

King of kings and Lord of lords

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Introduction

Premise: In the verses I have selected for this article (Deu 10:17, Psa 136:2-3, 1Ti 6:15; Rev 1:5, 17:14 19:16) I ask the question...could the words “**of kings**” be translated as “**of sovereigns**”?

I think there are two categories to consider

In the first case could it be about a king that is the type described in 1st Samuel Chapter 8, where there were Kings like the nations, who in fact could very well be Edomites. The second “king” would be better described as sovereigns which are those who are Israel and who are an Ambassador to YHVH and as a result they operate in two law forms. We should view Israel as not being of this world (the earthly realm, because as their ultimate authority is **of** the spiritual / heavenly realm) but are **in** this world (the earthly realm).

Time is another category of contexts to be considered i.e. what period of time are these verses speaking. Are we talking about the time period after the salvific work of Messiah, the time period in the Millennial Kingdom or the time period going forward off into eternity?

ToDo: Maybe expand on this. Also I don’t even talk about Lord of lords

1Ti 6:15 ^{KJV}

Which in his times he shall shew, *who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

1Ti 6:15 ^{TRi}

... only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

μόνος	Only	G3441	A-NSM
δυναστης	Ruler,	G1413	N-NSM
ὁ	The	G3588	T-NSM
βασιλεὺς	King	G935	N-NSM
τῶν	Of Those	G3588	T-GPM
βασιλευόντων	Being Kings	G936 ^A	V-PAP-GPM
καὶ	And	G2532	CONJ
κύριος	Lord	G2962	N-NSM
τῶν	Of Those	G3588	T-GPM
κυριευόντων	Being Lords;	G2961	V-PAP-GPM

ToDo: Add a transliteration column

Verses of Consideration ^B

Deu 10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:

Psa 136:2 O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for ever. ³ O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

1Ti 6:15 Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Rev 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Rev 19:11-16 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. ¹² His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. ¹³ And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. ¹⁴ And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵ And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he

^A See Word-Study-G936-basileuo-reign, Article #[1325](#).

^B I used my handy dandy multi verse lookup on my wbsite.

treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. ¹⁶ And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

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Deuteronomy 10:17

"For the LORD your God is the God of gods and the Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God who does not show partiality nor take a bribe.

1 Timothy 6:15

which He will bring about at the proper time--He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

Revelation 1:5

and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood--

Revelation 17:14

"These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful."

Revelation 19:16

And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

Revelation 19:11-16

And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. [*read more.*](#)

Psalms 136:3

Give thanks to the Lord of lords, For His lovingkindness is everlasting.