

Summer!

- VBS - June 1-5
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Psalm 2:1-2

*Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?*

**The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his
Anointed, saying,**

Psalm 2:3-4

*“Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us.”*

**He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.**

Psalm 2:5-7

*He will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, “As for me, I
have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.”*

**I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to
me, “You are my Son; today I have
begotten you.**

Psalm 2:8-9

*Ask of me, and I will make the nations
your heritage, and the ends of the earth
your possession.*

**You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's
vessel.”**

Psalm 2:10-11

Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

**Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.**

Psalm 2:12

*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.

Today's Sermon: From Rebellion to Refuge

Why do the *nations* rage
and the *peoples* plot [meditate] in vain?

- Psalm 2:1

Psalm 2:2-3

The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his
Anointed [Messiah], saying,
“Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us.”

From Rebellion to Refuge

1. The Nations Rebel

- Rage; Desire Total 'Freedom'
- "For all have sinned..."

*Where is this true of me? Of our world?

Psalm 2:4-6

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the Lord holds them in derision.

Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

“As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill.”

From Rebellion to Refuge

1. The Nations Rebel

2. God's Sovereignty Subdues

- Opposes the Proud
- Stabilizes the Chaos
- Establishes His King

Psalm 2:7

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with a rod of iron and dash them in
pieces like a potter's vessel.”

From Rebellion to Refuge

1. The Nations Rebel

2. God's Sovereignty Subdues

3. God's Son Reigns

- Judgment, Shepherding
- Fulfilled in Jesus Christ

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From Rebellion to Refuge

1. The Nations Rebel
2. God's Sovereignty Subdues
3. God's Song Reigns
4. God's Servants Respond
 - Take Refuge, Serve, Rejoice

Acts 4:23-24a

When [Peter and John] were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said,

Acts 4:24b-25a

“Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,

Acts 4:25b-26

““Why did the Gentiles rage,
and the peoples plot in vain?

The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers were gathered together,
against the Lord and against his
Anointed’—

Acts 4:27-28

for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place.

Acts 4:29-30

Now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.”

Acts 4:31

And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

Acts 13:32-33

And we bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus, as also it is written in the second Psalm, “‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you.’”

The Future of the Church

Rage and Rebellion?

-OR-

Prayer and Proclamation?