

## **“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 (בָּ *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?*