



Israel's Greatest Hits

Forecast for a Rebellious World

Psalms 2

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1. Understand _____ (vv.1-3)

1 Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? **2** The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, **3** "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us." **4** He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. **5** Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, **6** "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill." **7** I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you. **8** Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. **9** You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." **10** Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. **11** Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. **12** Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

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2. Consider _____ (vv.4-9)

3. Make _____ (vv.10-12)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Judges 21:25** and **John 3:18-20**. Why is living without deference to God's authority such a universally attractive plan for non-Christians? How is that objective continually reinforced in our modern culture?
2. Read **Proverbs 16:2, 25** and **Proverbs 3:5-8**. How did you come to recognize that ignoring, rejecting or fighting Christ's lordship was a losing proposition?
3. Read **2 Peter 3:9-13**. What kind of impact does reading this profound and cataclysmic forecast have on your priorities and values?
4. Read **Psalms 37:1-17**. How can an understanding of this Psalm keep you from sin when people ridicule, mock, oppose, or attack you because of your alliance with Christ and your promotion of his word?
5. Read **2 Corinthians 13:5**. What convincing evidence is there that you are trusting in, and rightly related to God's Messiah?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Though the Bible) for schedule prompts.

April 22nd

2Sam.4-6 & Lk.18:18-43

April 23rd

2Sam.7-9 & Lk.19:1-28

April 24th

2Sam.10-12 & Lk.19:29-48

April 25th

2Sam.13-14 & Lk.20:1-26

April 26th

2Sam.15-16 & Lk.20:27-47

April 27th

2Sam.17-18 & Lk.21:1-19

April 28th

2Sam.19-20 & Lk.21:20-38

April 29th

2Sam.21-22 & Lk.22:1-30

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

CD # 0601 – ***Being Rightly Concerned About Real Faith***

CD # 0651 – ***A Day of Reckoning: Understanding God's Judgment***

CD # 0703 – ***Motivated by a Fear of Being Phony***

CD # 1005 – ***Evangelistic Opposition: How to Respond to Objections***

CD # 0834 – ***No Excuses About the Man in the Jungle***

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Beckwith, Frank & Greg Koukl. ***Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air***. Baker Books, 1998.

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