Psalm 2

Psalm of the Rejected but Reigning King

I. Nations Rebel against God & His Son, Psalm 2:1-3

Why are the nations in an uproar and the peoples devising a vain thing? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers take counsel together against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, "Let us tear their fetters apart and cast away their cords from us!"

The Nations Were Against Jesus at His 1st Advent

Acts 4:23-26, And being let go, they (Peter and John) went to their own companions and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. So when they heard that, they raised their voice to God with one accord and said: "LORD, You are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea, and all that is in them, who by the mouth of Your servant David have said: Why did the nations rage, And the people plot vain things? The kings of the earth took their stand, And the rulers were gathered together Against the LORD and against His Christ.'

The Nations Will Be Against Jesus at His 2nd Advent

And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

Revelation 19:19

II. Nations Are Rebuked by God, Psalm 2:4-6

He who sits in the heavens laughs, the LORD scoffs at them. Then He will speak to them in His anger and terrify them in His fury, saying, "But as for Me, I have installed My King upon Zion, My holy mountain." (NKJV)

God has the last laugh!

The wicked plots against the righteous

And gnashes at him with his teeth.

The LORD laughs at him,

For He sees his day is coming.

Psalm 37:12-13

Nations face a day of reckoning!

The wicked have drawn the sword and have bent their bow

To cast down the poor and needy,

To slay those who are of upright conduct.

Their sword shall enter their own heart,

And their bows shall be broken.

Psalm 37:14-15

Nations face a day of reckoning!

And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying: "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, The One who is and who was and who is to come, Because You have taken Your great power and reigned. The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come, And the time of the dead, that they should be judged, And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, And those who fear Your name, small and great, <u>And should destroy those</u> who destroy the earth." Revelation 11:16-18

III. Nations will be Ruled by the Son, Psalm 2:7-9

"I will surely tell of the decree of the LORD: He said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You. 'Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance, and the very ends of the earth as Your possession. 'You shall break them with a rod of iron, You shall shatter them like earthenware." (NKJV)

Jesus is God's Son, the Messiah!

Hebrews 1:5

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?

Jesus is both King and Priest, He is Savior **for** all and Sovereign **over** all

Jesus triumphed over death!

And we declare to you glad tidings—that promise which was made to the fathers. God has fulfilled this for us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus. As it is also written in the second Psalm:

'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.'
Acts 13:32-33



Jesus will one day rule the nations!

But to which of the angels has He ever said:

"Sit at My right hand,

Till I make Your enemies Your footstool"?

Hebrews 1:13



Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS

Revelation 19:15-16

Nations plot now but plead then!

And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

Revelation 6:15-17

IV. Nations, "Submit to God's Son," Psalm 2:10-12

Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; Take warning, O judges of the earth. Worship the LORD with reverence and rejoice with trembling. 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!



God's Warning & Appeal to the Nations

- 1. Be wise, be warned (instructed)!
- 2. Serve the Lord with fear and respect
- 3. Rejoice in who Messiah is and what He will do
- 4. Do homage to the Son before it is too late and the Son's anger flares out against them
- 5. Blessed are all who take refuge in the Son.

Today the Lamb invites all to come!

"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star." And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

Revelation 22:16-17

