

The Cotteridge Church

Proper 22 Sunday 3rd October



5 For this same Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
all the wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

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Bible Readings

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

Collect for Proper 22

God, our judge and saviour
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is
given through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Hymn

1 At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow,
ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now.
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him
Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2 Humbled for a season to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious, when from death
he passed:

3 Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures to the central
height,
To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's
breast;
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

4 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him
subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown him as your captain in temptation's
hour:
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

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Why no change?

Mike was a Christian and his pal Joe was an atheist. Joe lost no opportunity to have a 'go' at Mike about what he saw as the irrelevance of Christianity. One day they were out for a walk when they came across a gang of 'toughies' who were fighting and swearing. Joe pointed out the scene and said, "Look Mike, it's been 2000 years since Christ came into the world and it's still filled with aggression and violence." Mike said nothing. Five minutes later, they came upon a group of dirty faced children. Now it was Mike's turn. "Look Joe, it's over 2000 years since soap was first discovered and yet the world's still filled with dirty faces." – Nothing happens till you use soap! –There is nothing automatic about Jesus or his message. It is like discovering a cure for cancer. Nothing happens until the patient takes the medicine. Jesus never fails! It's a pity we have never tried his message!