

The Unique World Leader

Are you getting exasperated with our world leaders? Events like Donald Trump being elected president of the USA and the aftermath of the BREXIT vote in the UK are causing confusion, disillusionment and anger. Political leaders seem incapable of implementing election promises. They are bogged down by arguments, public protests and deliberate opposition from groups like senate and parliament. This frustrates their plans, delays actions and often causes compromise.

Our leaders do not have ultimate power. While in some ways this may be a good thing, it does not inspire us with confidence.

Leaders are also hampered by a lack of knowledge. When making promises before taking office they do not know all the facts and so cannot make reliable predictions. They are fundamentally flawed.

Jesus is Different

After his resurrection, Jesus said: *All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18).*

The Bible teaches that, however world leaders act, God is ultimately in control (Daniel 5:21) One day He will send Jesus back to the earth to set up His kingdom, which will sort out all the world's problems once and for all. It is the only solution and it is certain!

People, however, are jaded by the repeated failure of human leaders and so are understandably sceptical. They doubt that Jesus will succeed with this fantastic challenge and ask: "What will he do? How will he do it?"

Jesus will be like no other world leader. He is totally free from corruption or self-interest. But also, uniquely, he is God's Son and representative. Even before his death he knew what people were thinking (e.g. Matthew 12:25). Now he is immortal like God, and knows everything (Psalm 139).

Complete Power

When he rules, Jesus will have unlimited power. We find this prophesied in the Old Testament and explained in the New.

Then to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom the one which shall not be destroyed (Daniel 7:14).

[God] worked in Christ when He raised him from the dead and seated him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come (Ephesians 1:20-21).

No one will be able to delay, compromise or cancel Jesus' policies. He will rule with total authority and power. Moreover, no one will have reason to complain that anything he does is unjust or unfair.

Jesus Christ is the leader we need. We must all ask ourselves, "Are we ready for him?"

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