

“Jesus Christ in the OT” Pt. 5
Luke 24:25-27, 44-46; Ps. 2:1-12
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We move from Moses and the first five books of the Bible to the **Messianic Psalms**. These Psalms deal with the Davidic Covenant, incarnation, rejection, betrayal, death resurrection, Messiah’s marriage and reign of the glorious king.

Psalm 2 represents the Messiah already enthroned in Zion on the right hand of the Father.

TT- This Psalm and speaks of mankind’s rebellion to God.

1. The Rebellion of the Nations (Ps. 2:1-3). (earth)

vs. 1-2: A Voice of Rebellion-

The word “rage” [v. 1] means “to assemble tumultuously.” It is the Gentiles that are in view and they are rebelling against God and His rule.

v. 2: Mankind devises, conspires, and schemes, but it gets him nowhere. The nations are led in rebellion by their kings, and all are resisting God and Christ. Of course, this voice has been heard down through the centuries, but it is being heard in a greater way in these last days.

v. 3: What do they want?

Freedom from God’s rule! “Let us break their bands asunder!” According to Gen. 10:5, God divided the Gentile peoples into their lands and nations and they want a one world government and no national sovereignty.

The nations do not want to submit to God’s rule. They want their own way, and they refuse to admit that God rules in the affairs of men.

But in the last days, it will have its complete fulfillment as the “kings of the earth” [v. 2] unite to fight against God at Armageddon.

1. The Rebellion of the Nations (Ps. 2:1-3).

2. The Reaction of the Lord (Ps. 2:4-6.) (Heaven)

1. Derision (Ps. 2:4).

How does God respond to the threats of men? He laughs! God is greater than man and need not fear the proud attacks of puny kings.

God does not speak today in full judgment; He speaks in grace from the cross. But the day is coming when God will have “the last laugh.” God laughs and man is in derision.

2. Displeasure (Ps. 2:5).

Today God is not speaking in full wrath; He is speaking through His Son in grace [**Heb. 1:1-2**]. One day, however, He will send His wrath upon the nations of the world.

The word “displeasure” here means “fiery anger.” This is the tribulation, described in detail in **Rev. 6-19**.

During the tribulation period, the nation of Israel will be “purged” to prepare a believing remnant for the return of Christ to establish His kingdom from Jerusalem.

Multitudes will be saved during this time, but many of them will seal their decision with their own lives.

3. Declaration (Ps. 2:6).

God has set (“anointed”) His King upon His holy hill. This is Christ.

Though He is not yet seated on His own throne of glory, or upon the throne of David, He is seated at the Father’s right hand; and His throne is as certain as the Father’s word!

One day He will return in glory and sit upon the throne to judge and rule the nations. So whatever laws they pass or ignore, whatever they take off the money or institutions, God will set Christ on his throne in Jerusalem!

1. **The Rebellion of the Nations (Ps. 2:1-3).**
2. **The Reaction of the Lord (Ps. 2:4-6).**
3. **The Response of the Messiah (Ps. 2:7-9).** (Future)

v. 7: The Decree.

Christ speaks in these verses and tells us what the Father said to Him in His eternal decree. How good to know that God has decreed the fulfillment of His plan, and that man will not hinder God’s working.

“You are My Son, today I have begotten You.” When did the Father say this to the Son? Not when He was born into the world, but when He came out of the tomb [**Acts 13:28-33; Heb. 1:5 and Heb. 5:5**].

vs. 8-9: The Promise.

v. 8: Because of His victory over sin and death at the cross, Christ is given an inheritance of all the nations. Satan will offer these kingdoms to Antichrist, and he will rule the nations for a brief season [**Rev. 13:1-10**].

When will Christ receive “the uttermost parts of the earth” for His possession? When He returns to the earth in power and glory; and we are told that Christians will reign with Him.

4. The Recommendation to the Nations (Ps. 2:10-12). (earth)

The closing three verses are an appeal from the Spirit to the sons of men to submit now to Jesus Christ.

v. 10: Wisdom. “Be wise”

Our world boasts of its knowledge, and it seems that there is more knowledge than ever before, but there also seems to be less wisdom. God’s wisdom is found in God’s Word, yet the kings and rulers do not want the Word of God.

v. 11: Service. “Serve the Lord”

Instead of rebelling and resisting, people should bow down to Christ and serve Him. Joy is what will result from yielding to Christ.

v. 12: Submission. “Kiss the Son”

“Kiss the Son” implies paying homage, allegiance, and submission. God has reconciled the world to him by the Cross of Christ (**2 Cor. 5:14-21**); Righteousness and peace kissed each other on the cross (**Ps. 85:10**).

Now God is able to save lost sinners and still uphold His holy law. It is tragic that most of the people of the world are saying, “We will not have this Man to reign over us!”

Turn to Acts 2:29-32, David foresaw the future that his house and offspring would rule. “Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. (30) Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; (31) He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell [Hades], neither his flesh did see corruption. (32) This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.”