

1998 Summer Lecture Series (Carson City)
An Introduction to the Reformed Faith (#6)
Solus Christus: The Supremacy of Christ
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There are numerous avenues we could go down under the glorious slogan, Solus Christus. We could talk of the centrality of Christ in the purpose and plan of God and how all of Scripture points to Him; we could talk about how the incarnation properly fit Christ for the work of mediator, being the God-man; we could talk about His sole mediatorial role and how Rome blasphemes Christ with numerous mediators, from Popes, to priest, to saints to Mary; we could talk about how Christ alone is the Head of the church and why the reformers viewed the Pope as the Antichrist.

But tonight, we are going to focus on the threefold mediatorial office of Christ as prophet, priest and king.

- I. Background to Messianic Office
 - A. Three offices in the OT which required special anointing
 - 1. The word messiah (Greek "Christ") means anointed
 - 2. The prophets were anointed to their office
 - 3. The priest were anointed to their office
 - 4. The kings were anointed to their office
 - B. Each of these three offices were mediatorial
 - 1. The prophet: from God to the people
 - 2. The priest: from the people to God
 - 3. The king: from God over the people
 - C. Each of the three offices were typical (types pointing to Christ)
 - 1. Prophet: Deut. 18:15-19; Isa. 61:1-2*
 - 2. Priest: Psa. 110:4; Zech. 3; 6:12-14
 - 3. King: Psa. 110:1-2; Psa 2; 2 Sam. 7:8-16
 - * Lk. 24:44-45
- II. Christ our Prophet
 - A. Heb. 1:1-2
 - B. Jn. 1:14-18
- III. Christ as our Priest
 - A. Intercession (Heb. 7:25)
 - B. Sacrifice (Heb. 7:26-27)

IV. Christ as our King

- A. Matt. 28:19-20
- B. 1 Cor. 15:20-25

V. Implications of Solus Christus

- A. We must affirm the sole mediation of Jesus Christ (1 Tim. 2:5)
- B. We must affirm the sole sufficiency of Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 1:30)
-psychology, second works of grace,
- C. We must affirm the fullness of Christ in His offices
-in our gospel presentation, refute all which would divide His offices
- D. We must recognize our ignorance and rely on Him as our prophet
(Mt. 11:28-29; Jn. 10:27)
- E. We must recognize our sinfulness and waywardness and go to Him
as our priest (1 Jn. 2:2; Rom. 8:34)
Arise My Soul Arise
- F. We must recognize our weakness, helplessness rely on Him to
protect us and provide for us.
- G. We must cherish the presence of Christ in His church and His
exercise of these offices among us.