

Reading Through Psalm - My Thoughts and Comments

Psalm 2: 1-2; 10-11

New International Version

Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against the Anointed One.

Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear and rejoice with trembling.

The Message

Why the big noise, nations? Why the mean plots, peoples?

Earth-leaders push for position, Demagogues and delegates meet for summit talks, The God-deniers, the Messiah-defiers: "Let's get free of God!

So, rebel-kings, use your heads; Upstart-judges, learn your lesson:

Worship God in adoring embrace, Celebrate in trembling awe. Kiss Messiah!

I can only think that many nations, and many in these nations, do conspire or plot when they refuse, reject, or rebel against God. I can honestly say that I have been one of these many - even after knowing Jesus I rebelled against him because I was angry with him. Without going into too much detail, my anger (at God) brought grief to others and most of all to the Holy Spirit. Even this rebellion, God was faithful and forgiving - his promise to "forgive our sins and to cleanse of all unrighteousness" stood true in my case and holds true for all those who willingly and sincerely ask for forgiveness.

The beauty of our Lord is that our sin is forgotten and our relationship with God is "reconciled" or made in good-standing as a result. Yes, we continue to sin but, with the Lord's presence in our lives and our desire to know God, the sins become fewer in number and our lives become more like Jesus.

(I like that fact the God's love is unconditional.

Like a stream that never stops flowing, God's love sustains us, nourishes us, and even restores

us - I know that no sin is too great for God's work and that no person is too small for God to show his mercy and his love!)

