

Songs of the King | “The Promised King”

Psalm 45

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Psalm 44:23-26

“Awake! Why are you sleeping, O LORD? Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever! Why do you hide your face? Why do you forget our affliction and oppression? For our soul is bowed down to the dust; our belly clings to the ground. Rise up; come to our help! Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love!”

Two questions to keep in mind as we move through this passage:

- 1) Does your heart overflow with joy because of King Jesus? (v. 1)
- 2) Do you desire for the nations to praise King Jesus? (v. 16-17)

Main Ideas: Rejoice at knowing King Jesus as his bride and desire to tell the world about him.

I. KNOW THE PROMISED KING (2-9)

A. He is a blessed King (2)

B. He is a mighty King (3)

Rev. 19:11-16 “Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.”

C. He is a victorious King (4-5)

D. He is an eternal King (6)

“This paradox is consistent with the incarnation, but mystifying in any other context. It is an example of Old Testament language bursting its banks, to demand a more than human fulfillment.” (Kidner)

Heb. 1:8-9 “But of the Son he says, ‘Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.’”

E. He is an anointed King (7)

F. He is an excellent King (8-9)

II. REJOICE AT BEING HIS BRIDE (10-15)

A. Look to the King alone (10-12)

Ph. 3:8, “Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.”

B. Be joyful and glad (13-15)