

“Rumors from the East (7): Kings of the East”

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- Daniel 5; Isaiah 45:1-4, 44:27, 28; Jeremiah 50:35-38, 51:36, 37
 - ◆ When the divinely appointed king of the east shows up, there is _____ that can keep him out!
 - ◆ The critical historical clue that unlocks “Rumor _____.”

- Revelation 16:12
 - ◆ Who is this king of the east in the Apocalypse?
 - Clue #1—The name Cyrus means “_____.”
 - Clue #2—The Greek for “east” is a two-word phrase that means “_____” or “_____.”
 - Clue #3—In Isaiah 45:1 God calls Cyrus His “anointed” or in the Hebrew, *mashiach*, which is used only there and in Daniel 9:25, 26 where it refers to the coming, “_____.”
 - Who do you suppose this apocalyptic King is that comes riding to earth from the east and is called the Sun of righteousness (Malachi 4:2), the Sunrise (Luke 1:78) and the Messiah (John 1:41)?
 - Revelation 19:11-16 confirms that it is none other than King _____.
 - ◆ The “_____” is King Jesus’ favorite direction!
 - Numbers 2:3—the tribe of Judah was to camp “on the _____ side toward the rising of the sun”—and Jesus is called the “Lion of the tribe of _____” (Revelation 5:5).
 - Matthew 24:27—Jesus describes His second coming as “lightning that shines from the _____ and flashes to the west.”
 - II Peter 1:19/Revelation 22:16—Jesus is called the “Morning Star” which rises after the long, dark night in the _____.
 - *Great Controversy* 640: “Soon there appears in the _____ a small black cloud, about half the size of a man’s hand. . . . The people of God know this to be the sign of the Son of Man. In solemn silence they gaze upon it as it draws nearer the earth, becoming lighter and more glorious, until it is a great white cloud, its base a glory like consuming fire, and above it a rainbow. Jesus rides forth as a mighty conqueror.”
 - Rumor #3—He’s _____ !
 - ◆ But who are the “kings” of the east?

- Revelation 1:5, 6—“To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us _____ and priests to His God and Father . . .”
 - Revelation 17:14—“For He is the Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are _____ him [in the final showdown] are called, chosen, and faithful.”
 - Revelation 20:4—“And I saw _____ , and they [those whom Jesus takes to heaven] sat on them.”
 - When John describes the “kings” of the east, he draws a circle so wide that it draws in every man, woman and child who _____ Jesus!
 - John uses the _____ to teach that because of their allegiance to the King of the East, his victory is declared to be their victory, too.
- In Bible prophecy “east” is a four letter word that is spelled _____ .

We have this hope!

nothing, #3, sun, rising, sun, sunrise, Messiah, Jesus, east, east, Judah, east, east, east, coming, kings, with, thrones, follows, plural, H-O-P-E