

My King



Psalm 2

- 1 Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain?
- 2 The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.
- 3 "Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters."
- 4 The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them.
- 5 Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,
- 6 "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."
- 7 I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father.
- 8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.
- 9 You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery."
- 10 Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling.
- 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Four New Testament scriptures provide important insight on Psalm 2.

Acts 4:25 (Peter) – "You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our Father David: 'Why do the nations rage and the people plot in vain?'"
Acts 13:33 (Paul) – "As it is written in the second Psalm: 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father.'"
Hebrews 5:5 (and 1:5) – "God said to Christ, 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father.'"

- 1) **The ARITHMETIC of PSALM 2** — Psalm 2 is the only psalm quoted with its numerical reference in the New Testament, pointing to its ancient page number.
- 2) **The AUTHORITY of PSALM 2** — Peter declared that the words of Psalm 2 were spoken by the Holy Spirit, indicating its divine inspiration and authority.
- 3) **The AUTHORSHIP of PSALM 2** — Though Psalm 2 is not titled with a note as to its authorship, Peter ascribed the authorship of Psalm 2 to David.
- 4) **The APPLICATION of PSALM 2** — All four New Testament references apply Psalm 2, prophetically, to the Lord Jesus Christ, God's appointed and anointed King.

1. Installation *God has installed his Son Jesus as King – over all peoples and places – for ever and ever.*

▲ The Father appointed and anointed Jesus to reign

- 6 "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."
- 7 I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father."

▲ The Father authorized Jesus to remain and retain his rule

- 8 "Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession."
- 9 "You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery."

2. Insurrection *This wicked world, in its hard-heartedness, has rebelled and rejected the Kingship of Jesus.*

▲ Rulers rebel against Jesus

- 2 The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.
- 3 "Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters."

▲ Regulars rebel against Jesus

- 1 Why do the nations conspire and the people plot in vain?

3. Indignation *God is angered by the rejection of his Son's Kingship.*

▲ God is indignant at the rebellious

- 4 The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the LORD scoffs at them.
- 5 Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,

▲ God is insistent amidst their rebellion

- 6 "I have installed my King"

4. Invitation *God invites all who are willing to come and live as loyal subjects of the beautiful Kingdom of Jesus.*

▲ God warns the rebellious

- 10 Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling.
- 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment.

▲ God welcomes the refugees

- 12 Blessed are all who take refuge in him.