

PSALM 2: Jehovah and His Anointed

THE POINT: Christians may be confident of the final victory of God's kingdom, for God has already installed his designated King, Jesus Christ, and we await the assured and open manifestation of his rule.

I. THE NATIONS AND RULERS OF THE EARTH DISPLAY HOSTILITY TOWARD JEHOVAH AND HIS KINGDOM, 2:1-3

1. *The nations of earth are engaged in a vain rage, 1*

The peoples of the earth are united in their opposition to God and his rule over humanity. It is vain because it has no hope of success.

2. *The kings and rulers of the nations cooperate fully in this rage, which is directed against Jehovah and his designated King, 2*

3. *The nations and rulers reject God's rule over them, 3*

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II. JEHOVAH IS NOT THREATENED BY THIS OPPOSITION, 2:4-6

1. *God in his sovereignty reacts with bemused scorn, 4*

2. *God responds with righteous fury, 5*

3. *God has already installed his designated King, 6*

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III. JEHOVAH'S CHOSEN KING HAS BEEN ASSURED OF HIS FUTURE RULE, 2:7-9

1. *He has been certified as God's Son by his resurrection, 7*

2. *He has been promised universal rule, 8*

3. *He has been promised absolute rule, 9*

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IV. THE COURSE OF WISDOM IS TO SUBMIT TO JEHOVAH'S DESIGNATED KING, 2:10-12

1. *To submit is to exercise discernment and due heed, 10*

2. *To submit is to worship and rejoice with reverent fear, 11*
3. *To submit is to honor the Son, 12*

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