

## A Conquering King

### Psalm 2

<sup>1</sup> *Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain?*

<sup>2</sup> *The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.*

<sup>3</sup> *“Let us break their chains,” they say, “and throw off their fetters.”*

<sup>4</sup> *The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them.*

<sup>5</sup> *Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,*

<sup>6</sup> *“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill.”*

<sup>7</sup> *I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father.*

<sup>8</sup> *Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.*

<sup>9</sup> *You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery.”*

<sup>10</sup> *Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.*

<sup>11</sup> *Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling.*

<sup>12</sup> *Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.*

## I. Introduction

1. An openly messianic Psalm
2. One of the most quoted Psalms in the New Testament
3. An introductory Psalm
4. Originally joined to Psalm 1 – Psalm 2 interprets Psalm 1

## II. Dialog of the Three Speakers in Psalm 2

1. The narrator speaks concerning evil men (vv. 1-3)
  - a. Rebellion of Psalm 1 is played out
2. God the Father replies
  - a. He laughs
  - b. Human rebellion is a natural result of sin but it is futile and foolish
3. The Son speaks
4. The Father speaks to the Son
5. The narrator speaks to the evil kings and rulers (all people of the earth qualify)

## III. Closing

1. The way we gain the blessedness of Psalm 1 is through taking refuge in the Messiah  
**Jesus is the only safe refuge.**