

## A Royal Psalm – Psalm Two

*A look at Davidic Hope – who is Christ the LORD*

### Seeing and Understanding – an exposition

1. The Psalmist’s Investigation v.1-3
  - a. Why the world-wide rebellion
    - i. By the many and the mighty v.1-2a
    - ii. To attack Yahweh and his anointed v.2b
    - iii. Seen in their audacious proposal v.3
      1. “We want freedom”!
2. The LORD’S Indignation v.4-6
  - a. No serious threat
    - i. Laugh of mockery v.4
      1. sits in the heavens
    - ii. Utterance of displeasure v.5
      1. wrath, fury and the terrified
    - iii. Act of disclosure v.6
      1. “I” is emphatic
      2. “set” installed, enthroned; opp. of v.2
      3. Place (my holy place) and Person (my King)
      4. 2 Samuel 7:13ff & the Davidic Covenant
3. The Psalmist’s Declaration v.7-9
  - a. It’s all about the Messianic King
    - i. The Decree v.7
      1. Quotes 2 Samuel 7:14ff
      2. The ceremony of crowning the King
      3. “begotten” = the moment the king assumed his throne

- ii. The Dominion v.8
  - 1. the ends of the Earth / all the nations
- iii. The Domination v.9
  - 1. “Break” / “Rule” (cf. N.T. use; Rev.2:27; 12:5; 19:15; see also 2Corinthians 10:3ff; Lev.27:32; Eze.20:37)

#### 4. The Psalmist’s Invitation v.10-12

- i. an offering of hope – Submission
- ii. Commands
  - 1. Serve the LORD with fear
  - 2. Rejoice with trembling
  - 3. Kiss the Son
- iii. Warning
  - 1. Angry / wrath = perish
  - 2. quickly kindled = no warning
- iv. Promise
  - 1. Blessed are all who take refuge in Him

### **Sharing and Responding – an application**

#### **Who is this Psalm about?**

Original poet - King David

Pre-exilic times

Successors of King David – Matt.1:6-11 (see 2Ki.8:19)

Post-exilic times – Matt.1:12-17

After the Cross

Acts 4:23-33; 13:26-33 = resurrected Christ

Rev.12:5; 19:15 = reigning Christ

Rev.2:26,27 = & his victorious followers

## How can we apply this Psalm

- ☞ What does it mean to take refuge in Christ?
- ☞ How do the commands look for us?
  - ☞ Serve the LORD with fear
  - ☞ Rejoice with trembling
  - ☞ Kiss the Son
- ☞ How do the Great Commission and Ps.2 relate to one another? (see also Daniel 7:13,14)
- ☞ For your evangelistic efforts tell people that *there is no refuge from Him. There is only refuge in Him.*