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How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the herald, who proclaims peace, who brings news of good things, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!" (Isaiah 52:7, quoted in Romans 10:15).

- Why is the kingship of God, and particularly the kingship of Jesus so important?
- What does **Psalm 2** say about the Anointed One, the Son?
 - a. What do kings of earth do with Him? (1-3)
 - b. What does the Lord do with them? (4-5)
 - c. What has the Lord done? (6)
 - d. What should kings do before the Son? (10-12).
- What does **Psalm 110** say about David's Lord?
 - a. What did the LORD say to David's Lord? (1,4)
 - b. What will this Lord of David do? (5-7)
- What does **Daniel 7:13-14** say about the One like a son of man?
 - a. What was he given? (14a)
 - b. Over whom was this power given? (14b)
 - c. How lasting is His rule (14c)?
- What do these New Testament passages affirm about the lordship of Jesus?
 - a. Colossians 1:13
 - b. Revelation 19:11-16

The Old Testament shows that God planned kings.

- From Abraham and Sarai onward, Genesis 17:6,16.
- From the son Judah, Genesis 49:10.
- From the Law of Moses onward, Deuteronomy 17:14-20.
- From the son of David, 2Samuel 7:12-13.
- Throughout the Prophets, Isaiah 9:6-7; Ezekiel 34:22-24.

In the preaching of the Apostles, the kingship of Jesus was foundational to the gospel.

- Peter, Acts 2:14-36.
- Paul, Acts 13:20-37

The gospel is not a bilateral covenant, but rather a unilateral covenant where King Jesus has complete and sole authority. It is *inherent*, in that He is God and Creator, and it is delegated, because His Father gave it to Him (c.f. Matthew 28:19-20).

- **Ephesians 1:20-23** | God "exercised this power in Christ by raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens—**far above every ruler and authority, power and dominion, and every title given, not only in this age but also in the one to come.** And he subjected **everything** under his feet and appointed him as **head over everything** for the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way."
- **Colossians 1:15-18** | "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn **over all** creation. For everything was created by him, in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through him **and for him**. He is before all things, and by him all things hold together. He is

also the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that **he might come to have first place in everything**. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile everything to himself, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.”

Psalm 2 is from one of the categories, or types of psalms, called Royal Psalms. In it, the psalmists make use of bold regal imagery of thrones, coronations, and processions. A royal psalm is usually written about a king or seeking to depict God as king. When quoted or referred to in the New Testament, Psalm 2 is understood to be Messianic (cf. Heb. 1:5; 5:5, i.e., a son, cf. Ps. 1:7). It is used by both Peter (Acts 4:25-26) and Paul (Acts 13:33) in the same way which we discuss below.

Note how important this Psalm was to the Apostles’ preaching and teaching.

1. When the Sanhedrin threatened them, Peter and John returned to fellow saints and prayed and to God in the prayer, quoted Psalm 2. They saw the threat from the Jewish leaders to be like the Wicked threat in the Davidic Psalm and so interpreted it. By rejecting Jesus as King, they had rejected Yahweh as King (29-30).
 - a. *Yielding to the authority of anything other than Jesus – is rejecting God.*
 - b. 2John 7-9 | “Many deceivers have gone out into the world; they do not confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist. Watch yourselves so that you don’t lose what we have worked for, but that you may receive a full reward. Anyone who does not remain in Christ’s teaching but goes beyond it does not have God. The one who remains in that teaching, this one has both the Father and the Son.”
2. When Paul used this Psalm in his sermon (Acts 13) in Pisidian Antioch, he said,
 - a. “After removing [Saul], [God] raised up David as their king and testified about him, ‘I have found David the son of Jesse to be a man after my own heart, who will carry out all my will.’ 23 “From this man’s descendants, as he promised, God brought to Israel **the Savior, Jesus...** “Brothers and sisters, children of Abraham’s race, and those among you who fear God, it is to us that the word of this salvation has been sent. Since the residents of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize him..., they have fulfilled their words by condemning him... When they had carried out all that had been written about him, they took him down from the tree and put him in a tomb. But God raised him from the dead, and he appeared for many days to those who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to the people. And we ourselves proclaim to you the good news of the promise that was made to our ancestors. God has fulfilled this for us, their children, by raising up Jesus, as it is written in the second Psalm: You are my Son; today I have begotten You {NASB}. As to his raising him from the dead, never to return to decay, he has spoken in this way, ***I will give you the holy and sure promises of David...*** Therefore, let it be known to you, brothers and sisters, that through this man forgiveness of sins is being proclaimed to you. Everyone who believes is justified through him from everything that you could not be justified from through the law of Moses.

It will be impossible to receive the blessings of Jesus the Savior without yielding to Jesus the King.

This Psalm demonstrates what will happen to those who reject the Son, if they will not Kiss the Son. But to those who do, there will be gospel blessing.