

The Rule of God’s Anointed

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Scene 1: Man’s Rebellion (1-3)

- People will not overthrow God’s purposes, so the faithful trust in the Lord.

Psalms 2:1-3, “Why do the nations rage, and the peoples meditate a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Jehovah, and against his anointed, (saying), Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their cords from us.”

- The Psalmist clearly indicates in these opening rhetorical questions that their plotting and scheming are a vain thing (riq – reek). A single word that means a worthless thing; to no purpose; empty.
- Psalms 94:16-19
  - The gospel versus the wisdom of men.  
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
  - False doctrines versus truth. John 8:31-32

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Vain attempts to fight against God ...

- Genesis 3 - Satan
- Genesis 6 - wicked men
- Genesis 11 - Babel
- Genesis 37 - 10 brothers
- Exodus 7-14 - Pharaoh

- Esther 3-7 - Haman’s plot
- \* Matthew 26 - Jews plot
- Romans 9 - Jewish rejection
- Revelation - Roman persecution

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- READ: Psalms 94:20-23
  - Calls to repent and return.
  - Judgment.
    - Jerusalem. Isaiah 1:21-26; Matthew 23:38
    - Rome. Revelation 19:15-21
    - America? Romans 2:1-3 (1:18-32)

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- God is sovereign – His will and purposes cannot be thwarted – (Psalms 11:4; 37:13; 68:33; 115:3; Isaiah 40:22; 57:15; 66:1; Acts 5:38,39; Galatians 6:7-9; Jude 18; 2 Peter 3:3-10).
- Historically – all who have rejected God’s will have perished – (Genesis 6, 7; Exodus 14:27-31; 2 Peter 2:4-8; 3:6-8; Matthew 24)

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- The atheist / humanist. Psalms 14:1; 53:1; Romans 1:28
- The immoral / ungodly. Romans 1:18-32; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 5:19-21; Revelation 21:8
- False teachers / deceived. 2 Peter 2:18-20; 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12
- Those rejecting His authority. Matthew 7:21-23; 2 John 9; Jude 8

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Scene 2: God’s Reply (4-6)

- **Jesus Christ rules as King over friend and foe.**  
Psalms 2:6, “Yet I have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.”
- Psalms 110:1-3
- Despite man’s attempt to withstand God’s purpose, He would “set” (coronate / crown / install) His King in Zion. (Daniel 2:44,45; Matthew 16:18; Matthew 28:18; Joel 2:32; Galatians 4:26; Hebrews 12:22; Philippians 3:20; Revelation 3:12; 21:2,10)

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Scene 3: The Divine Plan (7-9)

• God has revealed His plan!

Psalms 2:7-9, “I will tell of the decree: Jehovah said unto me, Thou art my son: this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I will give (thee) the nations for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

➤ Acts 4:23–31

- “Thou art my Son!” (Matthew 3:17; 8:29; 16:16; 17:5; Acts 8:37; 13:33; Romans 1:4. Hebrews 1:5; 3:6; 5:5, 8)
- His complete authority demands our allegiance. Luke 6:46
- Bible authority is Christ’s authority. Colossians 3:17

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