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“My desire and hope is that Spiritual Gold will reach our world with the positive message that God is alive and has the answers for the problems facing us today. In his messages on the Spiritual Gold web site, my husband, Richard, takes the Scriptures and breaks them down so that we can understand and receive practical advice as we live one day at a time.” —Mary Strauss



The King is Coming December Sermon of the Month

Joy to the world! The Lord is come. Let earth receive her King!

In the sermon of the month for December, Dr. Strauss creates the fictional character Elimelech, whose name means “God is King.” Wanting to learn more about the meaning of his name, Elimelech searches the Scriptures.

“Now, I’ve traced the pilgrimage of this fictitious Jew in Jesus’ day,” Doc says, “because in all probability there were people just like him who went through that process. And because it dramatizes the pilgrimage that every one of us needs to take.”

We journey with Elimelech as he reviews nine Old Testament passages from Genesis 49 to Zechariah 14, seeing that God clearly promised His King was coming. Elimelech takes us through seven New Testament passages as he sees Jesus claim to be the King the Jews have hoped for, watches as the religious leaders of his day reject the Mashiach (Hebrew for Messiah), and hears the preaching of Peter who proclaims

that King Jesus triumphed over death and will return to rule all nations.

Dr. Strauss challenges us to not call Christ our King in name only, but to live our lives under His sovereign authority. Some professing Christians “live their lives bowing to other sovereigns—like money, and material possessions, and future security, and comfort, and lust and enslaving habits. ...What do we call it today when a person swears his allegiance to a king and then does something in his daily practice that absolutely repudiates the allegiance he swore to his king? He’s a traitor!”

How can we live as our King would have us live? “Lord, of the years that are left to me, I give them to Thy hand; Take me and break me, mold me to The pattern Thou hast planned.”

More Messages Online

The King is Coming is message MS-119. You can find this and 1500 other messages at <http://spiritualgold.org/pdf/sermoncatalog.pdf> Dr. Strauss’ messages from 1974 to 1993 cover 52 topics—from Aging Gracefully to the Life of David to the Will of God—and 23 books of the Bible. Messages are available online in .MP3 and .WMA formats.

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Dear Spiritual Gold,

I listened to Dr. Strauss's July message. I really enjoyed what he has to say. It is a lot to digest in one sitting. I'll have to listen to it a couple of times. Thank you for making this available for people like me who want to learn more about being disciples of Christ Jesus.

—Charles, Egg Harbor Township, NJ

Thank you again for your faithfulness in creating this ministry. It reaches hearts and souls close to your home and in the most remote areas beyond.

—John, Pilot Station, AK

I cannot tell you how much these sermons have meant to our small home Church. We are going to put together a binder that holds the CDs and the notes for each family to keep. We are nearing the end of the series now and looking forward to the next that we choose from Dr. Strauss's sermons. Spiritual Gold's web site has been so wonderful for us. ...We are continuing to grow and now consider Dr. Strauss our pastor. God's word never grows old and we are learning so much from his sermons.

—Glenda, Ridgway, CO
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- The Faculty Development Fund of the Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology (SIM International)
- Jordan Evangelical Theological Seminary (Amman, Jordan), where graduates serve in 14 Arab countries

Dear Spiritual Gold,

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The church of Mauritius is facing tremendous invasion of occult doctrines, positive confession movement, the emerging thing, pop psychology concepts, New Age, Signs and Wonders heresies, faith movement etc. Our church studies a lot these movements and trends and offer regular teachings against these- we warn constantly local believers of end time delusion. Please pray for our nation.

I wanted in fact to inform you of the great blessings we are having with your tremendous [messages]. These are the best teaching materials we ever had access to. They are sound, faithful to the scriptures and so much in-depth. We are indebted to you for these precious teaching resources and I trust our people will continue to be impacted by these teachings and develop a passion for the Word of God and by the Lord's mercy a return to biblical Christianity and not experiences and delusion.

—Jean-Francois, Mauritius Islands

North to Alaska

John Stahl's first experience in church was at Emmanuel Faith in 1976. “I would sit in the first few pews and listen to Dr. Strauss present the gospel with a gift that made the message as relevant to me as a 16-year-old student as it does to myself as a 50-year-old man today.”

Since then, the years of miles have brought him to a particularly remote part of Alaska: Pilot Station, a small Yupik village off the road system, 75 miles up the Yukon River from the ocean. Pilot Station has no Protestant churches, so John (now a school counselor), his wife Priscila, and a few of the teachers in the village gather for “church” on Sundays. Dr. Strauss' messages are often a part of those gatherings.



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Priscila points to their location
in Pilot Station, Alaska

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