

I. Recap: Establishing God's Throne and Rule

This morning we will be back in Proverbs chapter 29, slowly moving our way through. Let me give you a recap because last week goes right into this week. In fact, it is kind of a pseudo introduction for what we are going to talk about today. You remember last week we were in Proverbs 29:14-16, and we examined three really important verses that I told you would really help you with the Bible. There is a lot of material in that.

We talked about first of all, verse 14, where it talked about establishing a throne. I showed you, we went into some detail on that, and some of you had even come to me Thursday night that you were in studies of this, and I helped you with it, showing you that, doctrinally, that is dealing with the millennial reign of Christ in that verse, the righteous reign, which the Bible says in Revelation, is the reign of a Rod of Iron. I showed you how the Bible will always take the pre-millennial approach to the coming of Christ, and I took time to lay out for you the other two viewpoints, which are totally inaccurate and really heresy.

We go through this all the time, but we talked again about the theme of the Bible, which is a throne, the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Heaven being established when Christ comes back, and how important that is. All the Bible just revolves around those two aspects, and it is the key to it, and all the key verses that I gave you last week that you need to make it work for you, to understand it.

Then we kind of moved into the inspirational side of it, and we talked about God's throne, the righteous rule, the reign, being established in three ways in our lives as Christians.

1. Establishing the rule and the reign of God in our hearts.
2. The establishment of the rule and the reign of God in our church.
3. In our families.

I showed you how the verses began with Christ's millennial reign, but then very obviously moved into dealing with our children in verse 15. We keep coming through Proverbs, and you obviously see this over and over again, how the importance of families keeps popping up. Over and over again, the Bible spares no expense, literally anyhow, of really talking about the importance of families.

I have showed you before how that in the Old Testament and the New Testament, that was God's plan. He called out Abraham; He called him because Abraham would do what is right with his family. God planned for the nation of Israel to be built with families that would carry on all that He wanted to do. Spiritually, in the New Testament, it is the same thing.

I gave you two key verses, and I have also used this for myself as a pastor. When I say