

“BE ENCOURAGED; YOUR KING IS COMING”

(Psalm 2)

- *Introduction: Psalm 2 is in four acts; three stanzas each—the most quoted Psalm in the N.T (14x).*

I. (ACT 1) THE NARRATOR SPEAKS (2:1-3)

A. The Psalmist Asks Why? (vs.1)

1. Why do the nations _____? (- רגש *râgash*).

- "nations/heathen" - גוים *gôyim* – means:

- "rage" *râgash* – means:

2. Why do the people plot (*imagine*) a _____? (הגה *hâgâh*).

- "plot" הגה *hâgâh* means:

B. The Psalmist Observation of the nations and the people's defiance of the LORD (vv. 2-3)

1. The "*kings*" and the "*rulers*" are in reference to the _____ rulers and the _____ rulers (v.2)

2. They *stand and take counsel together* literally is to "_____ " which speaks of their unity in deliberating *against His Anointed* referring to _____ (v.2)

3. The purpose of their conclave is deep desire to "break *Their* _____ in pieces and cast away *Their* _____ from us." (v.3)

- What are the "bonds and cords"?

II. (ACT 2) THE FATHER SPEAKS IN RESPONSE (2:4-6)

A. The Lord's sharp and witty reaction to these rebellious attitudes (v.4)

1. He _____ and shall hold (have) them in deep _____ (v.4)

2. God is aroused in derision but remains _____ over their vain attempts for He is King (v.4)

B. The Lord's reply to these rebellious attitudes (v.5)

1. God speaks to them in His _____ and He is sorely displeased in deep displeasure (v.5)

- Isa. 11:4; 2 Th. 2:8; Ps. 21:9; 76:7; 110:5; Rev. 19:5

2. God's anger will be a distress (vexation) to the nations and it _____ and _____ them (׀ *bâhal*)

3. God's answer to their "king" and rulers" is to proclaim: "Yet I have _____ *My King on My holy hill Of Zion*" (V.6)

III. (ACT 3) THE SON SPEAKS IN RESPONSE (2:7-9)

A. The "decree" given to the rebel nations declared by the Messiah (v.7)

1. The _____ gives the Son the decree and appointed Jesus Christ who will _____ it in the future (v.7)
2. The word "I" refers to the _____ (v.7)
3. Jesus Christ speaks that He is the one _____ by the Father as His only *begotten* to set up His _____ and will reign over the earth as was promised in God's Davidic Covenant (Acts 13:33)

B. The authority is given to the Son to rule the earth (vv.8-9)

1. "Ask of Me", and I will give You the _____ for Your inheritance, and the ends of the _____ for Your possession." (v.8)
 - What are some of things Christ asked of the Father?
2. The nations that _____ the Son; He will _____ (rule) them with a rod of iron, and they shall be _____ to pieces like a potter's vessel (v.9)

IV. (ACT 4) THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKS IN RESPONSE (2:10-12)

A. The Psalmist strong urging to kings and judges but applicable to all (10-11)

1. The last three verses contains an _____, a _____, and an _____ (v. 10-12)
2. The Holy Spirit's ministry is to _____ the world of sin, and of _____, and of _____ which these verses do (John 16:8)

B. The Psalmist closing thoughts of encouragement (12)

1. "Kiss the _____ is in reference to Jesus Christ that the nations are to love lest He be _____, and you perish in the way (1Cor. 16:22)
2. When His wrath is kindled *but a little* can be rendered in other passages as _____ as it is written: "*The day of the wrath of the Lamb is soon coming!*" (Rev. 6:16)
3. The Psalm ends with an encouragement to _____ in Him in which many kings and rulers and people of all nations have done throughout history (v.12)

• *What can we learn from this?*