

The Two Ministries of Christ

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Earthly Ministry <i>(Four Gospels and Early Acts)</i>	Heavenly Ministry <i>(Paul's Epistles and Mid-Acts)</i>
King of Israel—John 1:49	Head of the Body—Col. 1:18
Declaration: The Law and the Prophets (coming wrath) —Matt. 5:17,18	Declaration: Grace and Peace —Phil. 1:2
Gave Himself a ransom for the sins of His people —Matt. 20:28; Luke 1:68,77	Gave Himself a ransom for the sins of the world —I Tim. 2:5,6
Seated at the right hand of the Father until His enemies are made His footstool —Acts 2:34-36	Seated at the right hand of the Father in a position of exaltation over all things to the Church —Eph. 1:20-23
Called 12 Apostles on the earth—Matt. 4:18-22; 10:1-5	Called one Apostle (Paul) from heaven—Acts 9:1-4; 26:13,19
Christ commands the 12 Apostles to confine their ministry to Israel —Matt. 10:5,6	Christ appoints Paul the Apostle of the Gentiles —Rom. 11:13
Instructs the 12 to carry out the Great Commission —Mark 16:14-18	Instructs us to carry out the Commission of Reconciliation —II Cor. 5:18,19
Gospel of the Kingdom proclaimed—Mark 1:14,15	Gospel of the grace of God proclaimed—Acts 20:24
Terms of salvation: Repent, believe on His name, submit to water baptism—Mark 1:15; 16:16; John 3:16; 20:31	Terms of salvation: Believe Christ died for your sins, was buried, and rose again —Acts 16:31; I Cor. 15:1-4
Earthly hope and calling —Matt. 5:5	Heavenly hope and calling: —Col. 1:5
Christ's visible return to the earth —Matt. 24:29,30; Acts 1:10-12	Christ's invisible return in heaven —I Thes. 4:13-18
Eternal reign from the New Jerusalem on the New Earth —Rev. 21	Eternal reign with Christ from the New Heavens —Eph. 1:10; 2:6,7