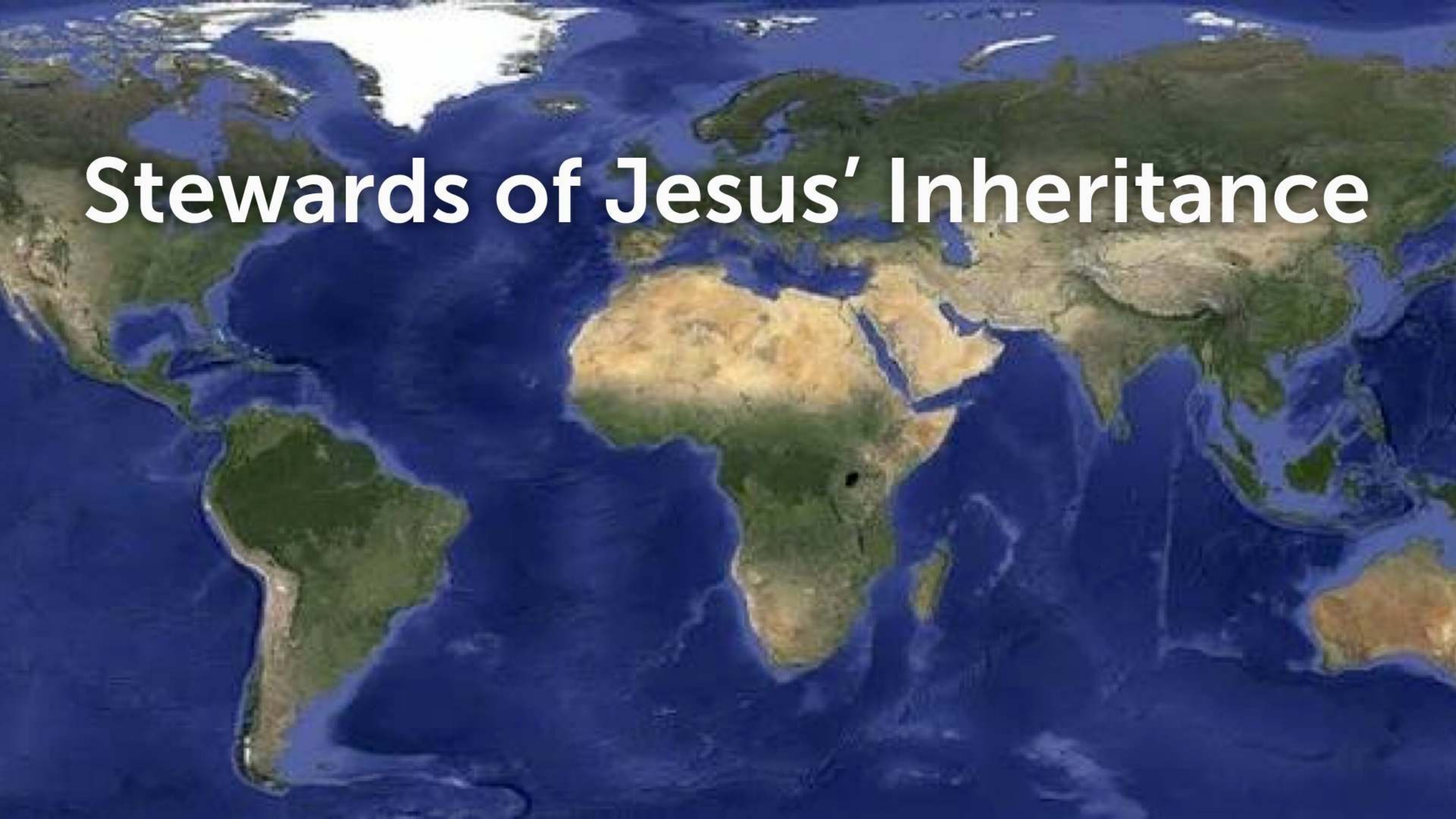


Stewards of Jesus' Inheritance

A satellite-style map of the world, showing the continents of North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Asia, and Australia. The oceans are a deep blue, and the landmasses are shown in various shades of green and brown, representing vegetation and terrain. The title 'Stewards of Jesus' Inheritance' is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif font across the upper portion of the map.

1 Why are the nations in an uproar And the peoples devising a vain thing?

Psalm 2

**2 The kings of the earth take their
stand And the rulers take counsel
together Against the Lord and
against His Anointed, saying,**

Psalm 2

**3 "Let us tear their fetters apart
And cast away their cords from
us!"**

Psalm 2

**4 He who sits in the heavens
laughs, The Lord scoffs at them.**

Psalm 2

**5 Then He will speak to them in
His anger And terrify them in His
fury, saying,**

Psalm 2

**6 "But as for Me, I have installed
My King Upon Zion, My holy
mountain."**

Psalm 2

7 "I will surely tell of the decree of the Lord: He said to Me, '*You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.*'

Psalm 2

**8 'Ask of Me, and I will surely give
the nations as Your inheritance,
And the very ends of the earth as
Your possession.**

Psalm 2

**9 'You shall break them with a rod
of iron, You shall shatter them like
earthenware.' "**

Psalm 2

10 Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; Take warning, O judges of the earth.

Psalm 2

**11 Worship the Lord with
reverence And rejoice with
trembling.**

Psalm 2

12 Do homage to the Son, that He
not become angry, and you perish
in the way, For His wrath may
soon be kindled. How blessed are
all who take refuge in Him!

Psalm 2

Every nation will be
judged based on how
fully they embrace
the Lord's Anointed
as their sovereign.

There is no particular
"Christian nation,"
because **all** the nations
are already His.

ALL nations began as
hostile to Christ;
some have come under
His rule more than
others.

"It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits,

and humbly to implore
his protection and favors."

(Washington's Thanksgiving
Proclamation, 1789)

"God who gave us life
gave us liberty. And can
the liberties of a nation be
thought secure when we
have removed their only
firm basis,

a conviction in the minds
of the people that these
liberties are of the Gift
of God?" (Jefferson)

"I have lived, Sir, a long
time and the longer I live,
the more convincing
proofs I see of this truth
— that God governs in
the affairs of men.

And if a sparrow cannot
fall to the ground without
His notice, is it probable
that an empire can rise
without His aid? (Franklin)

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men...

The novelty of the "Holy Experiment" of the USA is that it honors every individual as sovereign in his/her own self — having been made in God's image.

We were not created to
rule over one another, or
to be ruled by anyone but
God Himself.

26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and ***let them rule*** over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and ***over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.***"

Genesis 1:26

We only have "kings"
because we ask for them,
but God has always
intended us to need no
"middle management."

5 and they said to him, "Behold, you have grown old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now ***appoint a king for us to judge us like all the nations.***"

1 Samuel 8:5–7

6 But the thing was displeasing in the sight of Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." And Samuel prayed to the Lord.

1 Samuel 8:5–7

7 The Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in regard to all that they say to you, for *they have not rejected you, but **they have rejected Me from being king over them.***

1 Samuel 8:5–7

Either God will be our
sovereign, or we will always
seek men to rule over us.

The US has been a 250
year long experiment to see
if a free people can thrive
without the external
controls of worldly
government.

"Because we have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion...

Avarice, ambition, revenge,
or gallantry would break
the strongest cords of our
Constitution as a whale
goes through a net...

Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

9 ...realizing the fact that *law is not made for a righteous person, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane...*

1 Timothy 1:9

"Religion in America takes no direct part in the government of society, but it must nevertheless be regarded as the foremost of the political institutions of that country

for if it does not impart a
taste for freedom, it
facilitates the use of free
institutions."

"While the law permits the Americans to do what they please, religion prevents them from conceiving, and forbids them to commit, what is rash or unjust."

17 Now the Lord is the Spirit,
and *where the Spirit of the Lord
is, there is liberty.*

2 Corinthians 3:17

**4 "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the
God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I
have sent into exile from Jerusalem to
Babylon,**

Jeremiah 29:4–13

5 'Build houses and live *in them*; and
plant gardens and eat their produce.

Jeremiah 29:4–13

6 'Take wives and become the fathers of sons and daughters, and take wives for your sons and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; and multiply there and do not decrease.

Jeremiah 29:4–13

7 'Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf; for in its [shalom] you will have [shalom].' ..

Jeremiah 29:4–13

11 'For *I know the plans that I have for you,*' declares the Lord, '*plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.*

Jeremiah 29:4–13

**12 'Then you will call upon Me and
come and pray to Me, and I will listen
to you.**

Jeremiah 29:4–13

**13 'You will seek Me and find Me
when you search for Me with all your
heart.**

Jeremiah 29:4–13

Every nation where there
are God's people present
should prosper, and its
people live in peace.

Our Hope can never rest
on the temporary
institutions of government,
which can never restrain
evil enough to provide
lasting peace.

Our Hope rests in the
successful completion of
our Great and Glorious
Commission