Psalm

2 – King Jesus

God

is King over all (Genesis 1-2)

- He made the world and everything in it.
- He made humans in his image to take care of (have dominion over the earth).

God

is King but Israel wanted to be like the other nations around them.

• Israel rejected God as King.

When

[the Israelites] said, "Give us a king to judge us," Samuel considered their demand wrong, so he prayed to the

LORD.

But the Lord

told him, "Listen to the people and everything they say to you. They have not rejected you; *they*

have rejected me as their king."

1 Sam 8:6-7

- Saul was the first faulty king.
- David was chosen by God to be the new (but still imperfect) King. God covenanted with David to establish David's kingdom forever.

Your

house and kingdom will endure before me forever, and your throne will be established forever. 2 Samuel 7:16

God

is King throughout the Old Testament

- Isaiah 2, 9:6-7, 11, 40, 44...
- Daniel 2, 7

• The Promise of new covenant with God's people, Jeremiah 31:31-34

Jesus

is King

- crucified,

resurrected (kingdom inaugurated), ascended

- Came to reign Matthew 4:17
- Is reigning Ephesians 1:20-21
- Will reign forever Revelation 19

Jesus

as my friend provides comfort and companionship in life's turmoil.

Jesus

as The King provides security, trust, and hope in the world's chaos and confusion.

Vs

1-3 The world's continual mutiny against God

Vs 1

- rage, conspiracy, anger, plots

How do

they plot? In vain.

Why do the Gentiles rage and the peoples plot futile things? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers assemble together against the Lord and against his Messiah. Acts 4:25-26

Vs

4-6 God's response to the foolishness of the world

"The

Lord neither negotiates with rebels, nor adjusts himself to suit their demands, but simply reaffirms his royal plan." Geoffrey Grogan

Imagery

in this poem:

- He is enthroned! He sits on a throne, he is not engaged in battling small earthly kings. His kingdom is established.
- He makes a mockery of sin and pride. His response shows his authority, not relational distance. He rules over all. He does not abide scoffers of his kingdom.

Are you lamenting the difficulty of life? Then ready yourself to receive his love and care.

Are you mocking his rule over creation? Then brace yourself to receive his rebuke.

Vs 6

Where is God enthroned? On the mountain of Zion. What does this mean? He is already accomplished with the enemy wanted to prevent!

Vs

7-9 God's declaration of the Son

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2 is quoted seven times in the NT; six of those are in these two verses: Acts 13:33, Hebrews 1:5, Hebrews 5:5, Revelation 2:26-27, Revelation 12:5, Revelation 19:15

This

is the Lord's decree: Christ comes forward as the enthroned one.

Jesus

is the holy Son of God (John 3:16).

He conquered

death which proved his reign over all (1 Corinthians 15:5, Revelation 1:18).

He will

return to judge the living and the dead (2 Timothy 4:1).

Vs 8

The ends of the earth belong to Jesus.

All the

nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord, they will bring glory to your name. Ps 86:9

But

you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

After

this I looked, and there was a vast multitude from every nation, tribe, people, and language, which no one could number, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.

Revelation 7:9

Vs 9

Imagery: the raging nations are merely breakable pottery compared to the rule and reign of God

This

is a reminder of Chad's message last week – **Salvation** through Jesus alone is needed because judgment is coming.

Vs

10 - 12 Submit to the King and be blessed

- Be wise, receive instruction the Scriptures instruct us for wise living
- Serve God with reverence and awe.
- Rejoice with trembling. worship God with joy so thoroughly that you tremble with adoration

The

fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and discipline. Proverbs 1:7

This

Psalm ends with a promise: All who take refuge in him are happy (blessed): a right relationship with the King.