

Psalms 2

Fighting an Unwinnable War

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1 The Type and Shadow

Young David was called out from the bottom of his family's "Totem Pole"- youngest of 8 to be anointed by the Prophet Samuel to be God's chosen King over God's people in the Old Testament. (1 Samuel 16:1-12)

David's inauguration was surely challenged by the family of Saul, The administration of Saul, the alliances Saul had made with other nations, people in high places, people in low places who had heard of David's religious beliefs, His families poor status as sheep herders. Many people no doubt raged. The area Kings were on high alert and were antsy and even ambitious towards perhaps defeating God's people, especially with a "Kid King".

All this is probably true or at least possibly reflective of the times to some degree. Satan is always, even since the garden of Eden, been after Christ's Kingdom, Christ's Glory, Christ's success, Christ's People(aka His bride from both ages of Old and New) and Christ himself. (Read Isaiah 14:12-14)

Isaiah 14:12-14

New American Standard Bible (NASB)

¹² "How you have fallen from heaven,
O ^[a]star of the morning, son of the dawn!
You have been cut down to the earth,
You who have weakened the nations!

¹³ "But you said in your heart,
'I will ascend to heaven;
I will raise my throne above the stars of God,
And I will sit on the mount of assembly
In the recesses of the north.

¹⁴ ‘I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;
I will make myself like the Most High.’

Isaiah 8:18 Here am I and the children the LORD has given me. We are signs and symbols in Israel from the LORD Almighty, who dwells on Mount Zion. What are the signs and symbols alluded to here? One answer from a Pastor teacher in Ireland is that “Israel is the Old Testament form of God’s church (and the church is the New Testament form of Israel”).

1. But David wrote not so much of himself as a minor character and his troubles as the “Heathen Nations” surely raged against him and his administration... David wrote by the power and direction of the Holy Spirit about Jesus Christ, THE MAJOR CHARACTER OF THE BIBLE, The MAJOR anointed PERSON of the Father, the second person of the Godhead. God Chose Him(Jesus), the Holy Spirit exposed Him, long before his earthly birth through David and all the prophets and Old Testament writers.. [Acts 4:25](#)

Who by the **Holy Spirit**, *through* the mouth of our father **David** Your servant, said, ‘Why did the Gentiles rage, And the peoples devise futile things? Was the Holy Spirit active in the lives of His people in the days of the Old Testament? There is your answer.

Now let us look at this Psalm with our eyes wide open upon Jesus and His eschatology (future events). This Psalm and honestly most of the Psalms are eschatological as they relate to Jesus who was to come. Always remember this: **ESCHATOLOGY IS REVEALING FUTURE EVENTS FROM THE TIME OF THE WRITING...IT IS NOT, REPEAT, NOT ALWAYS FUTURE EVENTS FOR US IN THE 21ST CENTURY.**

⁵ And He who sits on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” And He *said, “Write, for these words are faithful and true.”

Let’s look at Psalm 2

1. **Why are the Nations in an uproar?** Every nation, families, gentiles, as well as unbelieving Jews. That entire reject Christ are in a spiritual “uproar”.
 - Individual Total depravity (Romans 3:10-18) The “Adamic Bomb” casualties
 - The snare and power of the devil (2 Timothy 2:25-26

- They hate the law of God and His demand for Holiness (Romans 1)

They love sin (2 Timothy 3:1-3)

3 But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. ² For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, ^[a] haters of good,)

- They are of their father the devil (John 8:44) back to the seed of the serpent in all those outside of Christ.
- Is that happening today in America? Obama said we are no longer a Christian Nation and meant cried foul...but did he tell the Truth? Yes he did! We as a Nation love and celebrate our freedom to sin more than our freedom to worship God.. Examples, legalized abortion, legalized sodomy, legalized gay and lesbian marriage. God destroyed 2 cities over these sins and others.....thus how we arrived at the term Sodomy, from the city that God destroyed over those types of sinning.

...”and the peoples devising a vain thing”. Vain means worthless explain. Using God’s name worthlessly, cheaply, irreverently, as a figure of speech.

Vain thing- Shaking ones individual fist at God and His Word (Jesus) is eternal suicide yet most do it according to Jesus.

“Verse 2 The Kings of the Earth take their stand and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and His anointed”

There is and was and will be until the end of the age a worldwide spiritual conspiracy of sin against God and His Christ...but there is also even at this very hour those that go beyond spiritual sin and conspire together as to how to physically, mentally, and emotionally persecute Christians, How to weaken the Church and Her moral influence. How to attack her children in their families through anti Christian Movies, television, internet, social media and the integration of heathenism and its influence even in schooling of our children..Leaving out God and His story and his account of how the world came to be.

3. “Let us tear their fetters apart (ankle chains or chains that hold prisoners) and cast away their cords from us” ...”Do they see themselves as mighty as Samson who was able to break free from the cords that bound him”. United we

stand and divided we fall” is their slogan. Abortion , Gay and Lesbian agenda, feminist movement etc (all attacks on the family, the main place that Godly values and morals are taught) Together they will one day rally at a place as a final Battle attacking the Lord’s Church) Revelation 20:7 to physically seek to wipe out the Lord’s People, The Church. **Warning, it is extremely dangerous to mess with the Lords anointed, who is Christ and His Bride (The Two are One Flesh), Ask Saul of Tarsus. Now note the church language calling those being surrounded as Saints in (rev. 20⁷ When the thousand years (a term for the current “Mediatorial Gospel Age”) is completed, Satan will be released from his prison,⁸ and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the ^[c]seashore.⁹ And they came up on the ^[d]broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the ^[e]saints and the beloved city (The Bride), and fire came down from heaven and devoured them.¹⁰ And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and ^[f]brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.**

4. “He who sits in the heavens laughs”, The Lord scoffs at them”... Who is it that sits in the Heavens? Sitting is a posture of relaxation. It is also a Kingly posture as one who sits on the Throne. One who is confidently in charge? He is not wringing His hands but He laughs at them (an anthropomorphic description). Jesus sits and watches and controls history as the Government of the world is upon His shoulders.

5. “Then He will speak to them in his anger and terrify them with His fury” (extreme wrath). Talk about terrorism the world has never seen using weapons of which there is no defense. Hollywood imagines (A COMMON THEME) HOW THE WORLD CAN UNITE TO BEAT THIS ONE (types of a recurring “ALIEN” WHO COMES FROM OUTER SPACE AS A THREAT TO THE ENTIRE WORLD, and they combine armies and weapons and brain power and common wills to DESTROY THIS POWERFUL BEING (A type of returning Christ) FROM SPACE.... Sorry but it’s NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. God laughs as they propose and plan and practice.

6. “But as for me, I have installed my King (capitalized) upon Zion, my Holy Mountain”.

God the Father has installed HIS KING... **the secret council of God concerning (Explain Plan of God)** what many theologians call “The Covenant of Grace”

whereby He (The Trinity) has chosen His King and His Kings subjects, which are called among many names as, His citizens, His brethren, His beloveds, His Sheep, His friends, His Bride, His family, His brothers, His co-heirs, His Wheat, His Good Fish, His Pearl of Great Price, His Church, The called out Ones, His most blessed ones before the foundation of the world whose names were written into the Book of Life of the Lamb. The King protects and provides and guides His people by His Word and By His Spirit. He guards them with millions of Angels and no one can snatch them from His powerful rule and protection.

- Mount Zion at one time meant the Temple and the nation of Israel, of which the old earthly Jerusalem was the capital. In the New Testament this comes to mean the Christian church, the nation of the redeemed spiritual Israel of which the heavenly New Jerusalem is the capital.

In the other references to Zion the word refers very clearly to the heavenly Jerusalem. ([Heb. 12:22](#) and [Rev. 14:1](#).) In Revelation, John tells of the 144,000, whom he sees standing with the Lamb on Mount Zion, but in Hebrews Mount Zion is definitely applied to the heavenly Jerusalem. "You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem

7. I will surely tell of the decree of the Lord; He said to me. Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee". Quoted by Paul in (Acts 13:32-33) Paul validates these words of God written by David and the ³² ***And we preach to you the good news of the promise made to the fathers,*** ³³ ***that God has fulfilled this promise*** ^{TO} ***our children in that He raised up Jesus, as it is also written in the second Psalm, 'YOU ARE MY SON; TODAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU.'***..... ***"These are words revealed from the secret council of God held before the foundation of the world, where Paul nor David nor any human was privy or could have been privy, but by the Holy Spirit who was there, they are revealed and recorded as the Word of God the Father to God the Son in the presence of the Spirit. 'YOU ARE MY SON; TODAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN THEE.'***

8. Ask of me and I will surely give thee the Nations (Gentiles) as thine inheritance; and the very ends of the Earth as thy possession". The Promise of a people from every tribe tongue and Nation (Sorry Israel of the Flesh) Israel of the Spirit is going Global (The Great Commission).....Jes is instructed to pary for all things related to Himself and the Covenant of Grace and we see this clearly in John 17

- Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You, ² even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to ^[a]all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life. ³ This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. ⁴ I glorified You on the earth, ^[b]having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do. ⁵ Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.
- ⁶ “I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. ⁷ Now they have come to know that everything You have given Me is from You; ⁸ for the words which You gave Me I have given to them; and they received *them* and truly understood that I came forth from You, and they believed that You sent Me. ⁹ I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours; ¹⁰ and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them.
- Was it answered?? Yes Praise God!!

Revelation 5:9

And they *sang a **new song**, saying, “Worthy are you to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood *men* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

Revelation 14:3 (Who is the 144,00)

And they *sang a **new song** before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders; and no one could learn the **song** except the one hundred and forty-four thousand who had been purchased from the earth. Interpretation; These are (Believers from the ministry of the Prophets to and of the 12 tribes of Israel of the Old Testament Age+ Believers from the Ministry of the 12 Apostles of the New Testament age x 1,000 (representing a fullness of times and peoples x 144 = the Elect (purchased by Christ) = **144,000 represents the millions He was given and saved on the Cross.**

Listen to this a fresh: **Ephesians 2:19-21**¹⁹ **So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household,**²⁰ **having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner *stone*,**²¹ **in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord**

9. "Thou shall break them with a rod of iron; thou shall shatter them like earthenware". (Or pottery) Christ shall ultimately shatter the enemies of Himself and His Wife and even unearth (at the resurrection of the dead "Goats"/ Matthew 25:31-42) those reprobates that did evil things unto Him and His Bride throughout all generations. Death will not save those who die outside of Christ Jesus. Many of them receive the first fruits of the punishments they have earned by God even in this life... "There is a sin that leads to death. Also, there is a way that seems right to a man but in the end it leads to destruction...also. **Not so the wicked for they are like chaff which the wind blows away.** Remember who controls the wind... "What manner of [Matthew 8:27](#)

The men were amazed, and said, "What kind of a man is this, that even the **winds** and the sea obey Him?"

- Some think this may also apply to each of His elect who through the work of the Spirit and The Gospel breaks down the Old Wall of Pride and Self Righteousness leaving each of His People with a broken and contrite spirit....But I believe this passage is speaking of the way God punishes or shall punish His enemies. God disciplines those He loves and they are not destined to feel His wrath but those outside of Christ are in eternal trouble. The Fear of God is the beginning of wisdom. There is a difference in Godly discipline and wrathful punishment. This is one reason we have a ministry at the Boys Home where parents often have not known the difference.

10. "Now therefore O Kings, show discernment; take warning O Judges of the Earth." This is a warning to those in High Places who have power to slow or prevent the Gospel in their jurisdictions, to punish those who bring GOOD NEWS, who steer many to do wrong by their examples of immorality, who lead others astray, who are unjust to the needy and the poor. This is a warning and yet a plea to them to Get Right with God through Jesus, The only way (John 14:6). We are told

that “you cannot legislate morality, but many are busy legislating immorality, and there will be a high price to pay.

11. “Worship the Lord with reverence and rejoice with trembling”. We are admonished to always remember whose child we are but also remember that our Savior is the King of the Universe, King of all Kings. As Jesus said in [Luke 12:5](#)

But I will warn you whom to **fear: fear** the One who, after He has killed, has authority to cast into hell; yes, I tell you, **fear Him!**

Hopefully we do that here bowing before the Lord kneeling at the beginning of our Worship time each Lord’s Day as we honor Him as GOD and us as sinners saved by HIS Grace.

12. “Do homage to the Son, lest He become angry and you perish in the way, for His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

- KJV reads- “Kiss the Son”. A kiss by nature should describe the affection given to someone you love. Someone you have a personal relationship with. Many walk around with a false sense of security saying peace, peace, when there is no peace”. The only way that God has ordained to have peace with Him is to have peace with His Son. Judas kissed Jesus but was found to be a traitor and an enemy of God. God knows the hearts of all men and needs not any to testify²³ Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name, observing His signs which He was doing.²⁴ But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, for He knew all men,²⁵ and because He did not need anyone to testify concerning man, for He Himself knew what was in man.

Will you serve Him to the end..at the end..if that should come on your and my watch?

In closing

7 young musicians, Seven representing to me God’s perfect number and fullness of His Elect, 7 Young Musicians of Neither Jew nor Greek, neither

male nor female, representing to me His faithful persecuted Church. have inspired me through a music video on youtube.

Young people, I want to encourage you to Keep on Trusting and Serving Jesus in season and out of season..in safety and in danger.....Until the Lord returns or you return to Him first. Times may get rough, Churches may become scarce and empty..the enemy may await outside for your very lives.....In this video I see these committed young people doing more than singing a song. Listen to the Lyrics afresh, Listen to the woes of the chorus...listen to the dangers involved... Be strong and Brave and Trust in the Lord and His Power and greatness...no matter what may come of it. The Nations may Rage and do rage even now as God has prophesied to us in Psalms 2. Let the warnings of Martin Luther of whom the Nations did rage against in his day, encourage you from his song written in 1529 and still playing some 484 years later.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vT6HQ1QaU4>

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