

Psalm 002 - Royal Psalm: Coronation of the King-Son and God's Anointed

Christ in the Psalms

Jesus said that the psalms spoke about Him (Luke 24:44)

Ps 2 - The Coming King (Cf. Acts 4:25-26; 13:33)

Ps 22 - The Crucified Savior

Ps 23 - The Shepherd (Cf. John 10)

Ps 40:6-8 - The Sacrifice (Cf. Heb 10:1-10)

Ps 110 - The High Priest (Cf. Heb 7:17-21)

Ps 118:22-23 - The Stone (Cf. Matt 21:42)

The Messianic Psalms

The Book of Psalms is quoted in the NT more than any other book in OT (even more than Isaiah). Christ's birth, betrayal, agony, death, resurrection, ascension, coming again in glory, and His worldwide reign—all are pictured in inspired vividness. They constitute irrefutable testimony to the Divine inspiration of the Scriptures. (Messianic details in Psalm 2,8,16,22-24,40-41,45,68-69,87,89,102,110,118, et al.).

- His Person

— Son of God (2:7; 45:6-7; 102:25,27)

— Son of Man (8:4-6; etc.)

— Son of David (139:3-4,27,29)

- His Offices

— Prophet (22:22,25; 40:9-10)

— Priest (110:4)

— King (2; 24; 72, etc.).

- To speak in parables (78:2)

- Will calm the storm (89:10)

- To be despised (2:6; 69:19-22)

- To be rejected (118:22)

- To be mocked (22:7-8; 89:51-52)

- To be whipped (129:3)

- To be derided (69:8,20)

- Impaled on a cross (22:ff)

— Thirsty (22:16)

- Given wine mixed with gall (69:20-22)
- Lots cast for his garments (22:18-19)
- Not a bone to be broken (34:21)
- To rise from the dead (16:10)
- To Ascend to heaven (68:19)
- At the right hand of God (110:1; 80:17)
- Is the High Priest (110:4)
- Will judge the nations (89:3-5)
- Reign to be eternal (89:35-37)
- Is the Son of God (2:7)
- Is the Son of David (110:1) (Matt 22:42-45)
- People to sing Hosanna to him (118:25-26)
- Blessed forever (45:1-4,8,18)
- Will come in glory in last days (102:16-23)

Quotes of Psalm 2 in the NT (7x)

- Matt 3:17 [=Mark 1:11; Luke 3:22]
- Matt 17:5 [=Mark 9:7; Luke 9:35]
- Acts 4:24-26; 13:33
- Heb 1:5; 5:5
- Rev 2:27

The Cosmic War

- The Voice of the Nations (2:1-3)
- The Voice of the Father (2:4-6)
- The Voice of the Son (2:7-9)
- The Voice of the Spirit (2:10-12)

Psalm 2

The Voice of the Nations (v1-3)

- 1 Why are the nations restless And the peoples plotting in vain?
- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar And the peoples devising a vain thing?
- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar, and their people involved in a vain plot?
- 1 Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

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

2 As the kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers conspire together against the LORD and his anointed one, they say,
2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his **anointed**, saying,
- "...anointed" - here it means "Messiah" (Hebrew;) in the Greek, *Christos*; in English, "Christ"

3 "Let's tear their shackles apart And throw their ropes away from us!"
3 "Let us tear their fetters apart And cast away their cords from us!"
3 "Let us tear off their shackles from us, and cast off their chains."
3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

The Voice of the Father (v4-6)

4 He who sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them.
4 He who sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them.
4 He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord scoffs at them.
4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then He will speak to them in His anger And terrify them in His fury, saying,
5 Then He will speak to them in His anger And terrify them in His fury, saying,
5 In his anger he rebukes them, and in his wrath he terrifies them:
5 Then shall He speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure

6 "But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain."
6 "But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain."
6 "I have set my king on Zion, my holy mountain."
6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.
- The Father is speaking. His king WILL be set upon the hill of Zion! Another refutation of amillennialism.
- It is in God's program to establish His Son as the King in Jerusalem
— Although the throne of the Messiah will be established in Jerusalem, His dominion will not stop at the border of Israel, but will extend throughout the entire earth with every Gentile nation falling under His domain.

The Voice of the Son (v7-9)

7 "I will announce the decree of the LORD: He said to Me, 'You are My Son, **Today** I have fathered You.

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

7 Let me announce the decree of the LORD that he told me: "You are my son, today I have become your father.

7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, "Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

- The son speaking, quoting the Father...

- "...Today" - the Day of the King's enthronement or official inauguration as King in the Messianic Kingdom

Resurrection

This verse was quoted by the apostle Paul when he preached in Antioch of Pisidia. This was one of his greatest sermons; and he was talking about the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Acts 13:33: God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

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

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

8 Ask of me, and I will give you the nations as your inheritance, the ends of the earth as your possession.

8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

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

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

9 You will break them with an iron rod, you will shatter them like pottery."

9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

"The Rod of Iron"

Rev 2:27: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

Rev 12:5: And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Rev 19:15-16:

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 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.

The Voice of the Spirit (v10-12)

10 Now then, you kings, use insight; Let yourselves be instructed, you judges of the earth.

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

10 Therefore, kings, act wisely! Earthly rulers, be warned!

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD with reverence And rejoice with trembling.

11 Worship the LORD with reverence And rejoice with trembling.

11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

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12 Kiss the Son, that He not be angry and you perish on the way, For His wrath may be kindled quickly. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

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!

12 Kiss the son before he becomes angry, and you die where you stand. Indeed, his wrath can flare up quickly. How blessed are those who take refuge in him.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.