

OPERATION FOOTSTOOL

We will begin by studying our lesson text.

- **Sovereign** - “The Lord (Yahweh) says (neum/ nm) [prophetic declaration by David] to my Lord (adonay):
- **Session** - “**sit** (yashab/ qal impv.ms/ command) at My right hand
- **Second Coming** - “**until** I make (shith/ qal impf 1cs) Your enemies (ayab/qal ptc mpl) a **footstool** (hadom) for Your **feet** (regel).” (Ps.110:1)

An example of “making your enemies a footstool for your feet” is found in **Joshua 10:23-25**. Israel had just conquered the Amorite coalition of five kings. Joshua had the commanders of Israel conquering army come and put their feet on the necks of these five kings. Then Joshua gave this speech to the troops:

(Joshua 10:25) “**Do not** fear or be dismayed! **Be** strong and courageous, **for** thus the Lord will do to all your enemies with whom you fight.”

<p>This lesson will study <u>four aspects</u> of Operation Footstool.</p>
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1. Conquering the enemy of the Angelic Conflict (AC) requires both the first and second coming of Christ as discussed in (Ps.110:1-7).

(Ps.110:1) is one of the most quoted messianic doctrines that distinguish a First and Second Advent of Christ.

We will list five passages of NT dealing with Ps.110:1.

(Matt.22:41-46) (synoptic)

Who was Christ before His glorification and session

(Acts 2:29-36)

His resurrection, ascension, and session UNTIL Operation Footstool -

(1 Cor.15:20-28)

Connected to order of resurrection (23-25) and (26-28) – subjection authority -

(Heb.1:10-14/ 1:5, 6, 13) [“Did He ever say”]

Part of eternal plan of God put into force “before the foundation of the world” (Eph.1:4-5)

(Heb.10:9-14)

Taking away first covenant to establish the second covenant – “Waiting from that time onward until His enemies be made a footstool for His feet.”

2. While Jesus Christ sits at the right hand of God in heaven, operation footstool is a doctrinal principle of prophecy for church age in (Ps.110:1).

(Heb.10:9-12) “Behold, I have come to do your will.”

(Heb.10:12-13) “But He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, sat down at the right hand of God. Waiting from that time onward until His enemies be made a footstool for His feet.”

But when Jesus Christ **leaves** the right hand of God, prophecy of operation footstool will be fulfilled.

(Acts 2:35-36) “The Lord said to MY Lord, sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet. **Therefore, let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ – this Jesus whom you crucified.”**

3. The scriptural background to Operation Footstool was first given in (Gen.3:15).

This angelic feud began in eternity past with the Fall of Satan (Isa.14:12-15; Ezek.28:11-19; Rev.12).

Lord to serpent: “And I will put (shith/ qal impf) enmity **between** you and the woman, and **between** your seed and her seed; He shall bruise (shuph/ qal impf) you on the head, and you shall bruise (same) you on the heel.” (Gen.3:15)

This indicates a **personal feud** between satan and Woman and **hereditary feud** between their seeds in Angelic Conflict (AC).

Theologians refer to Gen.3:15 as protoevangelism (first gospel). Paul saw the fulfillment in eschatology of Jesus Christ - “The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.” (Rom.16:20)

Start (Gen.3:15) to Finish: “And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented forever and ever.’ (Rev.20:10)

4. There are three phases to operation footstool.

- Phase one involves death, burial-resurrection, ascension-session of Jesus Christ.
 - It involved disarming evil forces of satan during the church age (Col.2:14-15; Eph.1:20-23; 1 John 4:4).
- Phase two involves battle of Armageddon and baptism of fire.
 - It involves satan and all fallen angels being removed from the earth for the 1000 years of Millennium (Rev.9:1-12; 20:1-3; 1:18; 2 Pet.2:4; Zech.13:2).
- Phase three involves satan and fallen angels.
 - All thrown into the lake of fire forever and ever (Matt.25:41; Rev.1:18; 20:7-10, 14-15).