

Title: Our Eternal Lord

Theme: Ezekiel was a priest who spoke God's Word to God's people who were exiles in Babylon, and he told of the Messiah as an eternal Lord Who will rule His people, bless His people and dwell with His people forever.

Text: Ezekiel 37:24-28

I. Introduction

A. Qin Shi Huang, first emperor of unified China, attempted to live and rule eternally. He tried to find the secret to immortality and ended up ingesting mercury, believing it would cause him to live and reign forever.

B. Background to Ezekiel

1. He was an exile in Babylon (Eze. 1:1)
2. He was a priest (Eze. 1:3)
3. He prophesied among the people

II. Our Eternal Lord Rules His People

A. He is the King (Eze. 37:24)

B. He is the Shepherd (Eze. 37:24)

C. He is the Prince (Eze. 37:25)

D. It will be forever (Eze. 37:25)

III. Our Eternal Lord Blesses His People

A. He will give them power over sin (Eze. 37:24)

B. He makes a covenant of peace (Eze. 37:26)

C. He will set them in their land (Eze. 37:26)

D. He will multiply them (Eze. 37:26)

E. He will set his sanctuary in their presence (Eze. 37:26-27)

F. It will be forever (Eze. 37:26)

IV. Our Eternal Lord Dwells with His People

A. They will dwell in their land (Eze. 37:25,26)

B. They will dwell at His sanctuary (Eze. 37:26-28)

C. He will be known to all the nations (Eze. 37:28)

D. It will be forever (Eze. 37:25-28)

V. Applying the Word

A. Am I eagerly anticipating the Second Advent of Christ?

1. Do I realize my citizenship is in heaven? (Php. 3:20)
2. Do I rely on the Holy Spirit for power over sin? (1Co. 15:57; Ro. 8:1-17)
3. Do I pray without ceasing? (1Th. 5:17)
4. Am I proclaiming God's excellencies? (1Pe. 2:9)