
Opening Remarks:

Reading the Text:

Psalm 110:1-7 A Psalm of David. The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool." (2) The LORD sends forth from Zion your mighty scepter. Rule in the midst of your enemies! (3) Your people will offer themselves freely on the day of your power, in holy garments; from the womb of the morning, the dew of your youth will be yours. (4) The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek." (5) The Lord is at your right hand; he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath. (6) He will execute judgment among the nations, filling them with corpses; he will shatter chiefs over the wide earth. (7) He will drink from the brook by the way; therefore he will lift up his head.

Points of Observation:

Observation 1: The Nature of the Psalm

Five Points of Interest

It is Davidic

It is Prophetic

It is Historical

It is Royal

It is Messianic

Observation 2: The Structure of the Psalm

Stanza/Oracle 1: The Powerful King

Promise - v.1

Fulfillment - vs.2-3

Stanza/Oracle 2: The Priestly King

Promise - v.4

Fulfillment - vs.5-7

Observation 3: The Importance of the Psalm

Importance in the Ministry of Jesus

See Matt 22:44, 26:64, Mark 12:36, 14:62, 16:19, Luke 20:42-44, 22:69

Importance in the Teaching of the Apostles

See Acts 2:34-35, Rom 8:34, 1Cor 15:25, Eph 1:20, col 3:1, Heb 1:3, 13, 5:6, 7:17, 21, 8:1, 10:12-13, 12:2

Importance in the Living of the Church

See Rev 1:5, 5:1-14, 16:12-16, 17:1-18, 19:11-21, 21:22-27, 22:20

Observation 4: The Usefulness of the Psalm

Use 1: The church must observe and embrace the truth that the kingship of Christ is not in question, but is in fact a divinely established reality.

Use 2: Christ has received his kingship on the basis of promises from his Father, the LORD, who will not change his mind guaranteeing for all who have placed their hope in this powerful and priestly King that they will in no way be disappointed.

Use 3: The church must ever comfort herself with the thought of her savior King having been placed in a position of unrivaled supremacy over all opposition.

Use 4: The church, through her faithful proclamation of the gospel, extends the reach of this King's rule in the hearts of men won in the midst of the enemies camp and strongholds.

Use 5: Holding the truth of the King's infinite authority close to her heart, the church takes her place as the force for world evangelization for the spread of the fame of her great King.

Use 6: The church is the numerous army of Christ, consisting of willing warriors, who are dressed to do battle in the righteousness of their King alone.

Use 7: Though Christ, in his Kingship may and in fact does, delay the full expression of his wrath presently, giving the nations, rulers and peoples time to repent, on the day of the unleashing of his wrath there will be none who escape his fury.

Use 8: In this present day, Christ the King ever presses on toward victory, unhindered by weariness, thirst or discouragement, every refreshed in the streams of the LORD's provision.