

## Psalm 110 - (pt. 2) - Intercession and Armageddon

Intro – Great Commission and Ascension. The Ascension doesn't get the same attention as other events Matt. 28:18-“All authority in.....has been given to Me.” Jesus claims all authority, gives a commission and ascends to His throne to exercise that authority. Ps 110 pre-records this glorious event. Psalm 110 is the most quoted and referenced OT passage in the NT – over 30+ times! (the middle middle of Bible) This Psalm is a highpoint in prophecy about The Christ and one in which we should pay careful attention. And Ps. 110 doesn't present a “milquetoast messiah”. The JESUS of scripture is often different than the “jesus” of popular sermons (beware). Ps 110 shows Jesus as HE is - King of kings and Lord of lords.

Review - This Psalm starts with God talking to God – The Father promises The Son some things

- “Sit at My right Hand” Jesus ascended to the place of Power it is a relaxed reign – sits
- “Enemies at footstool” “rule in midst of enemies” Jesus rules over rebels/unrepentant
- Strong scepter - no power can stop Christ, His gospel (success of G Commission) or His coming

While He is reigning He is interceding (praying) and He is coming! Odd title- Intercession & Armageddon

### INTERCESSION

1. Ps. 110:4 - the Psalm begins with God talking to God. Here in vs. 4 God swears to God.
  - a. God takes an oath witnesses take an oath/Presidential oath on Bible-higher auth.
    - i. no one greater for God to swear by so He swears by Himself (Heb. 6:13)
  - b. God swears and God cannot lie (Titus 1:2) ironclad double guarantee
2. “And will not change His mind” The Father swears to the Son and it is unalterable
  - a. God doesn't lie and there is no loophole. This oath is a promised eternal reality
    - i. Triple guarantee oath/not lie/won't change
3. “You are priest forever”
  - a. God the Father promises God the Son a Priesthood and Eternal Priesthood
  - b. The Son of God would be the only, and eternal, “go between” between God and men
  - c. A priest represents people before God sacrifices and supplications
  - d. The Father swears that no one will come to Him except through His Son the Priest
    - i. 1 Timothy 2:5 Acts 4:12 John 14:6 (Aaron's rod that budded)
4. According to the order of Melchizedek (priesthood of higher order than Aaron)
  - a. Mel is a mysterious OT figure. King of Salem and Priest of the Most High God
  - b. Without genealogy Mel was constant King and perpetual Priest (no end)
    - i. Mel is a fitting type and pre-figure of Christ (if not Christ Himself)
5. Jesus is an eternal King with and eternal Priesthood with promised success on God's oath
  - a. This is great news for us! Your salvation is as good as the Priest that got it for you
  - b. Your salvation will last as long as your Priests work & endure only while your King rules
  - c. Don't trust in Popes – they come and go. Denominations don't endure, pastors fail and fall, preachers promise but don't deliver, personal decisions are precarious at best...but Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today & forever. He and His work endure forever!

6. The problem with earthly priest is they don't last/work doesn't endure. Not so with Jesus Christ
  - a. Heb. 5:9            Heb. 7:21-28 – oath, guarantee, permanent, save forever, once
7. Part of Jesus' continuing work in His office as High Priest is that He prays for us
  - a. He is sitting at the right hand (but not just sitting) He reigns & He prays to the Father
    - i. Heb. 7:25            Rom. 8:33-34            1 John 2:1 – an Advocate with the Father
  - b. Do you ever wonder if you will make it to the end of your faith? Can I endure and fight the good fight...what if I lose? What about my besetting sins? What about my failure?
  - c. We will make it to the end of our faith because Jesus has prayed, and is praying, for us!
    - i. Consider the difference between Peter and Judas - one betrayed for 30 pcs of silver, the other denied 3 times with an oath/curses. What is the difference?
  - d. Jesus told Judas after his deceitful "not I?" - "...you have said it yourself" (Matt. 26:25)
    - i. "gave it to Judas...Satan entered...what you do, do quickly" (John 13:26-27)
  - e. Jesus told Peter - Luke 22:31-32 "...Satan has asked... I have prayed...when you return
  - f. What made the difference between Peter and Judas? JESUS! Peter had a Priest! An Effectual Priest on the oath of God that His work works, that His sacrifice saves, His prayers are answered, His Advocacy is heard, His intercession is effectual.
  - g. Do you have such a Priest today?            Powerful/Perpetual/Effectual

### ARMAGEDDON

Ps. 110:5-7 - Armageddon and the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of the King Priest.            The Consummation of the ages

- 110:5-6 gets a little gory.            Jesus is not a milquetoast messiah or a puny priest
  - Melchizedek was King of Righteousness / Peace – introduced after slaughter of kings
  - Jesus is a King Priest in this same order            Perpetual and Powerful
- God promises His Son Jesus that:
  - That He is Lord
  - That He will have a day of wrath in which He will shatter kings (Is. 24:21-23; Rev. 17:14)
  - Jesus will judge the nations (Matt. 25:31ff)
  - Jesus will fill the nations with corpses
- This has reference to our LORD's 2<sup>nd</sup> coming and the battle of Armageddon
  - Rev. 19:11-21            Jesus is the Righteous and Just Judge
  - There is a day for the wrath of the Lamb            Rev. 6:15-17
    - Flee from the wrath of the Lamb to the sacrifice of the Lamb!
      - Jesus is Priest            Jesus is the Sacrifice            Jesus is the Advocate
- 110:7 indicates that this Powerful Perpetual King Priest will be present in this earth
  - His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives and it will split apart - Zech. 14:4
  - He will drink from the brook by the wayside
  - Jesus drank with His disciples before He left and He will drink with us when He returns
  - Jesus left and ascended into heaven bodily and He will come back in the same way He left - Acts 1:11            In the clouds and bodily            Anyone thirsty?
  - We will have peace when the King of Peace comes.            Look up for our redemption...