

The Psalm of Messiah the Prince*

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I. The Voice of God - Rejecting the Nations (Vss. 1-3)

A. Rejecting their tumultuous anger and vanity (Vs. 1)

Tumultuous Anger - "heathen rage"

Vanity - "people imagine a vain thing"

B. Rejecting their prideful position and unity against Him and against His anointed. (Vs. 2)

Prideful Position - "kings of the earth set themselves"

Unity against Him and His anointed - "rulers take counsel together"

C. Rejecting their rebellion (rebellion against His authority, His Word, and His leadership) (Vs. 3)

Rebellion - "Break their bands asunder" & "cast away their cords from us"

Who is "their" in "their bands"? It is the LORD and His anointed.

II. The Voice of God the Father - Magnifying Himself (Vss 4-6)

A. Magnifying His Own Position (Vs. 4)

ALL FROM A POSITION OF REST - "sitteth in the heavens"

Psalm 115:3, "But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased."

1. In ridiculing their faulty position

Ridiculing - "shall laugh"

2. In deriding their faulty power

Deride - "have them in derision"

B. Magnifying His Own Power (Vs. 5)

1. The weight of His Words seen - mingled with wrath

“Shall speak unto them in his wrath”

2. The weight of His displeasure revealed - causing them to be horrified.

“Shall have them in derision”

C. Magnifying His Own Possession (Vs. 6)

1. Establishing His Own King in His Own kingdom

His Own King - “set my king”

His Own Kingdom - “upon my holy hill of Zion”

2. Thwarting their attempts of overthrowing Him and His King, The Messiah

Thwarting Their Attempts - “Yet” which is set in opposition to all of their attempts to overthrow Him and His King, the Messiah

III. The Voice of God the Son - Declaring Authority (Vss. 7-9)

“I will declare” says God the Son, the Messiah.

A. Declaring His Received Position and Power (Vs. 7)

His Received Position - “Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.”

His Received Power - “I will declare”

B. Declaring His Gained Inheritance (Vs. 8)

His Gained Inheritance - “the heathen” & “the uttermost parts of the earth”

C. Declaring His Promise to Judge (Vs. 9)

His Promise to Judge - “thou shalt break them with a rod of iron” & “thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel”

“Rod of Iron” - weighty, severe, effectual

“Dash” -great force

“Pieces like a potter’s vessel” - proved to be fragile and brittle

“Vessel” - filled with vanity and sin

IV. The Voice of God the Holy Spirit - Reproving Men (Vss. 10-12)

A. Reproving them of judgment (and of their own foolishness) (Vs. 10)

“Be wise” & “Be instructed” is in opposition to what is said in verse two, “set themselves” & “take counsel together.”

“Reproving them of Judgment” - By telling them “be wise” and “be instructed,” that reproves them of their own false judgment.

John 16:8 & 11, “And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.”

B. Reproving them of sin (that they would fear and repent) (Vs. 11)

“Serve the Lord with fear” & “rejoice with trembling” is in opposition to what is said in verse three, “break their bands assunder” & “cast away their cords from us”

“Reproving them of sin” - By telling them to “fear.” They see the majesty, holiness, and power of THE KING, the LORD, Jehovah God and therefore must fear and repent of sins.

John 16:8 & 9, “And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...Of sin, because they believe not on me.”

C. Reproving them of righteousness (that they should not trust in their own righteousness, but the Righteousness of God the Son.) (Vs. 12)

“Kiss the Son” - Consider a king of one kingdom bowing and kissing the king’s SON of another kingdom. What humility! And, yet that is exactly what is being commanded of the world to do unto God the Son, the Messiah, the appointed King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

“Reproving them of righteousness” - By telling them to “Kiss the Son” and “trust in him” that they should not trust in their own righteousness, as the kings of the earth do, but in the righteousness of God the Son. (Kings of the earth are called nobility, pious, and even righteous. All mankind wants to be his own king and doesn’t want God reigning over him.)

John 16:8 & 10, “And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more.”

“Kiss the Son” - a humbling

“Lest he be angry” - If you will hold on to your pride and not humble Yourself to Him in repentance, He will be angry. He is not “angry” with His believers, His saints, but with the unrepentant sinners.

“And ye perish from the way” - Judgment for those who will not repent, turn from their wicked ways and unto Him and His righteousness.

“When his wrath is kindled but a little” - Mere lack of repentance, humbling yourself unto God, brings about judgment, but it only takes his wrath to be kindled “but a little” for you to be destroyed.

“Blessed are they that put their trust in him” - Trust in Him and not yourself. This is the faith that saves. Faith is placed in the Person of Christ, not religion, not a church, not in mankind, not in your family, or your heritage.

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