of the Rings with Gandalf and King Theodan (youtube.com/watch?v=Y6wE2W3ag1g). Hand out pieces of paper. As you read **Daniel 7:13-14** and **Revelation 1:13-18** have each member draw Jesus’ image as described in these passages or write phrases or associations that stand out. A) What do these two visions tell you about Jesus? What emotions or feelings do these visions evoke in you? B) Read **Psalms 23**. If Jesus is described this way, in what ways is it different from Daniel 7 or Revelation 1? What are the implications of these different images as you think about your relationship with Jesus? C) What practical changes come from seeing Jesus as the King of your life?

So What?...

4. Based on what we have talked about tonight, what changes do you feel you should make to: A) the way you feel about Jesus; B) how you express worship to Jesus; C) how you set priorities for your daily life; D) what part you play in advancing his kingdom?
5. From these different areas in your life, what’s one clear step this Home Church can help you take?
6. Take time to pray for each other in these areas and your next steps.

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